Rules & Regulations for NTU Visitors

I. NTU Rules for Visitor User Accounts

1. At all times the Nanyang Technological University (NTU) reserves the right to review, suspend or terminate any account.

2. The computer facilities provided to user account holders by NTU shall include hardware, software and computing domains under the control of NTU including the provision of computing facilities to remote users.

3. Any act prohibited by the rules will be grounds for suspension and or termination of the user accounts. Such action will not exclude any action taken by the proper authorities in the prosecution of any breaches of the laws of Singapore.

4. The following acts are **PROHIBITED** on the computer facilities:

   a) Anything that might be considered illegal. NTU facilities may not be used to encourage any act that will be an offence under the laws of Singapore.

   b) Accessing, storage or downloading from any source or displaying, creating or transmitting in any form and language, of any obscene, distasteful, vulgar or sexually suggestive electronic pictures or graphics prohibited by the laws of Singapore.

   c) Any use of obscene, distasteful, derogatory, vulgar or sexually suggestive or discriminatory language.

   d) The provision of on-line service or web pages disseminating information regarding politics and religion without the proper licenses from the Media Development Authority AND the written approval of the Director, IT Services.

   e) Permitting other persons to use the user account or the computing facilities, whether that other person is a registered or unregistered user.

   f) Unauthorized access, copying, destroying or deleting and altering or amending of data or software programs.

   g) The introduction of 'virus' or 'worm' or any software program designed to alter any data or software in the computing facilities.

   h) The tapping of the computer facilities or its network without the written permission from the Director, IT Services.

   i) Copying, storage, transmission and use of unlicensed copyrighted software or materials.

   j) The transmission, display or broadcasting of electronic messages or the use the computer facilities in any manner:

      i) to denigrate, satirise, degrade or defame any person, family, organization, nation, race or religious group;

      ii) to affect or prevent any registered users' use of the computer facilities;

      iii) for commercial, political or religious purposes, without obtaining prior written
permission from the Director, IT Services; or

iv) for or on behalf of any person, party, organization or principal without obtaining prior written authorization from the person, party, organization or principal AND the written permission from the Director, IT Services.

k) Anything that violates the rules, regulations and policies applicable to any wired and wireless network, NTU server, computer database, web site or newsgroup that NTU Visitor or end-user accesses;

l) Anything that sends, or facilitates the sending of, unsolicited bulk mail messages ("email spam") to any people or system in a way that may adversely impact NTU’s network or its facilities; or to sends mail-bombs (masses of email or other data) to any people or system, soliciting or replies to mail-bombs for commercial or unofficial purposes.

m) Use of the NTU Wired or wireless services to attempt to break computer security, or in fact, breaks security of any computer network, or to access an account without authorization;

n) Forges removes or modifies identifying network header information ("spoofing"), or employs any other methods in connection with the transmission of e-mail used to forge, disguise and mislead any legitimate NTU user.

o) Use of Internet IRC relay chat rooms and IRC bots or storing them on NTU servers is prohibited. Impersonating other users by forging one’s email address is strictly prohibited. Flooding, spoofing, harassment, or otherwise hindering the ability of others to properly use IRC is prohibited;

p) Relays email through any third-party systems without authority; System/s configured to permit third party mail or news relay is prohibited

q) Uses services to conduct any other activities which NTU determines as injurious or prejudicial to its staff, student, alumni and operations, or reputation;

r) Attempts to or resells NTU network service or using bandwidth in excess of limits imposed by the network is prohibited.

5. The user shall be personally liable for the maintenance of the user account to prevent the occurrence of any of the above mentioned events.

6. NTU does not guarantee the suitability of their computer facilities for any specific application or purpose intended by the user. Signal strength may vary or fail altogether due to factors which are not within NTU’s control. NTU shall not be liable for any loss or damage arising from any interference or failure.

7. Due to the nature of wireless access, there is an inherent risk of wrongful, illegal or unauthorized access by third parties to the user’s computer and/or account. The user hereby acknowledges and accepts any and all risks of such wrongful, illegal or unauthorized access and hereby agrees that NTU shall not be liable for any loss or damage which arises from such access.

8. NTU reserves the right to access files, review or investigate any user account for the purposes of compliance with the Media Development Authority Act, and the Internet Code of Practice. NTU may disclose to the proper authorities the findings of any breaches of the Media Development Authority Act and the Computer Misuse Act.
Users are reminded that any violation of the Computer Misuse Act, Cap 50A, will be liable to a fine up to $50,000 or to imprisonment of up to 10 years or both.

9. The receipt of any transmission or electronic message of a kind that is prohibited must be reported immediately to the hotline of the Centre for IT Services (phone: 67905228, fax: 67910688 email: helpdesk@ntu.edu.sg). Any failure to do so may result in the recipient being construed as a party to the prohibited act and may suffer the sanctions mentioned in paragraphs 3 and 8 above.