

# Fox ML Infrastructure – Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)

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This Acceptable Use Policy (“AUP”) defines acceptable and prohibited uses of Fox ML Infrastructure software. Violation of this policy may result in termination of the commercial license.

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## 1. Acceptable Use

### 1.1 Permitted Uses

Fox ML Infrastructure may be used for:

- **Research and development** – Machine learning applications, cross-sectional ML workflows, and model development
- **Internal operations** – Internal business operations, analytics, and decision-making
- **Domain-specific applications** – Cross-sectional ML applications across any domain (subject to compliance with applicable laws and regulations)
- **Academic research** – Academic research and educational purposes (under AGPL-3.0 for non-commercial use)
- **Integration** – Integration with proprietary systems and workflows
- **Customization** – Customization and modification for internal use

All uses must comply with the **Commercial License Agreement** and applicable laws.

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## 2. Prohibited Uses

### 2.1 Illegal Activities

Fox ML Infrastructure may NOT be used for:

- **Illegal trading** – Trading activities that violate securities laws, exchange rules, or financial regulations
- **Market manipulation** – Manipulation of markets, prices, or trading volumes
- **Fraud** – Fraudulent activities, misrepresentation, or deceptive practices
- **Money laundering** – Money laundering or other financial crimes
- **Sanctions violations** – Activities that violate economic sanctions or embargoes
- **Any illegal purpose** – Any use that violates applicable laws or regulations

### 2.2 Sanctioned Entities

Fox ML Infrastructure may NOT be used by:

- **Sanctioned entities** – Entities subject to economic sanctions or embargoes (e.g., OFAC, UN, EU sanctions)
- **Prohibited countries** – Entities in countries subject to comprehensive sanctions
- **Terrorist organizations** – Entities designated as terrorist organizations
- **Prohibited persons** – Individuals or entities on prohibited persons lists

See `LEGAL/EXPORT_COMPLIANCE.md` for export control compliance requirements.

## 2.3 High-Risk Environments

**Fox ML Infrastructure may NOT be used in:**

- **Medical diagnosis** – Medical diagnosis, treatment, or life-critical medical systems
- **Critical infrastructure** – Critical infrastructure systems where failure could cause significant harm
- **Weapons systems** – Weapons systems, defense systems, or military applications
- **Life support systems** – Life support systems or systems where failure could result in death
- **Nuclear systems** – Nuclear systems or nuclear facility control systems
- **Aviation safety** – Aviation safety systems or flight control systems
- **Any high-risk environment** – Any environment where failure could result in death, serious injury, or significant property damage

See `COMMERCIAL_LICENSE.md` Section 4 (Restrictions) for detailed high-risk environment restrictions.

## 2.4 Exchange Rule Violations

**Fox ML Infrastructure may NOT be used to:**

- **Violate exchange rules** – Violate exchange rules, trading regulations, or market regulations
- **Circumvent restrictions** – Circumvent trading restrictions, position limits, or regulatory requirements
- **Manipulate markets** – Manipulate markets, prices, or trading volumes
- **Front-running** – Engage in front-running or other prohibited trading practices
- **Insider trading** – Use non-public information for trading (if applicable)

Licensee is responsible for ensuring compliance with all applicable exchange rules and regulations.

## 2.5 Unauthorized Redistribution

**Fox ML Infrastructure may NOT be:**

- **Redistributed** – Redistributed, sold, or provided to third parties
- **Hosted as SaaS** – Hosted as a Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) or Platform-as-a-Service (PaaS)
- **Sublicensed** – Sublicensed, rented, or leased to third parties
- **Published** – Published or disclosed publicly (source code or derivatives)
- **Resold** – Resold or transferred to third parties without authorization

See `COMMERCIAL_LICENSE.md` Section 4 (Restrictions) for detailed redistribution restrictions.

## 2.6 Unauthorized Access

**Fox ML Infrastructure may NOT be used to:**

- **Unauthorized access** – Gain unauthorized access to systems, networks, or data
- **Security breaches** – Breach security measures or access controls
- **Data theft** – Steal, copy, or misappropriate data or intellectual property
- **System disruption** – Disrupt, damage, or interfere with systems or networks

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## 3. Compliance Requirements

### 3.1 Legal Compliance

**Licensee must:**

- **Comply with laws** – Comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and export controls
- **Obtain licenses** – Obtain all necessary licenses, permits, and authorizations

- **Regulatory compliance** – Comply with securities regulations, exchange rules, and financial regulations
- **Export compliance** – Comply with export control laws and regulations

See `LEGAL/EXPORT_COMPLIANCE.md` for **export control compliance requirements**.

