

# Acceptable Use Policy

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## Definitions

"Participating Institution" means any institution with which SABEN has concluded SABEN REN Service Agreement.

"SABEN REN Services" are the services that are provided to Participating Institutions by SABEN and/or service providers appointed by SABEN.

### Terms of the Policy

- 1. Each Participating Institution is responsible for ensuring that its users of the SABEN REN Services comply with this policy.
- 2. Participating Institutions shall inform all their users of the contents of this Acceptable Use Policy and of the obligation to comply with it.
- 3. SABEN may seek to terminate the provision of SABEN REN Services to any Participating Institution that, after having been warned by SABEN, continues to violate the provisions of this policy.
- 4. Each Participating Institution shall have its own Acceptable Use Policy governing the use of its resources. Such Acceptable Use Policy shall be consistent with this Acceptable Use Policy.
- 5. SABEN reserves the right to amend this Acceptable Use Policy. Notice of any significant amendments will be given to all Participating Institutions.

## Acceptable Use of SABEN REN Services

- 1) Each Participating Institution may use SABEN REN Services for any legal activity that:
  - a) Furthers the aims and objects of the Participating Institution;
  - b) Complies with the provisions of this AUP and any other agreements entered into between the Participating Institution and SABEN;
  - c) Complies with current good Internet practice; and
  - d) Does not involve any unacceptable uses, as defined in Clause 2 below.

### Unacceptable Use of SABEN REN Services

- 2) The following are unacceptable uses of SABEN REN Services:
  - a) Transiting traffic between any commercial Internet service providers.
  - b) The transmission, storage or distribution of any material or content where such action would violate any applicable laws prohibiting child pornography; obscenity; discrimination (including racial, gender or religious slurs) and hate

speech; or speech designed to incite violence or hatred, or threats to cause bodily harm.

- c) The transmission, storage or distribution of any material or content where such action is intended to defame, abuse, stalk, harass or physically threaten any individual; including any attempt to link to, post, transmit or otherwise distribute any inappropriate or defamatory material.
- d) The transmission, storage and distribution of any material or content where such action violates any intellectual property laws including laws concerning local and international copyright, trademarks and trade secrets;
- e) Any effort to use SABEN REN Services in a way that circumvents or would circumvent the user authentication or security of any host, network or account ("cracking" or "hacking");
- f) Forging of any TCP-IP packet header (spoofing) or any part of the header information in an email or a newsgroup posting;
- g) Any attempt to use SABEN REN Services in a way that breaches or would breach the security of another user's account or that gains or would gain access to any other person's computer, software, or data or otherwise threaten another person's privacy, without the knowledge and consent of such person;
- h) Any activity that threatens to disrupt SABEN REN Services through "denial of service attacks"; flooding of a network; or overloading a service or any unauthorized probes of other networks;
- Any activity that in any way threatens the security of the network by knowingly posting, transmitting, linking to or otherwise distributing any information or software which contains a virus, Trojan, worm, lock, mail bomb, cancelbot or other harmful, destructive or disruptive component.
- j) Any unsolicited mass mailing activity including direct marketing, spam and chain letters for commercial or other purposes, without the prior consent of the recipients of those mails.
- k) Any failure to secure a server that is connected via SABEN REN Services to the Internet against being abused by third parties as an open relay or open proxy.
- I) Any commercial use of the network or network services