

# **LONSDALE TELEPHONE COMPANY HIGH SPEED INTERNET SERVICE ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY**

## **INTRODUCTION**

Lonsdale Telephone Company is committed to and supports the free flow of information and ideas over the Internet. Lonsdale Telephone Company does not actively monitor nor does Lonsdale Telephone Company exercise editorial control over any Internet content, applications or services. Lonsdale Telephone Company reserves the right to remove any material we reasonably believe: (i) is illegal; (ii) is potentially illegal; (iii) could subject Lonsdale Telephone Company to liability; or (iv) violates this Acceptable Use Policy. Lonsdale Telephone Company reserves the right to suspend or terminate Service to a subscriber's account for engaging in any violation of this policy.

## **ACCEPTANCE OF ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY; AMENDMENTS**

As a condition of use of Lonsdale Telephone Company's Service, each customer shall accept and abide by this Acceptable Use Policy and any amendments. Lonsdale Telephone Company reserves the right to amend this Acceptable Use Policy. Amendments shall become effective immediately upon posting on Lonsdale Telephone Company's website at <http://www.lonsdaletel.com/>.

## **PROHIBITED USES**

### **Illegal Use**

Lonsdale Telephone Company's Service may not be used for illegal purposes or in support of illegal activities. Lonsdale Telephone Company reserves the right to cooperate with legal authorities or third parties in the investigation of any suspected crime or civil wrong. Prohibited activities include, without limitation, the following:

- Use of the Services in violation of any law, regulation, or ordinance.
- Unauthorized copying, distribution or display of copyrighted material.
- Exporting software or technical information in violation of U.S. export control laws.
- Posting or emailing of scams such as 'make-money-fast' schemes or 'pyramid/chain' letters.
- Threatening bodily harm or property damage to individuals or groups.
- Making fraudulent offers of products, items, or services.
- Attempting to access the accounts of others, or attempting to penetrate security measures of Lonsdale Telephone Company or other systems or networks, sometimes known as "hacking."

## **System and Network Security**

Lonsdale Telephone Company's Service may not be used to compromise the security of other systems or networks. Prohibited activities include, without limitation, the following:

- Using the Service to engage in conduct that interferes with Lonsdale Telephone Company's ability to provide service to others, including the use of excessive bandwidth.
- Harassing others by "mail-bombing" or "news-bombing." "Mail-bombing" constitutes sending more than 10 similar mail messages to the same email address. "News bombing" constitutes sending more than 5Mb of data to a newsgroup.
- Revealing your account password to others or allowing use of your account by others (other than authorized users in your household). At no time can there be simultaneous use of the same username and password combination.
- Forging any message header of any electronic transmission, originating or passing through Lonsdale Telephone Company's services.
- Distributing viruses to or from Lonsdale Telephone Company's systems.
- Using software or any device that would allow your account to stay logged on while you are not actively using Lonsdale Telephone Company's Service or using the account for the purpose of operating a server of any type.

## **USENET / Internet Chat**

Lonsdale Telephone Company's Service may not be used to interfere with proper functioning of USENET or chat sites. Prohibited activities include, without limitation, the following:

- Cross-posting advertisements for products, items, or services to ten (10) or more unrelated USENET newsgroups.
- Disrupting any newsgroup with frivolous, vulgar, or repetitious postings.
- Posting of binary, or excessively large, unrelated text files to non-binary news groups that have specifically requested such material not be posted in the group's Frequently Asked Questions.
- Installation of 'auto-responders,' 'cancel-bots' or similar automated or manual routines which generate excessive amounts of net traffic, or disrupt net newsgroups or email use by others.
- Engaging in any of the above activities using the service of another provider but channeling such activities through a Lonsdale Telephone Company account or re-mailer, or using a Lonsdale Telephone Company account as a mail drop for responses.

## **LONSDALE TELEPHONE COMPANY ASSUMES NO LIABILITY**

Lonsdale Telephone Company assumes no liability to subscribers or others for any failure to enforce the terms of this Policy.

## **VIOLATION REPORTS**

You may report a violation of this policy to us at: [lonsdaletel@means.net](mailto:lonsdaletel@means.net).

## **COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT**

Lonsdale Telephone Company complies with the Online Copyright Infringement Liability Limitation Act of 1998, 17 USC § 512 ("Act"). As required by the Act, we have a policy that reserves our right to terminate services to subscribers who repeatedly infringe copyrights. In the event that we receive a determination that any subscriber or account holder has infringed another's copyright through the use of our system or network, we reserve the right to terminate service to that subscriber after receiving notice of any further copyright infringement by that subscriber. Lonsdale Telephone Company accommodates and does not interfere with standard technical measures to identify and protect copyrighted works, subject to the limitations of the Act.

Notices and counter-notices related to claimed copyright infringements should be directed to the following designated agent:

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