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INTRODUCTION



WHAT IS CODE OF CONDUCT?

Code of Conduct It is a set of rules pertaining to the use of participatory media. A digital code of conduct forms the basis for user and content moderation. It's also a valuable tool for educating users about computer-mediated communications, in addition to helping keep the platform environment safe and respectful.

Therefore, digital citizenship is about having the knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to demonstrate responsible, respectful and safe behavior when using technology or participating in digital environments.

WHAT SHOULD A DIGITAL CODE OF CONDUCT INCLUDE?

Common topics include the sharing of personal information, disrespect towards other users, inappropriate content and disruptive behavior. The code of conduct can also serve as useful reminder of copyright principles to prevent users from inadvertently or deliberately publishing copyrighted works.

Set out in accessible language, a digital code of conduct should list (as exhaustively as possible) **rights and responsibilities**, **expectations** and the **consequences** in the event of an infringement. The code should specify the consequences if the rules are broken — for example, the removal of content or the suspension/closure of a user's account.



HOW SHOULD THE DIGITAL CODE OF CONDUCT BE DISPLAYED?

There is no single recommendation for how or where a digital code of conduct should be displayed. **Its importance will vary greatly depending on the type of platform and degree to which the platform is participatory.** For example, in a social network where users have frequent opportunities to interact, the digital code of conduct may take the form of a contract that users must agree to before they can participate.



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The Consortium of the Erasmus+ project "DICIPASS4YOUTH: European Digital Citizenship Pass for Youth Empowerment and Participation" (project. No.: 2019-1-DE04-KA205-017888), henceforth the Consortium, generated the following DICIPASS4YOUTH Code of Conduct on Digital Citizenship.

One of the objectives of DICIPASS4YOUTH is to raise awareness about the importance of the young generation to acquire lifelong learning skills such digital, social, personal and democratic, that will support them in their adulthood.

Considering that the acquisition of the mentioned skills will empower young people and will foster active decision making which will benefit society as a whole, reducing the risk of exclusion in terms of e-access and e-participation.

The DICIPASS4YOUTH Code of Conduct will be based in 9 elements of digital citizenship, namely **Digital Access, Digital Commerce, Digital Communication, Digital Literacy, Digital Etiquette, Digital Law, Digital Rights and Responsibilities, Digital health and wellness and Digital Security**. These elements also been summarized in the three following conducts:

❖ **RESPECT YOURSELF AND RESPECT OTHERS**

❖ **EDUCATE YOURSELF AND CONNECT WITH OTHERS**

❖ **PROTECT YOURSELF AND PROTECT OTHERS**

The Code of Conduct aims to influence young people, youth workers and organizations, as it will map out the expected digital values, attitudes, skills and competences to be adopted by young people, as members of the DICIPASS SOCIETY. Moreover, it will be used as a mutual **agreement among participants** of the project and the organizations, against which the young people will be assessed in order to gain their DICIPASS4YOUTH BADGE.

The Code of Conduct is to be signed by various organizations, interested stakeholders and professional organizations/ associations locally and nationally and to include it among their practices to establish **the foundation of a digital citizenship culture in the organizations**.

The Code of Conduct will support youth workers and young people with the opportunity to acquire new competences which are rarely taught in schools, but are essential skills which will guide young people throughout their lives as responsible citizens who take wise online decisions with dignity, respect and safety. Its intention is **to influence the attitude patterns and behaviors of young people towards digital sphere** and to foster awareness and understanding of how the on-line world works and safety on-line works, while safeguarding their identities and personal data.





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❖ I COMMIT MYSELF TO RESPECT FOR EQUAL DIGITAL RIGHTS.

Respects digital rights, which refer to the equal and inalienable rights laid out in the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, in the online sphere. Examples of them are the rights to online privacy and freedom of expression.

❖ I COMMIT MYSELF TO RESPECT FOR EQUAL DIGITAL ACCESS FOR ALL.

Understands the importance of equal internet access in homes, schools and public areas. Regardless socio economical position or social background.

❖ I COMMIT MYSELF TO MAINTAIN RESPECTFUL BEHAVIOR ONLINE.

Self-Respect and respect for others is important in all relationships, also for relationships that develop online. Therefore, digital citizens must reject online conducts such as hate speech, cyberbullying and cyber shaming.

❖ I COMMIT MYSELF NOT TO STEAL, ALTER OR DAMAGE DIGITAL WORK OR THE PROPERTY OF ANOTHER PERSON.

Understands that must not commit Illegal download of online content, knows how to quote and reference the work of others and informs himself about open content.

❖ I COMMIT MYSELF NOT TO STEAL, ALTER OR DAMAGE THE IDENTITY OF OTHER PEOPLE.

A digital citizen does not use another person's identity, for its personal advantage or to the other person's disadvantage or loss. Activities such as the use of another's personally identifying information, like their name, identifying number, or credit card number, without their permission, are not performed by a positive digital citizen.



❖ I COMMIT MYSELF TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MY DECISIONS WHEN COMMUNICATING ONLINE.

Understands the importance of sharing content that is adequate to the age of the receiver. Stops to think about the impact of the information before sharing it.

❖ I COMMIT MYSELF TO USE DIGITAL TOOLS TO CONSTANTLY ADVANCE MY LEARNING AND KEEP UP TO DATE WITH THE TECHNOLOGICAL EVOLVING ENVIRONMENT.

Understands that the more it knows how to use different digital tools, the more effective and precise will be at communicating with others online at personal and professional level.

❖ I COMMIT MYSELF TO MAKE RESPONSIBLE DECISIONS WHILE SHOPPING ONLINE AND PROTECT MY PAYMENT INFORMATION.

Responsible online consumption is a matter of interest of digital citizens. Important is to develop skills that allow for instance, to better explore and identify optimal prices, the highest quality and sustainability of products (by analyzing environmental labels, identifying the healthier products), learning from other customers' experiences and reviews, and being able to recognize frauds or scams. These are fundamental skills to consumer empowerment.

❖ I COMMIT MYSELF TO PROTECT PERSONAL INFORMATION.

Be aware of not sharing most sensitive information like bank account numbers, social security number, pin numbers, credit card numbers, and passwords. Make your social media accounts private. Protecting personal information prevents identity theft, being robbed and protects your employability (avoid sharing on social media what others might view as controversial), among other benefits.

❖ I COMMIT MYSELF TO BE AWARE OF THE HEALTH RISKS OF TECHNOLOGY, FROM PHYSICAL TO PSYCHOLOGICAL, AND ACT TO LIMIT THEM.

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Signature





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