

Liability obligations

Contingent liabilities for the use of Linnaeus University's computer, network and system resources

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General

Computer resources, computer networks, related equipment and accounts are owned and managed by Linnaeus University for use in the authorized operations of Linnaeus University. Only authorized persons may use these resources.

By authorized, it is meant in these directives a person who has been allocated an account or otherwise who has received permission to use the computer, network or system resources of Linnaeus University.

The owners of the authorization are responsible for keeping themselves updated with regards to regulations and directives.

Violations of these regulations and directives can lead to disciplinary and / or legal measures. Charges for compensation for damages incurred as a result of such infringements may be required.

Regulations

For authorised users, the following regulations are in force:

- Only material where it is has been clearly stated that permission has been obtained may be copied and distributed. Copyright material may only be copied or distributed with the expressed permission of the copyright holder.
- Use of resources and information in addition to the regulations and directives in force may only arise after expressed permission has been obtained. Such permission is granted by the IT Department or by a suitably-qualified person appointed by the University.
- The user identity and resources related to user identity may only be used by the holder of the identity. The holder is personally responsible for all actions / activities carried out in the course of the identity's use.
- Passwords belonging to the user identity should be regarded as valuable documents and should be kept secret. Information which can lead to access of the user identity may only be given to members of staff who in the course of their regular work duties have the right to such access.
- It is forbidden to use the available resources for personal use (including the network) for commercial purposes.
- It is not permitted to make use of faulty-configurations, programming faults and other methods with the purpose of gaining access to more extensive system privileges or authorization other than that which has already been allocated.
- Anyone discovering faults, deficiencies, breaches of the regulations, irregularities or other problems should ensure that faults / incidents are immediately reported to the University's IT Department.
- Disruptive activities with regards to other users or IT resources such as hacking or attempts at hacking or other breaches of security are forbidden.

For equipment which is connected to network and system resources at Linnaeus University, the following regulations are in force:

- Such connections require permission from the IT Department.
- Equipment should be allocated an identity by a qualified system administrator.
- It is forbidden to make use of any identity other than that which has been allocated.
- It is up to the owner to take suitable measures to protect the identity from unauthorized use.
- The owner is responsible for security with regards to their own equipment and data.
- The owner is responsible for activities / actions in the course of equipment use for which an identity in accordance with the above has been allocated.

By owner it is meant the person owning the equipment or who for the purposes of work has acquired equipment from Linnaeus University.

SUNET

The University is connected to SUNET (the Swedish University Computer Network) and to a world-wide computer network. It is a generally accepted principle to preserve network openness as far as possible. In order to maintain this openness, it is unavoidable that certain ethical demands are made.

SUNET deems actions as being unethical when someone

- attempts to gain access to network resources which they are not entitled to access
- attempts to conceal user identity (apart from cases when such behaviour is explicitly permitted)
- attempts to disrupt or interrupt the proper use of the network.

- manifestly wastes available resources (staff time, hard- and software etc) for example by sending chain letters
- attempts to damage or destroy computer-based information
- encroaches into the private life of other users as well as attempting to insult or abuse other users.

Information

- When publishing electronic information (eg via WWW etc), the legally responsible publisher should always be stated. This person is personally responsible for the contents of the information. Note that relevant legislative acts regarding computer and data usage are in force and in certain cases there are requirements regarding permission or licences from the Swedish Data Inspection Board. The University reserves the right to restrict the publishing and distribution of material via the University's equipment and / or network.
- Swedish legislation will be in force under all circumstances.
- Eligibility is for a restricted period of time and will cease when studies, employment, projects or equivalent come to an end. Linnaeus University has the right to withdraw eligibility which has been inactive for more than six months unless any an agreement has otherwise been made.
- Faults and problems should be notified to the University's IT Department
- All information which is not covered by the principle of public access to documents should be treated as confidential and that the person has accepted the requirements of confidentiality.
- Managing day-to-day maintenance, as well as checking to ensure that these directives are followed will be the responsibility of a person specially appointed by the University with the right to supervise Linnaeus University's systems and to check the contents of traffic, data etc either in storage or in transmission.
- The person appointed by the University has the right in emergency situations or with a well-founded suspicion relating to legal infringement or violations of these rules to temporarily suspend the use of individual and collective IT resources.

Support

In case of problems, contact the University's IT Department. Contact information can be obtained from the University's website.

More information can be found at:

<http://www.lnu.se>

Assurance

I hereby swear that I have read and understood the above regulations as well as pledging to keep up to date with and follow currently in force directives for the use of Linnaeus University's computer system. I am aware that breaches of these regulations can involve the risk of losing rights of access to the University's computer resources, and that violations can result in legal proceedings being taken

I hereby give my consent to the publication of my name and email address on the Internet.

: This contingent liability relates to the student version of the account.

Account ID

Social security number

Place and date

Signature

Name in block capitals