u:account – Regulations for Use

Whoever registers for a u:account and the use of these services is **obliged to abide by the following regulations for use.**

I. Purpose of the u:account

1) The u:account is the **access to all services** for all those studying and all employees of the University of Vienna.

2) The u:account is primarily conceived as an **aid to academic work.**

II. Intended use

1) If use is **in accordance with the purpose** of the u:account, then all activities necessary for use are **permitted.**

2) The Vienna University **Computer Center (ZID – Zentraler Informatikdienst)** decides in an actual case whether or not a specific use is in accordance with the purpose of the u:account.

III. Inadmissible use

1) Use for **commercial or business purposes** is not allowed.

2) **Excessive use for private purposes** or personal activities is not permitted.

3) **Commercial advertising** is not permitted. However, discussions about advantages and disadvantages of a product between users is permitted.

4) Usage with the aim of **illegal activity**, as well as the attempt to gain unauthorized access to systems, software, services or information is not permitted.

5) All transmitted messages which **endanger public order and safety or morals**, or which **transgress the law**, are not permitted.
6) Usage which has the effect of **annoying** or **frightening** another user is not permitted.

7) Those uses which hinder another user or service provider, or **disturb the proper functioning** of the u:account or associated networks, is not permitted.

8) The **unauthorized copying and distribution of software**, as well as all kinds of use contrary to copyright law, are not permitted.

### IV. Obligations of users

1) The user is obliged to take note of the regulations for use and to **obey the instructions** of the authorized personnel.

2) The user bears the **responsibility** of ensuring that the network infrastructure at his/her disposal and the services offered are **not used illegally** by third parties.

3) The user bears full responsibility for the use of his/her permitted use. **Transference of permitted** use to another person is **not allowed**. The user must keep his/her password strictly secret and occasionally alter it.

4) On suspicion of misuse of one’s own or another’s permitted use, the user **must report the suspicion** to the Vienna University Computer Center (ZID – Zentraler Informatikdienst).

5) The user declares himself/herself prepared to **support** the Vienna University Computer Center (ZID – Zentraler Informatikdienst) and organizations working together with the Vienna University Computer Center (ZID – Zentraler Informatikdienst), **when investigating** impermissible use or damage.

6) If the user should use the u:account in order to gain access to other networks or services, then the user **must hold to the regulations** for this network and possible networks in between.

7) Users can be made **responsible and liable for all harm** done to the u:account, their services and the services of third parties brought about within the scope of the use of the u:account.

8) The user must take care to use the u:account on the principles of **sensible and economical use**, in order to minimize the load on the u:account.

9) The user will undertake **no manipulation** of the infrastructure and the services of the u:account.

10) The **illegal copying of IT programs** residing with the Vienna University Computer Center (ZID – Zentraler Informatikdienst) is prohibited. Should copies be illegally produced, the user will be made liable for
claims made upon the Vienna University Computer Center (ZID – Zentraler Informatikdienst) by the Licensor.

V. Denial of permitted use

The Vienna University Computer Center (ZID – Zentraler Informatikdienst) reserves the right to sever active network connections of a user, if an impermissible use is discovered. In the case of a recurrence the user's permitted use can be withdrawn.

VI. Further applicable rules (German only)

- Datenschutzgesetz
- Auszug aus den Paragraphen des Österreichischen Strafgesetzbuches (StGB):
  - § 126a Datenbeschädigung
  - § 126b Störung der Funktionsfähigkeit eines Computersystems
  - § 126c Missbrauch von Computerprogrammen oder Zugangsdaten
  - § 148a Betrügerischer Datenverarbeitungsmißbrauch
- Telekommunikationsgesetz 2003 (TKG 2003)
- Teile des Urheberrechtsgesetzes
- Offenlegungspflicht nach § 25 MedienG