

Security Settings for Windows 7 PCs on Wireless “Public” Networks

1. Connect to the “Sonoma County Library” wireless network.
2. Start Internet Explorer or whatever web browser you use. Sign in by accepting the Acceptable Use Policy.
3. Open the Control Panel.
4. Under “Network and Internet” click “View Network Status and Tasks”.
5. Under “Sonoma County Library” be sure the location says “Public network”.
6. If it says “Public network” under Sonoma County Library, skip steps 7 and 8 below and go to step 9.
7. If the location says “Work network” or “Home network”, click on the network location (“Work network” or “Home network”).
8. Set the Network Location to “Public network”. Then click Close.
9. Click on “Change advance sharing settings”.
10. Under Public (current profile), be sure the following settings are selected:
 - Turn off network discovery
 - Turn off file and printer sharing
 - Turn off Public folder sharing

 - Click on “Choose streaming options” and be sure Media streaming is turned off.

If you make any changes, restart your PC.

For any wireless network that you have designated as a “Public network” in Windows 7, no one should be able to “see” your PC or any of your shared resources on the network and you should not be able to “see” other network shares.