

# **New Salem Broadband Beta Pilot-Hotspot Guidelines**

## **New Salem Hotspot**

Our beta test network contains a wireless hotspot for use by our community. The hotspot is located at the New Salem Library. Our town's hotspot is available for use inside when the Library is open. At other hours, people may park or sit outside if they have a wireless laptop.

## **User Guidelines**

We ask that you please respect the following user guidelines when utilizing the hotspot. We reserve the right to deny users access to the hotspot if these user guidelines are violated.

- All communication using the New Salem hotspot must be appropriate, ethical, professional, and lawful.
- Unauthorized peer-to-peer file sharing of copyrighted works, including music, pictures, movies, games, and other published copyrighted materials is prohibited.
- If people are waiting to use the library's computer, limit your time to ½ hour.
- If listening to audio, use earphones – don't disturb others.
- All users of New Salem's hotspot should refrain from littering.

## **Hotspot Security**

Our Beta Test hotspot is "open," or unencrypted, so that new users can connect without having to know a password. Sending unencrypted data through a wireless system leaves it vulnerable to interception. Wi-Fi eavesdroppers can - and do - use readily available tools to access data passing over a wireless network.

We suggest you only use public hotspots for surfing the Internet. We suggest you do not conduct private or sensitive work, such as financial transactions, over our public wireless connection.

If you do have to conduct transactions at our public hotspot, enter passwords only into websites that include an SSL key. This is a symbol that looks like a key and is located on the lower right-hand corner of your web browser. It ensures that the website you are transacting with is legitimate and that data sent between you and it is encrypted with the current industry standard.