

YorkUK Hosting Acceptable Use Policy

This Acceptable Use Policy specifies the actions prohibited by York UK Hosting Limited ("YorkUK Hosting") to users of the Service (as defined in the "YorkUK Hosting Service Agreement"). Users may be defined as "customer or anyone who uses or accesses the YorkUK Hosting Service". YorkUK Hosting reserves the right to modify this Policy at any time, effective upon posting of the modified Policy to www.yorkukhosting.com/help/aup.asp. Any modifications to this Policy will be made when YorkUK Hosting feels it is appropriate and it is the User's responsibility to ensure their awareness of any such changes.

GENERAL

As a User of a YorkUK Hosting Service you are expected to use the Internet with due respect and responsibility, giving thought to the rights of other Internet users. As a User you are expected to have a basic understanding of 'net etiquette', incorporating the types of use of the Internet which are accepted and those which are not.

ILLEGAL USE

The Service may be used only for lawful purposes. Transmission, distribution or storage of any material in violation of any applicable law or regulation is prohibited. This includes, without limitation, material protected by copyright, trademark, trade secret or intellectual property right used without proper authorisation, and material that is obscene, defamatory, constitutes an illegal threat, or violates export control laws.

SECURITY

Violation of YorkUK Hosting systems and those of third parties are prohibited, and may result in criminal and civil liability. YorkUK Hosting will investigate incidents involving such violations and will involve and will co-operate with law enforcement if a criminal violation is suspected. Examples of security violations include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Unauthorised use of or access to, data or systems, including any attempt to probe, scan or test the vulnerability of a system to breach security or authentication measures without express authorisation of the owner of the system;
- Interference with service to any user, host or network including, but not limited to, mail-bombing, flooding, deliberate attempts to overload a system.
- Forging of any part of the header information in an e-mail or newsgroup posting

E-MAIL

1. It is explicitly prohibited to send unsolicited bulk mail messages ("junk mail" or "spam") of any kind (commercial advertising, personal advertising, political tracts, announcements) etc.
2. It is also expressly prohibited to allow others to send unsolicited bulk mail messages either directly or by relaying through the Users system. For the avoidance of doubt, users must ensure that their systems cannot be relayed through. Users may not forward or otherwise propagate chain letters or malicious e-mail.
3. A user may not solicit mail for any other address than that of the user, except with the full consent of the owner of the referred address.

SYSTEM RESOURCES

Users are required to ensure that they do neither knowingly or unknowingly abuse resources (including but not limited to CPU time, RAM, Storage space and bandwidth) of servers and/or networks provided for their use by YorkUK Hosting. All software uploaded to the server should be fully tested to ensure that it operates as designed. Users fully acknowledge that the Service should under no circumstances be used as a platform for testing. Any software found to be consuming excess amounts of system resources will be removed without prior notice to protect other users of the system. Users are explicitly required to fully test all files for viruses prior to uploading to the system.