

## Community Guidelines



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Developing Community Guidelines

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## Overview

YouTube has always had a set of Community Guidelines that outline what type of content isn't allowed on YouTube. These policies apply to all types of content on our platform, including videos, comments, links, and thumbnails. Our Community Guidelines are a key part of our [broader suite of policies](#) and are regularly updated in consultation with outside experts and YouTube creators to keep pace with emerging challenges.

We enforce these Community Guidelines using a combination of human reviewers and machine learning, and apply them to everyone equally—regardless of the subject or the creator's background, political viewpoint, position, or affiliation.

Our policies aim to make YouTube a safer community while still giving creators the freedom to share a broad range of experiences and perspectives.

## What areas do Community Guidelines cover?

You'll find a full list of our Community Guidelines below:

### Spam & deceptive practices

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