



Blackall-Tambo
Regional Council

Youth Centres Internet Policy

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1 RESOLUTION

10/01A/15

2 OBJECTIVES

To provide a safe, controlled internet service for young people in the Blackall-Tambo Region to be used for study and leisure.

3 SCOPE

All Council Employees and Volunteers who supervise at both Blackall and Tambo Youth Centres should be observant of, and attempt to monitor all internet usage at the Centres.

4 IMPLEMENTATION OF OBJECTIVES

The objective of this policy is to:

- Provide Council Employees and Volunteers which supervise at the Youth Centres with direction and guidelines to help monitor the websites visited and internet used each day.

In order to maximise Internet availability, and to ensure equitable access to all clients, the following conditions apply:

- Free internet usage for all young people between the ages of 9 – 17.
- Young people needing the internet for study will have first priority.
- Supervisors may help young people to use the internet

Additional services and conditions

- Users must not download software from the internet on to the youth centre computers however downloading is permitted onto a removable device.
- Data downloaded from the Internet may contain viruses. The Blackall and Tambo Youth Centres will not be held responsible for viruses downloaded from the internet.
- Young people may not use their own personal software on Youth Centre Computers.
- E-mail is available to young people only if they have their own personal E-mail address.
- Young people should be aware that Internet communications are not secure, and the Youth Centres are not responsible for the privacy of electronic communication.
- Intentional misuse of these facilities may result in the removal of access privileges.

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5 VISION AND PRINCIPLES

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council supports the enhancement of young people's lifestyles so that young people are able to realise their full potential through positive social, educational and recreational opportunities.

6 RELATED POLICIES AND PLANS

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Sport and Recreation Plan

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Youth Policy

7 CHANGES SINCE LAST REVISION

New Policy as of 20 January 2015 to reflect current procedures

8 RECORDS

When completed and approved the original, signed hard copy of the policy is filed in the Master File.

Electronic copies are saved in the appropriately labelled folder in InfoXpert.

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