

Borrowing of mobile devices from the USL Bonn

Terms of use

- Borrowed end devices incl. accessories (hereinafter "devices") are the property of the University of Bonn. They must be treated with care during use and may not be provided to third parties. The USL Bonn must be notified immediately in case of damage or fault. Taking own measures to fix damage or fault is not permitted.
- The borrower is liable for any damage to or loss of the device while it is on loan to them, unless they can prove that the damage or loss was not due to their own fault. When borrowing a device, the borrower must check for any existing damage. If pre-existing damage is not reported immediately, it will be assumed that the device was in perfect condition when received by the borrower.
- The USL will determine the appropriate form and amount of compensation for damages as per the general provisions for compensation. It can arrange for proper repair or replacement and will charge the borrower for the costs incurred. Approximate costs of €600 to €700 can be expected for a replacement of a tablet (iPad incl. accessories). Costs for individual components of a technical devices set are listed overleaf (increase in price possible!). In addition to any overdue fines and repair or replacement costs, the USL will charge an administrative fee of €25 per device incl. accessories.
- Borrowed devices are recorded in the library computer system and are therefore listed in library accounts like borrowed media, along with their borrowing periods. The borrower is required to independently ensure that the borrowing period is observed. The overdue fine for late return of a device can be found in the current scale of charges.
- Devices are not immediately inspected for damage when they are returned. Returning a device therefore does not relieve the borrower of liability. If damages are identified during inspection, the associated costs will be charged to the library account of the last borrower. The USL will also inform the borrower of the damages by email.
- During inspection all settings and stored data will be deleted from devices.
- Fines, including overdue fines, incurred in connection with a borrowed mobile device will be added to the other fees in the library account and could lead to the entire account being blocked. In this case, it would no longer be possible to borrow media.
- The University Bonn is not liable for any damage to files, media or storage devices caused by use of the borrowed devices, or for damage caused by third party misuse of data due to inadequate data protection in the Internet.
- To avoid damage to devices, only the charging cables provided may be used.
- It is possible that technical equipment is not available due to late return or damage, even if availability was confirmed in writing beforehand. The University of Bonn is not liable for any damage resulting from devices not being available.