

**Croydon Methodist Circuit's Churches'
Youth Internet Access
Terms of Use**

I agree to the following conditions as I use the Internet access at this Church:

- 1 I will use this resource positively, to help people and not to harm.
- 2 I will not make financial gain or participate in gambling.
- 3 I will not access illegal information or images.
- 4 I will respect copyright and intellectual property rights.
- 5 I will not register the Church's details or contact information as part of my own registrations.
- 6 I will only store information on the Church computers in one folder named for my group. I will store any photographs within this in only one labelled folder, having gained any necessary permissions required for these images.
- 7 I will not access film clips longer than three minutes and they will be certified appropriately to the age of those viewing (please help us to stay within our monthly user subscription limits for downloads).
- 8 I will supervise any users under 18 in my care and protect them from abusive uses of information, images or contact with others. I will supply them with the Church guidelines for under 18's and inform their parents.
- 9 I understand that this facility is the property of this Church, that it can set rules and can withdraw use at any time, and will do so in any case of misuse.

Signed:

Dated:

Group:

Completed forms to be kept in the church office (in a named file on the notice board).

Croydon Methodist Circuit

e-Safety Rules

Guidelines for Internet Users under 18 years of age

These help to protect children, young people, their groups and this church by explaining how to be healthy and have fun when using the Internet, and how to prevent any harm through computer use.

Permission

- 1 You should only use the Internet resource of this Church with the permission of your group leader and the knowledge of your parents.

Your Details

- 2 You should not give out your personal details over the Internet to anyone you have not previously met or known well; in other words things like your home address, your telephone number, your school's name, your picture, or your credit card or bank details.
- 3 You should not respond to spam emails, as replies will trace your account.
- 4 You should not give your passwords to anyone, even a best friend.

Your Safety

- 5 Remember: people may not be where, who, or how old they say they are.
- 6 Never arrange to meet anyone in person you have only made contact with over the Internet without first agreeing it with your parent or carer, and get them to come along to the first meeting, which should always be in a public place.
- 7 Only MSN with people you already know in the real world and set other social networking profiles to "private", only adding a "friend" if you do actually know them.
- 8 Never do anything online that could jeopardise your education or your career, or lead you to a criminal record.

Your Happiness

- 9 Never hang around in a chat room or in a conference if someone says or writes something that makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, and always report it to your group leader.
- 10 If you see something you don't like (e.g. bad language or distasteful pictures) then move on or click 'back' and tell your group leader.
- 11 Never respond to nasty, suggestive or rude e-mails or postings, or reply to cyber-bullying: block the sender, save the evidence, and tell your group leader
- 12 Write your own messages carefully and politely, particularly as email could be forwarded to unintended readers.
- 13 Do not send anonymous messages or take part in chain letters or dubious competitions.
- 14 Don't spend time on websites that make you feel bad about yourself.
- 15 Always remember, if someone makes you an offer that seems too good to be true, it probably is.
- 16 Don't spend too much time online: have "real-world" friends and interests, too!

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Here are two good search engines that you may want to use when you are looking for information: [Superkid](#) [KidsClick](#)

The Church may exercise its right to monitor the use of the Church's computer systems, including access to web-sites, the interception of e-mail and the deletion of inappropriate materials where it believes unauthorised use may be taking place, or the system may be being used for criminal purposes or storing unauthorised or unlawful text, imagery or sound.

Croydon Methodist e-Safety Indemnity

Group Name:

Under 18's name:

D.O.B.

Parent/Carer's Consent for Internet Access

I give permission for my son / daughter to use the computers and/or access the Internet in accordance with the Church's guidelines and e-safety rules. I understand that the Church will take all reasonable precautions to supervise this use but I appreciate that this is a difficult task. I understand that the Church cannot therefore be held responsible for the content of materials accessed through the Internet nor is liable for any damages arising from use of this facility.

Parent/Carer signature:

Date:

Please print name: