

Terms & Conditions for the use of the College network

Introduction

This document outlines the terms and conditions for the use of the College network by members of the College.

These are based on the terms and conditions of use issued by the Cambridge University Computing Service. These can be found on the Internet at <http://www.cam.ac.uk/cs/itsyndicate/rules.html>.

Terms

Users are expected to provide their own Ethernet adapters. Virtually all desktop and laptop computers have built-in adapters.

The College is charged for its share of the University's Internet traffic. A proportion of the Computing Charge that appears on your College Bill contributes to covering these costs, however, the College reserves the right to recoup any excessive charges caused by an individual user (see Conditions below for further details).

Conditions

The conditions below are based on those issued by the University Computing Service, and as such a breach of the College conditions often leads the user to also be in breach of University conditions.

The College reserves the right to disconnect any network connection pending investigation of a suspected breach of the rules or if the work of others users is being hindered.

Use of the College network is subject to the following conditions (with explanations in italics):

1. The good name of the College shall not be brought into disrepute.
2. The user shall not engage in any activity on the network that would be deemed unlawful. *This includes, but is not limited to: storage, production or reproduction of obscene or defamatory material; activities which breach the Data Protection Act; activities which breach the Computer Misuse Act.*
3. You may not use your network connection to breach copyright law. *It should be noted that the agents of copyright holders have recently been paying close attention to the data on academic networks. See also <http://www.cam.ac.uk/cs/netdiv/copyright.html>*
4. All users should ensure they have adequate anti-virus software installed on their computers and that it is active and current.

5. The user consents to the College, the University Computing Service and their agents to monitor network traffic generated by the user for the purpose of statistical monitoring and investigation of possible breaches of these conditions. *It should be noted that the University Computing Service regularly 'port-scans' all network-connected devices to search for security vulnerabilities.*
6. The connection of wireless networking gateways to the College network is forbidden without prior permission of the College Computer Officer. *There are security issues with using wireless network devices that require careful consideration before their use. Additionally unregistered wireless devices may interfere with other College systems.*
7. The College network shall not be used for commercial purposes. *This includes, but is not limited to, issuing of unsolicited commercial email (SPAM), operation of commercial websites or use of email for commercial activities.*
8. In the event of a query regarding these conditions the user should contact the College Computer Officers, email to co@pet.cam.ac.uk.

By connecting to the College network the user is deemed to have agreed to these conditions. Users are responsible for taking reasonable precautions to ensure that others do not misuse systems registered in their name.

Peterhouse Computer Office.
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