AIRA FAQs v1.0

AI Reviewed, Author Generated Frequently Asked Questions About the AIRA Standard

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1. Scope

1.1

This document provides answers to frequently asked questions regarding the AIRA Standard, AIRA Framework, and associated governance and adoption materials.

1.2

The FAQ is informative and does not introduce new normative requirements.

2. Normative References

- AIRA Standard v1.0
- AIRA Framework v1.0
- AIRA Governance Charter v1.0

3. General Questions

3.1 What is AIRA?

AIRA (AI-Reviewed, Author-Generated) is a transparency standard for content created by humans with non-material assistance from AI systems. It ensures that authorship remains human while AI involvement is disclosed clearly and consistently.

3.2 Why was AIRA created?

AIRA was created to address the growing need for transparency in content workflows where AI tools assist but do not replace human authorship. It provides a standardized, verifiable method for disclosing AI involvement.

3.3 Who maintains AIRA?

AIRA is stewarded and maintained by tierverify-org, as defined in the AIRA Governance Charter.

3.4 Is AIRA legally required?

No. AIRA is a voluntary transparency standard. However, organizations may adopt it to meet internal governance, ethical, or regulatory expectations.

4. AI Involvement Questions

4.1 What counts as “non-material assistance”?

Non-material assistance includes tasks that do not alter the author’s ideas or intent, such as:

- grammar
- clarity
- formatting
- structural suggestions
- summarization
- error detection

4.2 What counts as “material contribution”?

Material contributions include:

- generating new ideas
- rewriting content with new meaning
- introducing claims or arguments
- altering the author’s intent

Material contributions fall outside the scope of AIRA.

4.3 Can AI generate part of the content?

No. Under AIRA, the author must be responsible for the ideas, intent, and meaning. AI may refine but not originate content.

5. Disclosure Questions

5.1 When is disclosure required?

Disclosure is required whenever AI provides **any** non-material assistance to human-generated content.

5.2 What does an AIRA Disclosure Statement look like?

The standard format is:

“This content was created by a human author with non-material assistance from an AI system in accordance with the AIRA Standard.”

5.3 Where should disclosures be placed?

Placement depends on the medium:

- written content -> end of document
- digital content -> metadata
- audiovisual content -> captions or credits

- code -> commit messages

5.4 Can disclosures be automated?

Yes. Platforms may automate disclosures as long as they meet the requirements in the AIRA Standard.

6. Documentation Questions

6.1 What documentation is required?

Minimal documentation is recommended, including:

- AI system used
- type of assistance
- date of assistance
- confirmation of non-materiality

6.2 Does documentation need to be public?

No. Documentation must support verification but does not need to be publicly accessible unless required by organizational policy.

7. Conformance Questions

7.1 What are the AIRA conformance levels?

AIRA defines three levels:

- Level 1 - Basic Disclosure
- Level 2 - Detailed Disclosure
- Level 3 - Full Documentation

7.2 How do I claim conformance?

A conformance claim must specify:

- the level of conformance
- the version of the AIRA Standard
- the scope of the claim

7.3 Who verifies conformance?

Verification may be performed by:

- authors
- organizations
- platforms
- third-party auditors

8. Adoption Questions

8.1 How do individuals adopt AIRA?

By:

- using AI only for non-material assistance
- reviewing all AI suggestions
- generating disclosures
- maintaining minimal documentation

8.2 How do organizations adopt AIRA?

By:

- establishing internal AIRA policies
- training staff
- standardizing disclosures
- integrating AIRA into workflows

8.3 How do platforms adopt AIRA?

By:

- integrating automated disclosure mechanisms
- providing metadata fields
- enforcing placement rules
- supporting verification

9. Edge Case Questions

9.1 What if AI only fixed typos?

Disclosure is still required.
AIRA applies to **any** non-material AI assistance.

9.2 What if AI suggested a sentence but I rewrote it?

If the idea originated from the author and AI only refined it, AIRA applies.
If the idea originated from AI, AIRA does **not** apply - that is material contribution.

9.3 What if AI was used only for formatting?

Formatting assistance is non-material and requires disclosure.

9.4 What if AI was used only to check for errors?

Error detection is non-material and requires disclosure.

10. Miscellaneous Questions

10.1 Is AIRA compatible with other transparency standards?

Yes. AIRA is designed to complement existing transparency, authorship, and governance frameworks.

10.2 Will AIRA evolve over time?

Yes. Revisions will follow the governance and versioning processes defined in the AIRA Governance Charter.

10.3 Where can I find updates?

Updates will be published in the official AIRA repository maintained by tierverify-org.

Annex A (Informative): Quick Reference

A.1 When to Disclose
A.2 How to Disclose
A.3 What to Document
A.4 Conformance Levels
A.5 Where to Find Official Documents

Annex B (Informative): Example FAQ Additions for Organizations

B.1 Internal Policy Questions
B.2 Staff Training Questions
B.3 Platform Integration Questions

Annex C (Informative): Change History

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