

Permission for Internet Access for a Person Under the Age of 18 Years

In 1999, the Commonwealth government has made several changes to the Broadcasting Services Act (1992) relating to the internet, which impose several obligations upon "internet service providers" (ISPs) and "internet content hosts" (ICHs), including the following restrictions relating to persons under the age of 18 years:

ISPs will take reasonable steps to ensure that Internet access accounts ('access accounts') are not provided to persons under the age of 18 years without the consent of a parent, teacher or other responsible adult.

To the extent applicable, each Internet Content Host will take reasonable steps to ensure that content subscription accounts for content hosted by the Internet Content Host ('subscription accounts') are not provided to persons under the age of 18 years without the consent of a parent, teacher or other responsible adult.

Charles Darwin University provides a suite of electronic resources to all students, including services relating to email, the library, online education resources and management of personal details. However, in line with obligations described above, students under the age of 18 years require written consent from a parent, guardian or other responsible adult before they are granted access to the wider internet (ie, access to sites outside of the University). Access to the internet is by and large unsupervised, although it may be monitored from time to time to ensure compliance with University guidelines for acceptable use.

Guidelines and Conditions:

- 1.1 Students under the age of 18 years accessing Charles Darwin University's Network must have written parental/guardian permission.
- 1.2 Network storage areas may be reviewed at random to ensure that the resources are being used appropriately.
- 1.3 Users should not expect that files stored on the servers will always be private or confidential.
- 1.4 Internet traffic is recorded against specific User Accounts. Information recorded includes, but is not limited to, sites visited and downloads and uploads to and from the Internet.
- 1.5 Each User is responsible for the network activity of that account. If the User suspects the account has been compromised and/or used with permission, it is their responsibility to reset their password and advise IT Services on 08 8946 6600.
- 1.6 Any transmission of material that violates Territory, Federal or International legislation is prohibited and Users may face prosecution.
- 1.7 Users are obligated to report any possible security breach to IT Services on 08 8946 6600.

I, _____, parent/guardian of _____
(Full Name) (Student Name) (Student Number)

give permission for this person to have full internet access and acknowledge and understand the above conditions.

Signed _____ Dated _____

Phone Contact: _____ Address: _____