Connecting using a Macintosh

Mac OS X

1) Pull down the **AirPort** menu at the upper right of your screen.

2) Choose **City Wi-Fi** from the menu.

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     AirPort: On
     Turn AirPort Off

   ✓ City Wi-Fi
     Other...

     Create Network...

     Open Internet Connect...
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* Please do not leave your laptop unattended.
* The Library is not responsible for stolen equipment.
* Please avoid extending network and electrical cables across aisles where they might be safety hazards.

Free Wi-Fi Access in Santa Monica

http://bit.ly/CityWifi

City Wi-Fi is provided by the City of Santa Monica. Additional *City Wi-Fi* hotspots include most city parks, the Santa Monica Pier, Third Street Promenade, City Hall, and the Civic Auditorium.

**For a list of more free Wi-Fi locations, please check the Wi-Fi-FreeSpot Directory www.wififreespot.com
or
Open Wifi Spots
http://bit.ly/bFEYZ0**

Common problems getting connected

* The laptop has no wireless card.
* The laptop is configured to search for only one specific access point. Use the feature to find wireless networks to locate the Library's network.
* The laptop is configured for a specific setting that does not work with the Library's settings.
* The Library's wireless network is down.

FAQ

How fast is the Library's Wi-Fi connection?
MAX 512KB down per device.

Is there a limit to the number of people who can access at one time?
Performance will degrade after 12 to 15 users start sharing a single Access Point.

Where does the Wi-Fi extend?
Throughout the building and 15 feet past the building's perimeter.

What are the hours is Wi-Fi is available?
8am—10 pm

Is a Wi-Fi connection secure?
As with any Internet communication, there's a risk hackers may try to intercept emails, files or data. If security is an important concern, it is recommended Wi-Fi be used only for basic Internet surfing and to avoid sending confidential or sensitive information.

Can I print from my laptop?
Wireless printing is available at the Main Library. The Wi-Fi print driver can be downloaded at
http://smpl.org/MainPB_Ads.aspx?pageid=21488

Why can't I check my email?
Only web-based email access (webmail) is available at the Library. You must go to your email provider's website to check your email. (No VPNs)

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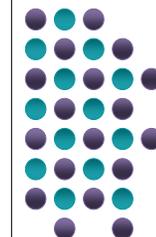
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Using Your Laptop Computer in the Library

The Santa Monica Public Library offers free wireless (Wi-Fi) internet access at its Main Library and at all branch locations. This brochure provides basic instructions on how to connect. Misuse of computing or network resources, or non-compliance with written usage policies is strictly prohibited. Internet policy and use guidelines can be obtained at any service desk or, if you have questions, please ask a librarian for further information.

Basic Steps to Connect

Note: Make sure your laptop computer's wireless is turned on (enabled) before proceeding.

Step 1:
Launch your Web browser.

Step 2:
You should be redirected to a disclaimer page. Read and accept the terms of use by clicking on "Log on as a Guest". You should now be connected.

If you are not able to connect, please follow the appropriate instructions in this brochure.

If you continue to experience problems connecting, please find a Library staff member.

What You Need to Get Started:

❋ A laptop computer with a 802.11b/g compatible wireless network card.

❋ The laptop's network configuration must have the TCP/IP protocol installed and be set to use dynamic IP addressing.

Connecting using a Windows PC

Windows XP

1) Right-click on **My Network Places** on desktop and choose **Properties**.

2) Right-click on **Local Area Connection** and choose **Properties**.

3) Select **Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)** and click on **Properties**.
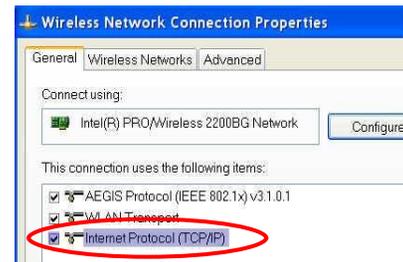
4) Select **Obtain an IP Address Automatically** and click **OK**.
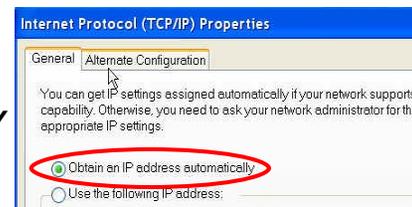
5) Click on the **Wireless Networks** tab.
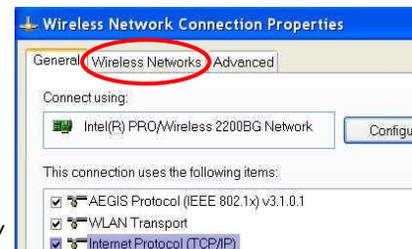
6) **City Wi-Fi** should automatically display as your default network.

Windows Vista / Windows 7

1) Click on the **Start** menu, then **Control Panel**, and then **Network and Internet**.

2) Select **View network status and tasks**.
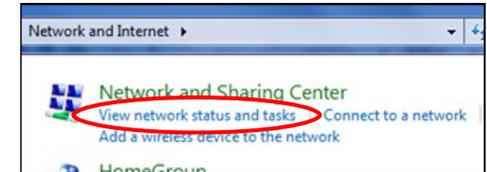
3) Select **Wireless Network Connection (City-WiFi)**.

4) Select **Internet Protocol Version 6 (TCP/IPv6)**.
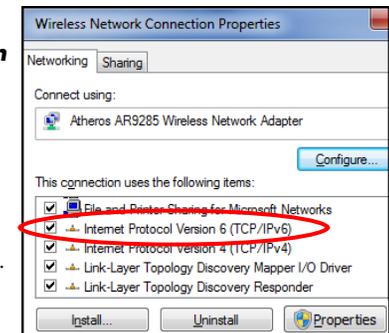
5) Select **Properties**.

6) Make sure that the settings are set to:
- **Obtain an IP address automatically**
- **Obtain DNS server address automatically**
Then click **OK**.

7) Select **Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)**, then repeat steps 5 and 6.