ResNet Policy

Student Housing Services encourages responsible computing. Responsible computing is ethical, reflects academic honesty, and shows restraint in the consumption of shared resources. It demonstrates respect for intellectual property, ownership of data, system security mechanisms, and an individual’s right to privacy and freedom from intimidation, harassment and unwarranted annoyance. The ResNet policy has been established to provide a set of rules and guidelines for the proper and responsible use of the University of Hawaii and Student Housing Services computing and network resources, effective protection of individual users, equitable access, and proper management of these resources. These guidelines are intended to supplement, not replace, existing laws, regulations, agreements, policies, and contracts, which currently apply to these services. Users of the Student Housing Services ResNet are bound by the University of Hawaii Executive Policy concerning the Management of Information Technology Resources. The policy can be found at: [www.hawaii.edu/infotech/policies/itpolicy.html](http://www.hawaii.edu/infotech/policies/itpolicy.html)

ResNet users are additionally bound by the following rules and regulations intended to preserve the integrity and accessibility of all computing resources:

A. Residents are responsible for ensuring that their computers are virus-free and secure before connecting to ResNet. Unintentional violations of ResNet policy due to a compromised computer may still result in sanctions.

B. The residential network may only be used for legal purposes and to access only those systems, software, and data for which the user is authorized. Accessing or providing access to copyrighted material including but not limited to music, movies, and software is prohibited.

C. The residential network is a shared resource. Network uses or applications that inhibit or interfere with the use of the network by others are prohibited. Examples include file sharing applications, E-mail spamming, unauthorized servers, or any other activity that consumes an excessive amount of bandwidth.

D. The residential network is provided for uses consistent with the academic mission of the institution. The network may not be used for commercial purposes or for unsolicited advertising.

E. Data jacks may not be used to provide network access to anyone other than the resident assigned to the data jack. Residents will be held responsible for all traffic passing or originating from their assigned connection. Hardware devices which extend the network such as routers must be secured and properly configured.

F. Servers of any kind are prohibited without authorization from the ResNet personnel. Examples include Web, FTP, Game, and SMTP servers. In addition, many hardware devices such as wireless routers
include software components that act as servers and it is the responsibility of the resident to properly configure any such devices before they are connected to the network.

G. The network automatically provides network address information via DHCP. Individuals may use only the IP address assigned to them by Student Housing Services. Unauthorized use of a "fixed" or "static" IP address is prohibited.

H. Any malicious or hostile activities such as port scans, spamming, DOS attacks, or attempts to gain unauthorized access via the network are prohibited.

I. Forgery or other misrepresentation of one's identity via electronic or any other form of communication is prohibited. This includes the use of an IP address not specifically assigned to the individual using it, impersonating another user with the intent to slander in public areas, and the use of a forged or false identity in E-mail communications.

J. Respecting the rights of other users is required at all times on the network. These rights include, but are not limited to, privacy, freedom of expression, and freedom from harassment.

K. Administrators of the residential network have the authority to control or refuse access to the network to anyone who violates these policies or who threatens the rights of other users. Administrators have the authority to restrict or suspend network access without notice for a user or computer that is believed to have been the source of an alleged violation pending investigation of the violation and satisfactory resolution of the complaint.

L. Student Housing Services assumes the responsibility for the maintenance of computing resources provided within Student Housing Services facilities. In the event of a loss of service, all reasonable attempts will be made to restore the connection as quickly as possible. Student Housing Services is not responsible for any damages or losses incurred due to the use of the network or from loss of service. Use of the ResNet constitutes FULL agreement and understanding of this Acceptable Use Policy and any future modifications there to. Violations of this policy may result in termination of connection, disciplinary sanctions, as well as possible legal ramifications. Student Housing Services reserves the right to modify, change, and reformat this document, as it deems necessary without permission or consent of its network users. Copies of this policy will remain available via the ResNet web site.

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