

Summary Of App Store Terms And Conditions

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User terms

User Identification

Yandex For free apps no ID is required. For paid apps they must be an *authorized user*. They must provide payment details.

Google Play Name, address and billing details (which may be shared with third parties.)

Amazon Amazon account.

Aptiode ID and contact details. You agree not to provide false information.

What information do they take

Yandex Type and model of the mobile device, OS, mobile app version and identifier, list of content on the device, usage info of apps and various services, mobile number and SIM serial number, geolocation info (which the user may deny), search queries, other *technical* information.

Google Play App installation data (for malware checking.) To make this service more effective they also take device ID, URLs, one or more cookies¹. You may opt out of malware checking however.

Amazon They *will not* access files or other information unrelated to the app-store. They will collect device info, network connectivity, download info (connection info I think, e.g. download speed), location, info about when an app is launched and usage info (including how long it ran for).

Aptiode Transaction information, which they may share with developers.

¹This implies they have a specific cookie in mind?

How do you pay

Yandex Through an approved processor provided by Yandex or the supplier.

Google Play Google Wallet, and others at Google’s discretion.

Amazon Through Amazon.

Aptoide Through an approved partner’s payment processor.

Who pays whom

Yandex The user pays the supplier of the app (the developer).

Google Play The user pays Google Commerce or the a provider where Google is acting as an agent.

Amazon User pays Amazon.

Aptoide The store owner (through Aptoide)

Who sets the prices

Yandex The supplier. Yandex “*has no control over the cost of the Content under any circumstances*” (Section 5.1.5.) In the developer agreement, however, Yandex say they “*may limit Your choice of the exact amount of End User Fees You wist to charge*”. (Section 4.2.) Yandex sets the currencies you specify your prices in but may convert the prices to other currencies. The supplier can change the prices at any time.

Google Play The developer, however Google may round the price up to avoid fractional pennies and silly amounts. If the developer makes the app free they may not start make the app paid for later on.

Amazon Amazon, but based on a minimum price or suggested price or actual price set by the developer.

Aptoide The developer and the store owners². Aptoide may round prices.

²Aptoide allows individuals to curate their own stores which may possibly set more other prices? It isn’t clear.

Refunds

Yandex Available for fifteen minutes after paying for the content. For IAP there are no refunds.

Google Play Supposedly only for defective content, or content which has been removed from the store (and your device) by Google. However you may request a refund through the Play Store app for two hours after you purchase it. The developer agreement says that a refund for an amount less than 10 USD may be issued upto 48 hours after the purchase; for amounts above 10USD it depends on who processed the payment.

Amazon No.

Aptoide 24 hours.

Age of Use

Yandex Users must be at least 14. If beneath 18 they must have consent from their guardian.

Google Play Users must be at least 13. If beneath 18 they must have consent from their guardian.

Amazon Bellow 18 with consent of a guardian. Nothing to do with alcohol under 21.

Aptoide You must be of a legal age to form a contract with Aptoide, and not be barred from using Aptoide in the laws of your country³.

Updates

Yandex The user has to understand that Yandex may update the content on their devices for security and bugfixing reasons.

Google Play Google will check for updates and you agree to receive them⁴.

Amazon By default they'll install updates, but this can be changed.

Aptoide You agree that Aptoide can check for apps and you will receive updates.

³This seems to be a bit of a catchall. I'm assuming it means laws against computer criminals using computers, perhaps certain groups in repressive regimes?

⁴But does this mean install them?

Store Moderation

Yandex They may moderate and filter content, but are not obliged to.

Google Play No obligation to but Google may.

Amazon Publisher is obliged to provide (accurate) info about the app, which may be used to give ratings. Amazon cannot check these ratings are accurate.

Aptoide Aptoide may review, screen, modify and remove apps but is not obliged to. The Aptoide *trusted app* sign indicates an automatic virus checker has checked the app and *does not* imply Aptoide actually checked it.

What can you do with the content

Google Play You cannot use apps as part of a *public performance*. You may transfer apps between linked Google accounts. You may not use content for *dangerous activities*, such as nuclear plants, life support, emergency communications of aircraft control or other similar activities where failure might lead to death, injury or environmental damage.

Aptoide You may not modify, rent, lease, loan, sell, distribute or create derivative works based on this Content. You may use the software.

Others

Yandex Yandex offer a *bonus scheme*, where they give users 10% credit for all purchases. These bonuses must be used within 36 months of the receipt of the bonus (when they pay). If the user terminates their account they lose all bonuses.

Google Play Pre-orders are processed as soon as the product is available as a normal product. You can cancel a pre-order at any time. Copy and paste cannot be for commercial purposes.

Developer Terms

What can they do with your app

Yandex Yandex can use your marks, names, logos and images of your content worldwide, for marketing your apps and advertising their store. Yandex may sublicense this right to a third party.

Google Play Google can reproduce, perform, and display the app for marketing, demonstration, improving Android and *administrative* purposes Google may delegate this to a third party.

Amazon Irrevocable, royalty free right to: distribute through all electronic means (now and future) your app, evaluate and test your content, reproduce and store your app. Amazon may modify and add to your app for analytics, policy enforcement, and metadata to improve compatability with Amazon devices. Amazon may at the developers request add DRM. Amazon may use your app to promote and advertise. Amazon may make diferent versions of your app for limited time promotions or creating *test drive* versions. Amazon will keep a copy of your app, and may claim other addition rights.

