



**National Supercomputing Institute  
Computer Account Security Agreement**

The following paragraphs pertain to your use of resources of the National Supercomputing Institute (NSI) located at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. NSI provides resources including computing clusters, bulk data storage, networking, cloud computing among others. The term "user(s)" refers to you and other individuals with accounts authorized to access NSI resources.

- This agreement maybe revised from time to time. When it is modified, an effective date will accompany each revision. Continued use or other access to NSI resource after the effective date of the revision constitutes your acceptance of the revised agreement.
- NSI makes reasonable efforts to provide robust and reliable resources. However, NSI does not guarantee the availability of resources.
- One or more access credentials may be assigned to you. Credentials are used by users to access their authorized resources. Credentials may include, but are not limited to, username and/or passwords, certificates, and key files.
- You agree to treat data (e.g. programs, documents, data files, etc.) that you are not explicitly authorized to access as being private to the data's owner. You further agree to not attempt to access or otherwise impact any data that you are not authorized. You also agree that you will not attempt to exceed your authorized access level. You agree to abide by any additional restrictions placed on data owned or licensed by other parties.
- You will protect your access credential(s) from any unauthorized use or disclosure and will maintain them in strict confidence. You are responsible for any abuse of NSI resources with your account, by anyone (including other users) who have obtained access credentials from you, either directly or indirectly.
- Users authorized to use computing resources, will have a separate home directory on each of the authorized resources. This home directory will be limited in size to 10Gb (gigabytes). If you are authorized to use multiple compute resources, you will have multiple home directories.
- In addition to home directories on the compute resource, you may be assigned an additional bulk storage allocation on a storage server. Due to the extremely large size that is possible, bulk storage files will not be backed up by NSI.
- When you request resource allocations, including but not limited to bulk disk space, you must utilize 50% or more of the allocation. If you do not consistently use more than 50%, your allocation may be reduced at NSI's discretion.
- With the exception of bulk storage, NSI staff back up computer files periodically. These backups are intended for use by NSI staff to recover in case of catastrophic failure of computing resources. They are not intended to function as a backup of users data. Users are responsible for archiving their own files to external media or otherwise saving their files.
- Protected data including, but not limited to HIPAA, FISMA, and classified data cannot be transferred, stored, or otherwise processed using the National Supercomputing Center resources.
- The NSI reserves the right for its staff to inspect the contents of any file stored on its resources for the purposes of maintaining performance, reliability, and safeguarding user and system files.
- Use of NSI computing resources in violation of this security agreement, network use policies, University of Nevada policy, or any federal, state or local laws may result in revocation of your account privileges and may subject you to disciplinary action and/or prosecution.
- NSI may require you to sign a copy of this security agreement before issuing your credentials required to access NSI computing resources. Regardless of whether you have signed a copy of this agreement, any usage of NSI resources, signifies that you agree to be bound by this agreement. If you are required to sign an agreement, you must also produce a currently valid photo ID.

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**Print Name**

**Signature**

**Date**