State of Indiana
Indiana Office of Technology

Information Resources Use Agreement (IRUA)

Information Resources are provided by the State to support the business of State government. The term “Information Resources” includes all State hardware, software, data, information, network, personal computing devices, phones, and other information technology. To use Information Resources, you agree to adhere to the provisions of this agreement which are established to ensure security and inform you of the conditions of use.

1. Appropriate Use.

   a. Use for State Business. I understand that Information Resources are to be used solely to conduct the business of State government with exceptions limited to those provided by State Ethics Rule 42 IAC 1-5-12 and my agency’s policy.

   b. Approved Information Resources. I shall only use Information Resources owned, licensed, or being evaluated by the State and shall not use personal or third party information resources, excluding cell phones, at State facilities unless I have obtained prior written approval from my management and the State Chief Information Security Officer (CISO).

   c. Protecting from Misuse & Damage. I shall use care in protecting against unauthorized access, misuse, theft, damage, or unauthorized modification of Information Resources. I shall not leave a workstation without first ensuring it is properly secured from unauthorized access. I shall use good judgment to safely transport and store Information Resources in and away from the workplace.

   d. Public Disclosure & Monitoring. I understand that any information created, accessed, or stored on Information Resources may be subject to public disclosure. The State reserves the right to monitor any and all use of Information Resources, including my e-mail and Internet use, and I have no right or expectation of privacy with respect to my use of Information Resources.

2. Prohibited Activities. I understand that activities prohibited by this agreement may not be permitted without the prior written approval of the CISO. Prohibited activities include:

   a. Unauthorized Disclosure of Confidential Information. I shall not disclose confidential information to unauthorized parties. This includes Social Security, driver’s license, identification card, financial account, credit card, or debit card numbers. It also includes security and access codes, passwords of an individual’s financial account, or personal health information. I acknowledge that certain information is confidential or discretionary by law and it is my duty to protect that information from unauthorized disclosure.

   b. Downloads. I shall not install any software, including privately purchased or downloaded software such as sniffers, password crackers, games, screen savers, peer to peer software, remote control software, etc., without a legitimate State purpose. I shall not intentionally sustain high volume network traffic for non-business purposes which hinder others’ use of the network and may increase State costs.

   c. Violation of Law. I shall not use Information Resources to violate any law, including copyright or other intellectual property law. I shall not copy, share, or distribute software without authorization.

   d. Unauthorized Use. I shall not permit unauthorized users to use the Information Resources that the State has provided me. I shall promptly report any unauthorized use to my manager or the CISO.

   e. Access. I shall not share confidential computer password(s) with any other person nor shall I use another person’s confidential computer password(s). I shall not access or attempt to access information which I have no authorization or business need to access. I shall connect to the State network only through approved services (e.g. – Citrix and VPN services are approved; a direct dial-up connection to a work PC modem is prohibited).
f. **Remote Control.** I shall not use any remote control software or service on any internal or external host personal computers or systems not specifically approved by agency management, IOT support, and the CISO.

g. **Circumvention of Security Measures.** I shall not bypass or attempt to bypass measures in place to protect Information Resources from security threats and inappropriate use. I shall not disable software on computing devices designed to protect Information Resources from malware (virus, WORM, etc.).

h. **Unauthorized Devices.** I shall not place unauthorized computing or network devices on the State network.

3. **Storage of Information.** I shall store State owned information only on State provided storage media. Storage of State information on non-State owned PCs, laptops, flash drives, CDs and other forms of media is prohibited. With appropriate authorization, I am allowed to access and store State email messages on my personal cell phone.

4. **Adherence to Security Guidance.** I shall ensure that protective measures are implemented promptly, as directed by IOT, and that computing devices are connected to the network at least once per month to receive protective updates and patches.

5. **Spam Awareness and Email Performance.** I shall be aware of the characteristics and dangers of spam messages. I shall not navigate to web links embedded in spam messages. I shall not send or reply to messages that would negatively impact the performance of the email system (e.g. – “replying to all” on a message received in error).

6. **Violations & Uncertainty.** I shall report violations of this agreement to my manager or the CISO upon learning of such violations. If I am uncertain whether an activity is permissible, I will refrain from the activity and obtain authorization from my manager before proceeding.

7. **Disciplinary Action.** I am aware that any inappropriate use of Information Resources or my failure to comply with this agreement may result in disciplinary action, up to and including immediate dismissal from employment, criminal prosecution where the act constitutes a violation of law, and an action for breach of contract if applicable.

8. **Changes and additional information.** I understand this policy will be updated, the State will make reasonable efforts to inform me of the changes, and I am held accountable to abide by the current version posted at [http://iot.in.gov/security/irua/](http://iot.in.gov/security/irua/). On this website I can also find IRUA clarifications and exceptions as well as answers to frequently asked questions.

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Printed name

Signature

Date (month, day, and year)