

# Nirma University

## Wireless Network Resources:- Rules and Regulations for wireless Access of NU

The use of wireless network resources (wireless network connection etc.), which are allocated to students, faculty and staff members of Nirma University, are subject to the rules and conditions set forth within "**NU Computing and Networking Access Rules**" which are as below.

1. While using Institute/Nirma University (NU) IT Resources, the users should respect the copyright and intellectual property rights for all the resources created using Institute/Nirma University resources such as software, hardware, network resources. Users can use such resources by carefully observing such rules and procedures as obtaining permission/approval, adhering to licensing terms, complying with networking ethics etc...
2. **Authorization and responsibilities**
  - The CSE Department of IT-NU makes available IT Resources to the users and maintains the operation and connectivity of the services in campus. CSE department will assign user name and password to the users for wireless access. For wireless access user must contact administrator, wireless network at A-104 computer centre with his/her laptop with duly filled registration form to complete registration process.
  - The users of Institute/University are themselves solely responsible from the activities they perform on Institute/University servers with the "User name/Password" pairs and IP (Internet Protocol) addresses those are assigned to them.
  - The Institute/University administration reserves all the rights to take appropriate action in the issues causing disputes amongst Institute/University Users/Special Users and the third parties.
  - The Director IT-NU or committee appointed by Director, IT-NU is authorized and entitled to specify the all encompassing rules, regulations and policies about usage of IT Resources, review and revise them regularly according to the demands of the emerging new technologies, implement and enforce the amendments as and when required. The changes committed shall be announced publicly via web site on URL: <http://www.nirmauni.ac.in/it/download/WIFIRR.pdf>
3. **General guide line for wireless users:**
  - This wireless access facility will be available during working hours of the Institute/ University.
  - Use of the wireless/computing facilities/services must comply with the law of Institute/University, Government and all other concern regulatory authorities.
  - Use of the Institute/University computing facilities/services must not interfere with any other user's usage. Detection of any such incident will lead to disciplinary action.
  - User is not entitled to use computing facilities/services those he/she has not been authorised to use.
  - User must not access any program or data which he/she has not been specifically authorised for the use.
  - User must not use or copy any data or program belonging to other users without their explicit and specific permission.
  - User must not use Institute/University computing facilities/services to harass, defame, libel, slander, intimidate, impersonate or otherwise abuse another person. In such cases legal action will be taken against user(s).

- User must not use Institute/University computing facilities/services for the creation, collection, storage, downloading or displaying of any offensive, obscene, indecent or menacing images, data or material capable of being resolved into such. (There may be certain legitimate exceptions for academic purposes which would require the fullest disclosure and special authorisations)
  - Users must not use the Institute/University computing facilities/services to conduct any form of commercial activity without explicit permission. Use of “computing services” for commercial work may be governed by software licence constraints and users should verify that the intended use is permissible under the terms of those licences with their local IT Support Staff.
  - Users must not use the Institute/University computing facilities/services to disseminate mass (unsolicited) mailings.
  - Users must not install, use or distribute software on his/her laptop for which he/she has not had a licence or permission.
  - In general, use of Institute/University “computing services” is available to users for study, research, academic work and administrative purpose of the Institute.
4. The personal use of the wireless network facilities by the users should in no way disrupt access priorities of those users that use the network for such **instructional, academic, research and administrative objectives**. In this respect, users must comply following points:
- a. Peer-to-peer (P2P) file sharing programs, as well as violating copyright and licensing rules, use up an excessive amount of bandwidth that consequently hinders the use of network resources for purposes of priority. For this reason, it is strictly forbidden to use the "**peer-to-peer**" file sharing programs - even if they are used inside the campus network. Such usage includes, **but is not limited to**, the following programs:  
  
*KaZaA, iMesh, eDonkey2000, Gnutella, Napster, Aimster, Madster, FastTrack, Audiogalaxy, MFTP, eMule, Overnet, NeoModus, Direct Connect, Acquisition, BearShare, Gnucleus, GTK-Gnutella, LimeWire, Mactella, Morpheus, Phex, Qtella, Shareaza, XoLoX, OpenNap, WinMX, DC++, BitTorrent etc..*
  - b. It is forbidden to use wireless network resources for **mass mailing, mail bombing, sending spam** and users are not allowed to provide the means to the third parties to perform similar acts.
  - c. It is prohibited to keep possession of server computers that **provide internet service** (web hosting service, e-mail service etc.) via wireless network.
  - d. Wireless network facilities of the Institute/University (network connection, user name, local/off-campus access etc.), which are granted as a privilege to the Institute faculty member, staff member or as a student, will be used by every user in an appropriate, legal, ethical and considerate manner in accordance with the codes of behaviour and the regulations. It is the sole responsibility of all users that they are not endangering the safety of the resources by providing intentionally or unintentionally the means to **the third parties to access to network resources in other words, users must not pave the way for others to exploit privileges and act as if they are authorized to own the legitimate rights of the Institute/University users**. (proxy, relay, IP sharer, NAT etc., username/password). The user alone is answerable and accountable for every unlawful and unwanted consequence that may result from this act.

f. It is forbidden to commit **activities that threaten the security of the network** (DoS attack, port-network scan etc.)

g. Users are definitely not allowed to **change the any settings which are provided** by administrator of wireless network interface. These settings are to be handled and verified to the authentication system of the IT-NU. If due to hardware failure (as in the cases of breakdown or failure of wireless network access card etc.) users must certainly report it to administrator of wireless network at A-104 computer centre to carry out the proper procedure for desired change. (The new computer/wireless network card will not gain access to the wireless network, unless it is not authenticated by the authentication system).

5. If the use of the computing and networking facilities is proven to be incompatible with the educational and scholarly missions of the Institute/University and law of Government, and if the user has been proven to behave irresponsibly, inappropriately and illegally in a manner displaying disruptive and inappropriate conduct that endanger the efficiency, integrity, safety and continuity of networking services; and if the user breaches the rules and regulations set forth in this document, one or more of the following disciplinary actions may be taken as a reasonable response to eliminate threatening and abusive behaviour;

- The user may be warned verbally or with a written notification.
- Local and/or off-campus network access privileges may be restricted, for a specified term or indefinitely.
- Local and/or off-campus network access privileges may be suspended, modified or withheld for a specified term or indefinitely.
- The user codes and user accounts on the central server systems may be terminated for a specified term or indefinitely.
- Disciplinary mechanism of Institute/University such as investigation or prosecution may be initiated by the academic or administrative disciplinary proceedings/committee.
- judicial proceedings may be started,
- Any suitable disciplinary action as decided by the authority.

depending on

- the severity misconduct
- the magnitude of the resulting damage (on the resources and persons/organizations),
- recurrence of the misconduct

6. The wireless user, who has been proven to have disregarded or violated the rules and regulations, will be forewarned by the discipline committee. If one or more of the provisions of this policy are violated and IT Resources are inappropriately used, this may result in one or more disciplinary action(s) as stated above.

These rules and regulations become effective as soon as they are publicized. The Institute reserves **the right to amend these Rules and Regulations** at any time without prior notice. The **updated version of the rules and regulations** is available on web site on URL: <http://www.nirmauni.ac.in/it/download/WIFIRR.pdf>.