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Electronic Resource Use

OBJECTIVE:

Just as The University of Tennessee, Knoxville has policies about information technology, the UT Libraries has guidelines for use of electronic resources. Unlike print materials, most electronic resources are licensed, not owned, by UT Libraries for use by students, faculty, and staff for their study and research purposes. The owners of each electronic resource define what they consider to be appropriate use, and they monitor use to detect potential abuse of their intellectual property.

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By using electronic resources licensed by UT Libraries, users agree to review and comply with any applicable term and conditions.

Users agree that they will not

- Violate any copyright, trademark, patent, or other intellectual property right associated with the electronic resource;
- Use the electronic resource for any purpose other than educational or research purposes;
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- Copy or install the electronic resource to his or her personal computer or other electronic medium;
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- Use the electronic resource in an illegal or otherwise improper manner.

For more information on users’ rights, see UT Libraries Copyright Information.

Authorized users and use
| Knoxville Campus Policy:          |
| IT00002-K Electronic Resource Use | Version 1 | Effective Date: 06/14/2018 |

- An authorized user is a current student, faculty or staff member of UT Knoxville.
- Persons using a computer on the UT Knoxville campus network are considered authorized users for many, but not all, electronic resources.
- Off-campus/remote use is available for many, but not all, electronic resources for faculty, staff, and currently enrolled students at UT Knoxville.
- An authorized user may copy reasonable amounts of the electronic use for personal or private study purposes.
- UT Knoxville will not be held liable for any unauthorized use of electronic resources. UT Knoxville, at its discretion, will penalize unauthorized use as it sees fit.