

# CODE OF CONDUCT

All attendees, speakers, sponsors and volunteers at our hackathon are required to agree with the following code of conduct. **HackTheSpace** will enforce this code throughout the event. We expect cooperation from all participants to help ensure a safe environment for everyone present at the venue.

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## Need

We see this as a responsibility to contribute our best to form a safe and welcoming space around the hackathon and the community in general. Our goal is to make people feel safe, accommodated and respected throughout the program. Any type of disturbance or harassment would be punished severely.

We believe a hackathon can not only contribute to technology but also to culture. This is why we have written this Code of Conduct and will be enforced with utmost concern.

## No plagiarism or re-using of past work

Plagiarism and re-using past work is not allowed at **HackTheSpace**. Our event where participants will come together to collaborate, innovate and create something new within a limited timeframe.

To ensure fairness and encourage originality, our hackathon has strict policies against plagiarism and re-using existing work. These policies typically require participants to start their projects from scratch during the hackathon, without incorporating pre-existing code, designs, or solutions.

Participants are generally expected to develop their ideas, write their own code, and create their own designs within the given timeframe. This promotes creativity, problem-solving skills, and a level playing field for all participants. Adhering to these guidelines will help maintain the integrity of the event and ensure fair competition among all participants.

## No discrimination

**HackTheSpace** is a collaborative event where people with different backgrounds and skills come together to work on creative solutions. It is important that it is inclusive and



free from discrimination to ensure equal opportunities for all participants.  
Discrimination on the basis of any category below shall be severely punished.

- gender
- gender identity and expression
- age
- sexual orientation
- disability
- physical appearance
- body size
- race
- ethnicity
- nationality
- religion
- political views
- previous hackathon attendance or lack of
- computing experience or lack of
- chosen programming language or tech stack

## No harassment

**HackTheSpace** is determined to foster a collaborative and inclusive environment where individuals can come together to share ideas, learn, and build innovative solutions.

If you witness or experience harassment at our hackathon, it is important to report it to the event organizers or volunteers immediately. They are responsible for addressing



such issues promptly and appropriately, ensuring the safety and well-being of all participants.

By enforcing strict policies against harassment, we can promote a positive and inclusive atmosphere that encourages creativity, collaboration, and mutual respect among participants.

## **Media Consent and Usage**

HackTheSpace and its partners may take photos and videos at the events. By attending, you consent to their use. Similarly, if you provide us with photos or videos taken at the event, you also give us permission to use them in the same manner. Please be aware that we will use all submitted photos and videos, and no objections to their use will be considered.

## **Assumption of Risk and Responsibility**

Despite our efforts to ensure a safe environment at the Event, accidents can occur. We ask you to take precautions to minimize injury risks. Carefully consider the risks of any activities and take reasonable precautions before participating. Your attendance and participation are voluntary, and you accept full responsibility for any resulting injuries, as permitted by applicable law.

## **Creation of a safe space**

No sponsors, partners, or participants shall use sexualised images, activities, or other material at the hackathon for any non-permitted purpose. The use of sexualised clothing/uniforms/costumes, and anything that creates a sexualised environment is prohibited.

## **Intellectual Property**



You will own any developments made by you, and all rights, titles and interests in those developments, including the intellectual property rights therein, shall belong to you. We will never try to steal your creations or use them exploitatively.

## Always report

If you notice any violation of this Code of Conduct or find otherwise suspicious behavior or have any concerns, please contact a member of the hackathon organizing committee immediately. We will be happy to help participants contact local security or local law enforcement, or otherwise assist those experiencing harassment to feel safe for the duration of the hackathon. We value your attendance.

## Giveaway/Prize Rules

1. The participants are required to be physically present at the venue to participate and collect their Giveaways.
2. If by an unfortunate circumstance, any participant is unavailable OR the prizes are not available readily, HackTheSpace will take up the duty to deliver the giveaways without any shipment cost.
3. The T-shirt size provided at the event will be subject to availability. One has to adjust with the distribution of them.
4. The content, prizes, collectibles depicted in the posters, website or social media platforms are prone to design, look, and item changes.
5. Every participant is required to follow all the rules given above and that of Code of Conduct with at most sincerity.

## Consequences of violations

In case any participant violates this Code of Conduct, the organizer may, at their own discretion:

- expel them from the hackathon with no refund (if applicable),
- block their access to **HackTheSpace** resources including the website,



- report their behavior to local law enforcement.

## Notice

**HackTheSpace** reserves the sole and absolute right, at any time and without prior notice, to amend, modify, replace, suspend, or terminate any aspect of its events or communications, including but not limited to event rules, schedules, prize structures, terms and conditions, eligibility criteria, website content, social media posts, promotional materials, judging processes, or any other related components. Such changes may be made for any reason deemed necessary by the organization, including but not limited to legal compliance, technical limitations, operational concerns, or organizational strategy. By participating in any HackTheSpace event or engaging with its platforms, all individuals agree to accept and be bound by the latest version of all such modifications, waiving any right to notification, objection, or legal remedy related to such changes.

## Contact Us

If you notice any disturbance with the execution of the Code of Conduct you can report at:

Email ID: **[support@hackthespace.co](mailto:support@hackthespace.co)**