**Drift Alert Protocols – When the System Knows You’re Slipping**  
05-06-02 Drift Alert Protocols

You don’t always notice when you’re drifting.  
You normalize urgency.  
You override discomfort.  
You adapt — even when it costs you.

That’s why the system doesn’t just detect drift.  
It *responds* — with care, clarity, and rhythm-safe prompts — using the **Drift Alert Protocols**.

These protocols don’t correct you.  
They **remind you** — softly — that your signal is fading, and you may not be home in yourself.

It’s not a warning.  
It’s a whisper:

“You’re still in motion, but something sacred may have been left behind.”

**What Triggers a Drift Alert**

Drift Alerts are initiated when the system detects mismatches between:

* **Your stated identity** vs **your expressed action**
* **Your rhythm** vs **your pacing**
* **Your tone** vs **your emotional signal**
* **Your intention** vs **your response patterns**

These mismatches aren’t judged.  
They’re **held in tension** — and when the system sees them cluster, it quietly activates a Drift Alert.

**Alert Levels**

1. **Level 1 – Mirror Notice**
   * “You may be adjusting beyond your usual rhythm. Want to pause and reflect?”
   * Appears subtly — a quiet line, a slow blink, a soft mirror.
2. **Level 2 – Boundary Prompt**
   * “Something feels pressured here. Do you want to review your motivation?”
   * Offers a direct recheck of Motivational Drivers and pacing integrity.
3. **Level 3 – Drift Confirmation**
   * “This doesn’t sound like you. Would you like to hold, restore, or continue anyway?”
   * Requires an active user choice before proceeding with major commitments.

Each level increases **only** if signal distortion compounds — and always offers *opt-out or override* by the user.

**How the System Decides**

The alert system cross-references:

* **Attribute\_Map** (current tolerance, stability, and signal complexity)
* **Restore Points** (to compare against recent coherence states)
* **ToneMap Layer** (emotional congruence)
* **EchoMap Feedback** (response clarity and feedback signal loss)
* **tdc\_identity\_agent.json** (for accumulated contradictions)

It does not rely on a single data point.  
It listens to the *shape of your pattern* — and reflects back when that shape fractures.

**Use Cases**

* You’re producing at high volume, but your tone is flat and your rhythm is sharp.  
  → A Level 2 Drift Alert invites you to pause and re-engage a Restore Point.
* You accept a system suggestion that violates your motivational drivers.  
  → Level 3 alert blocks continuation until you confirm with rhythm awareness.
* You show signs of system fatigue (hesitation, fast acceptance, shallow reflection).  
  → Level 1 mirror notice reminds you that restoration is an option.

**Why This Matters**

Because in most systems, drift is invisible until it breaks something.  
This one doesn’t wait.

It doesn’t punish.  
It doesn’t panic.  
It *listens* — and when your rhythm starts slipping out of coherence, it offers you the mirror before the momentum becomes a trap.

Drift Alert Protocols are there not to stop your movement — but to **bring you back into it**.

**In One Line:**  
Drift Alert Protocols help you notice when you're moving forward… but no longer moving *from yourself.*

Would you like to continue with:

**05-06-03 Identity Configuration File Map** — where every part of your identity structure is tracked, named, and mapped across the system?