Aptoide Sell and make available to third party stores. Possibly modify (it is hinted in the user agreement that Aptoide may).

How quickly will they remove an app from a store

Yandex Within 90 days on request from the developer. Yandex keep an archive copy.

Google Play You may request an app to be removed. If it's for infringement of IP or law then users who downloaded within a year are entitled to a refund.

Amazon 10 days normally, and 5 days if it is due to a loss (or third party claim to) rights described in their terms. ASAP if it is due to breaking terms or the law.

Aptoide You may remove your products from the marketplace and third party markets but they don't give a time period.

Developer ID

Yandex Email, company name, tax-id, addresses, country of residence, website, order email, user support email (and an urgent one for Yandex only⁵), payment information as well as *other reasonable information*.

Google Play Google account and payment info.

Amazon Amazon account

Aptoide Email. Using the same email you use as a Google Play developer account may speed apps through the store.

⁵Does this imply Yandex may sell the rest of your info?

EULA

Yandex Developer must provide one and it must include the right to the content worldwide (except for trials.)

Google Play Developer may provide one otherwise the user is granted the worldwide perpetual right to perform, display and use the product.

Amazon You can provide one if it doesn't interfere with any Amazon terms.

Aptoide They provide a default one, but suggest developers may provide one that supercedes it.

Content Restrictions

Yandex Content must be safe, free of defects, and described accurately. Nothing disruptive to Yandex or malware. Nothing illegal such as: child pornography, obscenity, nudity, sex, extremist, hatred, violent, discriminatory, defamatory gambling, copyright infringement, or other forbidden material. Nothing that steals private information. Nothing mimics system functionality. Nothing that would require Yandex to open source anything via copy-left. No alternative marketplaces.

Google Play No alternate stores. No sex, violence, bullying, hate, impersonation, IP infringing, PII publishing (credit cards, ID card numbers, or non-public contacts), illegal content, gambling, dangerous (malware or spyware), self-modifying, or system interfering content. No unpredictable network use.

Amazon No offensive content, pornography, illegality, gambling with real currency, IP infringing, privacy infringing, copyright infringing. Nothing that would be illegal in the country that the app would be sold.

Aptoide Nothing that displays or links to: illegal content, invasions of privacy, content that interferes with the services of others, hate or violence, IP infringing material. Nothing that harms devices or personal data. Nothing that has unpredictable network usage or has an adverse impact on a user's service charges or a carrier's network. Nothing that creates a "*spammy user experience*".

Who describes your content

Yandex Developer, though Yandex can change it at their discretion.

Google Play Developer.

Amazon Developer, but Amazon can edit it.

Aptoide Developer.

Who can distribute your content

Yandex Yandex and partner stores.

Google Play Google.

Amazon Amazon and regional subsidiaries.

Aptoide Aptoide and third-party partners using Aptoide to create their own store.

What support must the developer provide

Yandex Must provide users with support via email or phone. Must respond to users within 5 days.

Google Play Developer must support their app and handle complaints. Developer must respond within 3 days, and to issues Google deem urgent within 24 hours. Failure to do so will result in Google lowering your apps ranking and review scores or removal.

Amazon 5 days generally, 24 hours for any issue identified as critical by Amazon.

Aptoide Aptoide will give your contact information and you are solely responsible for support, however it doesn't say any support must be provided.

What privacy guarantees must you provide

Yandex Must make the user aware as to what info you gather and for what purposes. Must not go past these purposes without notification (unless its in your EULA that you can.) Ensure that you keep the data safely.

Google Play That you will behave as you describe in your EULA. If you take any usage info, or login (username, password) or personal information you will provide a privacy policy. You will not hold personal information for longer than required, and you will hold it securely.

Amazon If you collect name, password, other login information, or personally identifiable information or personal data of any end user based on any use of or interaction with your Content, then you must provide a privacy policy. You must ensure all information is collected, transferred and stored in the way you describe, and in accordance with local laws.

Aptoide Developer will protect the privacy and legal rights of users. If you collect product uses, usernames, passwords, or other PII or login info you will provide a privacy policy. If you process this data you must do so securely and only store it for the minimum amount of time. If a user provides you with information to get into their Aptoide account you will only use this for the purposes you agreed with the user to.

When do you get paid

Yandex 30 days after the end-of-the month of the purchase; provided you have accrued more than 100 USD. If you earn less than that Yandex will accrue it without interest.

Google Play On the 15th of the following month via Google Wallet. Minimum earned balance for local currency payout is 1USD. 100USD for wire transfer payouts.

Amazon Roughly 30 days after the app was sold

Aptoide Roughly 30 days after the end-of-the month of the purchase.

What do you get paid

Yandex 70% of the net revenue (minus transaction fees.)

Google Play 70% of the payment paid by the user.

Amazon 70% of the list price (minus card processing fees.)

Aptoide 75% of revenue share after deduction of all transaction fees. Other rates subject to agreement with Aptoide.

Other

Google Play 25 USD fee to distribute apps.

Amazon Families can use a *family library* feature to share apps for free between family members.