

Internet and Free WIFI



Public, free WIFI (hotspots) in Marburg-Biedenkopf

- In a hotspot, you can surf the Internet with your own device.
- Freifunk Marburg and City-WiFi are the two networks that people in Marburg-Biedenkopf can use to access the Internet free of charge.

"Freifunk Marburg" for the town and district of Marburg-Biedenkopf.

Freifunk Marburg offers people a **non-commercial solution** and free internet access. Private individuals provide their internet routers for this purpose. The Freifunk activists organize the connection among the individual nodes and establish the connection to the Internet via their own server. Here you can see a <u>map of</u> where the HotSpots are located in the district and also where to get more <u>information about Freifunk</u>.

The <u>University Town of Marburg supports the Freifunk project</u>, among other things, by providing financial support for the purchase of <u>selected routers</u>, it supports the purchase of the routers at 75 percent up to a maximum amount of 60 euros. Citizens with their main residence and companies with their headquarters or branch office in Marburg who purchase an OpenWRT-capable router are eligible to apply for funding for routers.

City-Wifi for the town of Marburg

The "**City-WiFi**" hotspots are provided by the Stadtwerke Marburg through **commercial provider QSC**. The free WIFI can be accessed at over 20 bus stops in the city area. In addition, there are highly frequented locations such as the main train station forecourt, the Georg Gassmann Stadium, the Messeplatz, the area around the Schlossberg Center, the Sparkasse and Ahrens, as well as the Marburg Castle and the Software Center in the southern quarter. In addition, there is a coupling between the WIFI network of the university and the City-WiFi. City WiFi can also be accessed via the university network at selected points.

WIFI in the accommodations?

As an asylum seeker in Germany, you unfortunately have no legal right to Internet access (WIFI) in your accommodation. Therefore, there is usually no WIFI (WLAN) in the accommodations. If there is a telephone connection in the accommodation, it is possible that you sign a contract for a WIFI yourself. Ask your circle of helpers to work with you to pick out a good contract. Talk to the people living in the accommodation beforehand, maybe you can share a connection. Consider whether a





contract that you can always cancel is better than one that lasts for a long time (for example, 2 years) . Ask before signing the contract with your accommodation service whether WIFI is technically possible at all and how you can provide access for the technician.

