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License	Can Use / Modify / Share	Commercial Use	Must Open Source Changes?	Best Use Case
No License	✗ No	✗ No	✗ Yes (not allowed)	Private code, personal use
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Apache License 2.0	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✗ No	Professional / enterprise projects
GPL v3.0	✓ Yes	✗ Limited	✓ Yes (strong copyleft)	Force code to stay open-source
GPL v2.0	✓ Yes	✗ Limited	✓ Yes	Older open-source projects
LGPL v2.1	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	⚠ Partial (library changes only)	Libraries
BSD 2-Clause	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✗ No	Simple open-source projects
BSD 3-Clause	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✗ No	Open-source with name protection
Boost License 1.0	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✗ No	C++ libraries
Mozilla Public License 2.0	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	⚠ File-level only	Mixed open + closed source
AGPL v3.0	✓ Yes	✗ Limited	✓ Yes (even for web apps)	SaaS / Web apps
Eclipse Public License 2.0	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	⚠ Partial	Enterprise tools
CC0 1.0	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✗ No	Public domain code
The Unlicense	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✗ No	No ownership / demos

<b>Platform</b>	<b>Short Explanation</b>
<b>GitLab</b>	Git hosting with built-in CI/CD & DevOps tools
<b>Bitbucket</b>	Git hosting by Atlassian, good for teams
<b>SourceForge</b>	Old platform mainly for open-source projects
<b>Azure DevOps</b>	Microsoft's DevOps suite with Git repos
<b>Gitea</b>	Lightweight, self-hosted Git service
<b>Gogs</b>	Simple Git server for small teams
<b>AWS CodeCommit</b>	Git repository service by AWS
<b>Launchpad</b>	Used mainly for Ubuntu-related projects
<b>Codeberg</b>	Free & open-source Git hosting