

1. General Conduct

- Treat all members with respect. Harassment, bullying, hate speech, or personal attacks are strictly prohibited.
- Keep language appropriate. Excessive profanity, sexual content, or offensive slurs are not allowed.
- Avoid spam or self-promotion outside designated areas. Promote your music only in approved channels or submissions.
- Do not impersonate other users, artists, or SongVersus staff.

2. Content Guidelines

- Only upload music, beats, or vocals that you **own the rights to**, or have permission to use. Unauthorized use of copyrighted material is prohibited.
- All submissions must comply with SongVersus rules and cannot contain illegal, explicit, or harmful content.
- Misleading titles, tags, or metadata (e.g., claiming your song is by a famous artist when it isn't) are not allowed.
- Song files must be clear and audible. Extremely low-quality, corrupted, or incomplete files may be removed.

2a. AI Content Rules

- **No fully AI-generated songs are allowed**, except in specific tournament contexts. This ensures the community maintains creative integrity and fair competition.
- **AI vocals may be used** in a production sense (e.g., backing harmonies, ad-libs, or texture layers), **but the main performance must be human** unless otherwise stated in tournament rules.
- Songs that rely entirely on AI for vocals, lyrics, or production will be removed unless participating in an AI-allowed tournament.
- Any use of AI must be disclosed in the submission metadata (e.g., "Contains AI-generated backing vocals").
- Violations of AI content rules may result in removal of the song and/or account penalties.

3. Battles & Challenges

- Respect the competitive nature of SongVersus: critiques should be constructive. Personal attacks toward other participants are forbidden.
- Submissions to battles must meet deadlines. Late submissions may be disqualified.
- Votes should reflect personal opinion on music quality and creativity, not personal relationships.
- Do not manipulate votes or create fake accounts to boost rankings.

4. Intellectual Property

- By uploading to SongVersus, you confirm you **own the rights** or have proper licenses for all submitted content.

- SongVersus reserves the right to remove content that violates copyright laws, community standards, or AI content rules.
- Users retain ownership of their music but grant SongVersus permission to display, stream, and promote submissions on the platform.

5. Account & Safety

- One account per user. Multiple accounts to bypass bans or manipulate votes are prohibited.
- Keep your login information secure. SongVersus is not responsible for account theft due to sharing passwords.
- Report any suspicious activity to SongVersus staff immediately.

6. Moderation & Enforcement

- Violation of any rules may result in warnings, content removal, temporary bans, or permanent account suspension.
- Decisions by SongVersus moderators are final. Disputes will be reviewed fairly but respectfully.
- Users can appeal moderation decisions through official support channels.

7. Community Engagement

- Constructive feedback is encouraged. Give detailed critiques rather than just positive/negative reactions.
- Collaborations are encouraged but must follow the same rules as individual submissions.
- Celebrate diversity: SongVersus welcomes all genres, styles, and backgrounds.

8. AI & Tournaments Exception

- Certain tournaments may allow **fully AI-generated songs**, but this will always be explicitly stated in the tournament rules.
- Users entering these tournaments must follow the rules outlined for AI use in that specific competition.
- Outside of tournaments, submissions must prioritize human creativity. AI can assist in production but cannot replace main creative elements.

9. Updates to Rules

- SongVersus reserves the right to update rules and guidelines at any time. Users are responsible for reviewing them regularly.
- Major changes will be communicated via email or platform notifications.