### 3.2 Exchange and Regulatory Compliance

Licensee is responsible for:

- **Exchange rules** – Ensuring compliance with all applicable exchange rules and trading regulations
  - **Regulatory requirements** – Meeting all regulatory requirements for trading, investment, or financial operations
  - **Reporting obligations** – Fulfilling all reporting obligations to regulatory authorities
  - **Audit requirements** – Meeting audit and compliance requirements
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## 4. Monitoring and Enforcement

### 4.1 Licensee Responsibility

Licensee is responsible for:

- **Monitoring use** – Monitoring use of the Software within its organization
- **Enforcing compliance** – Enforcing compliance with this AUP within its organization
- **Reporting violations** – Reporting any violations of this AUP to Licensor
- **Remediation** – Taking prompt action to remediate any violations

### 4.2 Licensor Rights

Fox ML Infrastructure LLC reserves the right to:

- **Investigate violations** – Investigate suspected violations of this AUP
  - **Request information** – Request information about Licensee's use of the Software
  - **Terminate license** – Terminate the license for material violations
  - **Legal action** – Pursue legal action for violations
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## 5. Violations and Consequences

### 5.1 Material Violations

Material violations include:

- **Illegal use** – Use for illegal purposes or in violation of applicable laws
- **Sanctions violations** – Use by sanctioned entities or in violation of export controls
- **High-risk use** – Use in prohibited high-risk environments
- **Unauthorized redistribution** – Redistribution, hosting as SaaS, or unauthorized transfer
- **Exchange violations** – Violations of exchange rules or trading regulations

### 5.2 Consequences

Violations may result in:

- **Immediate termination** – Immediate termination of the commercial license
- **Cessation of use** – Requirement to cease all use of the Software
- **Destruction of copies** – Requirement to destroy all copies of the Software
- **Legal action** – Legal action for breach of contract or copyright infringement
- **Indemnification** – Licensee remains liable for indemnification obligations

See `COMMERCIAL_LICENSE.md` Section 5 (Termination) for termination procedures.

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## 6. Reporting Violations

### 6.1 Reporting Process

To report violations:

- **Email** – jenn.lewis5789@gmail.com
- **Subject** – AUP Violation Report – Fox ML Infrastructure
- **Include** – Description of violation, evidence, and contact information

### 6.2 Confidentiality

Reports are handled confidentially:

- **Privacy** – Reporter information is kept confidential (unless required by law)
  - **Investigation** – Reports are investigated promptly and thoroughly
  - **Remediation** – Appropriate action is taken to remediate violations
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## 7. Updates to This Policy

### 7.1 Policy Updates

This AUP may be updated:

- **Notification** – Commercial licensees will be notified of material updates
  - **Effective date** – Updates become effective on the date specified
  - **Continued use** – Continued use of the Software implies acceptance of updated policy
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## 8. Summary

Key AUP Principles:

1. **Legal compliance required** – All uses must comply with applicable laws and regulations
2. **No illegal activities** – Prohibited: illegal trading, fraud, market manipulation
3. **No sanctioned entities** – Prohibited: use by sanctioned entities or in prohibited countries
4. **No high-risk environments** – Prohibited: medical, critical infrastructure, weapons systems
5. **No unauthorized redistribution** – Prohibited: redistribution, SaaS hosting, sublicensing
6. **Exchange compliance** – Licensee responsible for exchange rule and regulatory compliance
7. **Violations result in termination** – Material violations result in immediate license termination

This policy protects both parties and ensures responsible use of the Software.

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## Contact

For questions about acceptable use or to report violations:

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Subject: *Acceptable Use Policy Inquiry – Fox ML Infrastructure*

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## Related Documents

- `COMMERCIAL_LICENSE.md` – Commercial license terms (Section 4: Restrictions)
- `LEGAL/CLA.md` – Commercial License Agreement (Section 3: Restrictions)
- `LEGAL/EXPORT_COMPLIANCE.md` – Export control compliance requirements
- `LEGAL/INDEMNIFICATION.md` – Indemnification obligations