



## Royal Society of Chemistry Wireless Access Policy

### Introduction

It is recognised that wireless broadband access could offer great benefits to the Royal Society of Chemistry's members and visitors to its meeting room and library facilities. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that usage of available wireless services adheres to applicable laws and also the policies and regulations of the Royal Society of Chemistry.

### Scope of this Policy

This policy applies to all RSC staff, guests and members of other institutions which have been granted individual or federated access to any of the available wireless services at any RSC location.

### Wireless Regulations

Regulations which any user of RSC wireless services must adhere to:

1. **Acceptance of responsibility:** A user will be held responsible for any breach of regulations carried out using a connection authenticated with their username or associated account. This includes action taken by others.
2. **Identification:** You must not attempt to authenticate yourself using another person's or organisation's credentials.
3. **Network security:** We reserve the right to conduct scans of the network in order to determine what computers are connected to it and what services they are operating. You may not configure your computer to use any network address other than those allocated to you.
4. **Computer security:** You must ensure that your computer has up to date anti-virus software and that all operating system updates and other security updates are installed. You must remove any malware found on your computer.
5. **Service operation:** You must not do anything that interferes with the operation of the wireless service. This includes using an unfair or excessive share of the available network bandwidth.
6. **Copyright:** It is illegal and against Janet AUP to copy or share movies, music, software and other copyrighted material without permission from the copyright holder. You must not do this, whether intentionally or as a failure to correctly configure a file sharing program on your computer.
7. **eduroam extra policies:** When using the eduroam service, you must also obey the JRS usage policy and any policies of organisation providing the eduroam access.

### Unacceptable Usage

As well as adhering to the above regulations, users must also ensure that they do not breach any of the following guidelines on what is determined as unacceptable usage of RSC wireless services:

- Any attempt to undermine the security of the Royal Society of Chemistry's facilities. (For the avoidance of doubt, this includes undertaking any unauthorised penetration testing or vulnerability scanning of any systems.)
- Any use which brings the Royal Society of Chemistry into disrepute.
- Any use of facilities to bully, harass, intimidate or otherwise cause alarm or distress to others.
- Sending unsolicited and unauthorised bulk email (spam)
- Creating, storing or transmitting any material which infringes copyright.
- Creating, storing or transmitting defamatory or obscene material.
- Using software which is only licensed for limited purposes for any other purpose or otherwise breaching software licensing agreements.
- Failing to comply with a request from an authorised person to desist from any activity which has been deemed detrimental to the operation of the Royal Society of Chemistry's facilities.
- Failing to report any breach, or suspected breach of information security to the ICT department

## **Breaches of Policy**

The Royal Society of Chemistry reserve the right to take the following action if any unacceptable usage is identified:

1. Withdrawal of services – ICT may withdraw or restrict your access to wireless or other services
2. Police action – Breaches of law will be referred to the police if deemed appropriate to do so