ResNet Acceptable Use Policies (AUP)

Student violations of the ResNet AUP will be handled through the H&RS Judicial Affairs Office; other violations will be referred, as appropriate, to the Dean of Students, and/or the University Police Department.

Governing Laws

The use of network services at UCSB is a privilege, and not a right. While on any UCSB network, all UCSB students are expected to adhere to all applicable ResNet, University, local, state, and Federal laws. Residential Network Services reserves the right to terminate your connection at any time if any malicious, belligerent, or inimical activity is suspected. Failure to cooperate with any University official is grounds for immediate connection termination.

Distribution of Copyrighted Materials

Distributing copyrighted materials without the consent of the owner is against federal law. Students found offering such material will have their connection terminated for a minimum of thirty (30) days for their first instance of copyright infringement. Professors will not accept a DMCA-ResNet termination as an excuse for incomplete or tardy schoolwork.

Peer to Peer (p2p)

Additionally, UCSB does not tolerate the use of peer-to-peer applications if they interfere with the regular operation of the campus network. UCSB strongly discourages students from running these p2p applications in order to avoid having their Internet connection terminated.

Scanning or Monitoring Network Data

Your connection may not be used for scanning or monitoring network data by any means. This includes scanning other user's computers for available services or exploits. Inappropriate access of computers, networks, use of passwords not obtained through proper procedures, and/or disruptive activity on computer systems are considered a violation of ResNet policy. This includes scanning ports on any computers for any reason or knowingly distributing computer viruses. Prosecution under state and federal laws may also apply.

Interfering with Others’ Use

ResNet is a shared resource. Network use or applications which inhibit or interfere with the use of the network by others are not permitted (e.g. applications which use an unusually high portion of the bandwidth for extended periods of time, thus inhibiting the use of the network by others). Users may be asked to cease any system activity that directly or indirectly causes a problem on the network.

Proxy Servers

ResNet may not be used to provide UC Santa Barbara computer services or internet access to any computer outside of ResNet. This specifically includes any private Wireless Access Point in a student room, any kind of proxy server, or dial up services. Students found running and/or using any such devices or services will be subject to disciplinary action.

Misrepresentation

 Forgery or other misrepresentation of one's identity via electronic or any other form of communication is a violation of University policy. This includes (but is not limited to) forging of IP addresses or Ethernet hardware addresses to conceal your computer's identity. Prosecution under state and federal laws may also apply.

Non-Commercial Use Only

It is against state law to use state owned resources for personal gain. Thus, a ResNet connection may not be used for any money making activity. This includes web pages with any kind of advertising or fees associated with their use. ResNet network services and wiring may not be modified or extended beyond the area of their intended use of one computer per data jack. This applies to all network hardware, computer lab equipment and in-room data jacks.

Non-Resident & Guest Users

Use of ResNet resources is governed by Housing & Residential Services and UC Santa Barbara Policies and Campus Regulations Applying to Campus Activities, Organization, and Students publication. Non-resident users (i.e., guests) are also expected to abide by these policies and all guidelines mentioned herein when using these resources. Every UCSB student will be held personally responsible for any guest violations of this AUP or any other UC Policy.

Right to Search

In accordance with University guidelines and/or court orders, files and transmissions may be subject to search and examination by system administrators or employees as required to protect users and the integrity of computers systems such as those that are suspected to be involved in unauthorized use or misuse, or that have been corrupted or damaged.

Termination of Service

Residential Network Services reserves the right to terminate any in-room or lab computer connection without notice should it be determined that network traffic generated from said connection inhibits or interferes with the use of the network by others.