

THE AUSTIN HEALEY CLUB LTD



Terms & Conditions for the Use of Computer Facilities

Introduction

1. These rules are issued on the authority of the National Executive Committee of the Austin Healey Club Ltd. They apply to the use of all computer facilities provided or made available by the Club.
2. These rules specify what is applicable to all users. Users of particular services which are only available after allocation of a username or similar, must in addition comply with all rules appertaining to the particular service concerned. Such rules shall be issued on the authority of the person in charge of the service concerned, and those registering may be required to sign an undertaking (or an electronic equivalent) that they are aware of the rules and undertake to comply with them.

Definition of 'Computer Facilities'

3. In these rules, the term computer facilities includes all computer hardware including peripheral equipment and all devices for communication between computers. It also includes all software, including operating systems and all forms of programs and stored data, whether made available directly by the Club or merely accessed via the internet.

Restrictions on Use

4. Computer facilities owned by or made available through the Club will generally have been supplied on the understanding that their use will be restricted to particular purposes. Accordingly there is a general rule that the computer facilities shall only be used by officers of the Club, and such other persons who may be so authorised by the Club; and then only for bona fide Club use, except where other uses have been duly authorised by the Club. It should be noted that 'authorised by the Club' means that the user concerned has either:

- received authorisation in writing on behalf of the Club Secretary who has the authority give such authorisation on behalf of the National Executive Committee or
- signed up online and an account has been authorised for their use.

Other General Rules

5. Computer facilities may only be used on the basis that the Club will not accept any liability whatsoever for correctness of results, or of any loss, damage, injury or expense which may result.
6. All users shall take all reasonable measures to prevent access to computer facilities by unauthorised persons, or any use which is in conflict with these rules.
7. All users shall treat other users with respect and refrain from:
 - publishing obscene or offensive material or
 - bullying, trolling or conducting other forms of personal online attacks.

8. No user may infringe any copyright of any software or documentation. All material must be assumed to be protected by copyright unless there is specific evidence to the contrary. No material may be copied without the express permission of the copyright holder.

9. No data of a personal nature may be stored or processed without the user first considering the implications in relation to the Data Protection Act (1998) and ensuring that the proposed storage and use of the data falls within the scope of the Club's responsibilities under the Act.

10. No user shall by any wilful or deliberate act, or by failure to act with due and reasonable care:

- jeopardise the integrity of the computer facilities or any of the programs or data held therein;
- jeopardise the work of other users of the facilities;
- attempt, without proper authority, to access, copy, modify or disseminate information which is not intended for his/her use.

This shall apply to all computing locations to which the facilities of the Club allow access.

11. The attention of all users is drawn to the various English legislation which relates to computer use, and in particular to the:

- Computer Misuse Act (1990)
- Defamation Act (1996)
- Data Protection Act (1998)

12. The Club is also required to comply with the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 and subsequent Anti-Terrorism legislation. Relevant information on use of Club computing systems may need to be provided to the authorities to comply with the requirements of this legislation.

13. The Club will be fully prepared to seek the prosecution of any person believed to have committed an offence under current English legislation in relation to its computer facilities. The Club will offer no support or indemnity to anyone prosecuted under this legislation.

Breaches of Rules

14. Breaches of these rules by members of the Club may be dealt with under the Club's Article 6 of the Articles of Association. Such action may be additional to any action taken by the Police or by the Crown Prosecution Service.

15. The Webmaster may, on the instruction of the National Executive Committee through the Club Secretary, exclude anyone from access to any or all of the Club computing facilities whilst possible breaches of the rules by them are being investigated, and also if it is subsequently established that a breach of the rules has occurred.