

# Terms of Service

## The gist:

We (the [folks at Topics Internet Cafe Inc.](#)) run a service called [TopicsCafe.com](#), [Topsail-Online.com](#), [PlanetILM.com](#) and [TravelTeamBlog.com](#) and would **love** for you to use it. Our basic service is hosted free, and we offer paid upgrades for advanced features such as domain hosting and extra storage. Our service is designed to give you as much control and ownership over what goes on your blog as possible and encourage you to express yourself freely. However, be responsible in what you blog. In particular, make sure that none of the prohibited items listed below appear on your blog or get linked to from your blog (things like spam, viruses, or hate content).

You can check [our page on types of blogs](#) to get a sense of the types of sites that are welcome on our service (or not!). If you find a TopicsCafe.com or one of our other blogs that you believe violates our terms of service, please let us know.

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The following terms and conditions govern all use of the [TopicsCafe.com](#), [Topsail-Online.com](#), [PlanetILM.com](#) and [TravelTeamBlog.com](#) websites and all content, services and products available at or through the website, including, but not limited to, the [TopicsCafe.com](#), [Topsail-Online.com](#), [PlanetILM.com](#) and [TravelTeamBlog.com](#) VIP hosting service (“VIP Service”), (taken together, the Website). The Website is owned and operated by [folks at Topics Internet Cafe Inc.](#) (“Topics Cafe”). The Website is offered subject to your acceptance without modification of all of the terms and conditions contained herein and all other operating rules, policies (including, without limitation, [Topics Cafe’s Privacy Policy](#)) and procedures that may be published from time to time on this Site by Topics Cafe (collectively, the “Agreement”).

Please read this Agreement carefully before accessing or using the Website. By accessing or using any part of the web site, you agree to become bound by the terms and conditions of this agreement. If you do not agree to all the terms and conditions of this

agreement, then you may not access the Website or use any services. If these terms and conditions are considered an offer by Topics Cafe, acceptance is expressly limited to these terms. The Website is available only to individuals who are at least 13 years old.

1. **Your TopicsCafe.com, Topsail-Online.com, PlanetILM.com or TravelTeamBlog.com Account and Site.** If you create a blog on the Website, you are responsible for maintaining the security of your account and blog, and you are fully responsible for all activities that occur under the account and any other actions taken in connection with the blog. You must not describe or assign keywords to your blog in a misleading or unlawful manner, including in a manner intended to trade on the name or reputation of others, and Topics Cafe may change or remove any description or keyword that it considers inappropriate or unlawful, or otherwise likely to cause Topics Cafe liability. You must immediately notify Topics Cafe of any unauthorized uses of your blog, your account or any other breaches of security. Topics Cafe will not be liable for any acts or omissions by You, including any damages of any kind incurred as a result of such acts or omissions.
2. **Responsibility of Contributors.** If you operate a blog, comment on a blog, post material to the Website, post links on the Website, or otherwise make (or allow any third party to make) material available by means of the Website (any such material, "Content"), You are entirely responsible for the content of, and any harm resulting from, that Content. That is the case regardless of whether the Content in question constitutes text, graphics, an audio file, or computer software. By making Content available, you represent and warrant that:
  - the downloading, copying and use of the Content will not infringe the proprietary rights, including but not limited to the copyright, patent, trademark or trade secret rights, of any third party;
  - if your employer has rights to intellectual property you create, you have either (i) received permission from your employer to post or make available the Content, including but not limited to any software, or (ii) secured from your employer a waiver as to all rights in or to the Content;
  - you have fully complied with any third-party licenses relating to the Content, and have done all things necessary to successfully pass through to end users any required terms;

- the Content does not contain or install any viruses, worms, malware, Trojan horses or other harmful or destructive content;
- the Content is not spam, is not machine- or randomly-generated, and does not contain unethical or unwanted commercial content designed to drive traffic to third party sites or boost the search engine rankings of third party sites, or to further unlawful acts (such as phishing) or mislead recipients as to the source of the material (such as spoofing);
- the Content is not obscene, libelous or defamatory ([more info on what that means](#)), hateful or racially or ethnically objectionable, and does not violate the privacy or publicity rights of any third party;
- your blog is not named in a manner that misleads your readers into thinking that you are another person or company. For example, your blog's URL or name is not the name of a person other than yourself or company other than your own; and
- you have, in the case of Content that includes computer code, accurately categorized and/or described the type, nature, uses and effects of the materials, whether requested to do so by Topics Cafe or otherwise.

By submitting Content to Topics Cafe for inclusion on your Website, you grant Topics Cafe a world-wide, royalty-free, and non-exclusive license to reproduce, modify, adapt and publish the Content solely for the purpose of displaying, distributing and promoting your blog. If you delete Content, Topics Cafe will use reasonable efforts to remove it from the Website, but you acknowledge that caching or references to the Content may not be made immediately unavailable.

Without limiting any of those representations or warranties, Topics Cafe has the right (though not the obligation) to, in Topics Cafe's sole discretion (i) refuse or remove any content that, in Topics Cafe's reasonable opinion, violates any Topics Cafe policy or is in any way harmful or objectionable, or (ii) terminate or deny access to and use of the Website to any individual or entity for any reason, in Topics Cafe's sole discretion. Topics Cafe will have no obligation to provide a refund of any amounts previously paid.

3. **Fees and Payment.** Optional premium paid services such as extra storage, domain purchases or Premium Paid Features are available on the Website. By selecting a premium service you agree to pay Topics Cafe the monthly or annual subscription fees indicated for that service (the payment terms for VIP hosting are described below). Payments will be charged on the day you sign up for a premium service and will cover the use of that service for a monthly or annual period as indicated. Premium service fees are not refundable.
4. **Premium Paid Features.**
  - **Fees; Payment.** By signing up for a VIP Services account you agree to pay Topics Cafe the setup fees and monthly hosting fees indicated at <http://topicscafe.com/index.php/paid-options> in exchange for the services listed at <http://topicscafe.com/index.php/paid-options>. Applicable fees will be invoiced starting from the day your Premium Paid Features are established and in advance of using such services. Topics Cafe reserves the right to change the payment terms and fees upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to you. Premium Paid Features can be canceled by you at anytime on 30 days written notice to Topics Cafe.
  - **Support.** Premium Paid Features include access to priority email support. “Email support” means the ability to make requests for technical support assistance by email at any time (with reasonable efforts by Topics Cafe to respond within one business day) concerning the use of the Premium Paid Features. “Priority” means that support for Premium Paid Features customers takes priority over support for users of the standard, free [TopicsCafe.com](http://TopicsCafe.com), [Topsail-Online.com](http://Topsail-Online.com), [PlanetILM.com](http://PlanetILM.com) and [TravelTeamBlog.com](http://TravelTeamBlog.com) blogging services. All Premium Paid Features support will be provided in accordance with Topics Cafe standard Premium Paid Features practices, procedures and policies.
5. **Responsibility of Website Visitors.** Topics Cafe has not reviewed, and cannot review, all of the material, including computer software, posted to the Website, and cannot therefore be responsible for that material’s content, use or effects. By operating the Website, Topics Cafe does not represent or imply that it endorses the material there posted, or that it believes such material to be accurate, useful or non-harmful. You are responsible for taking precautions as necessary to protect yourself and your computer systems from viruses, worms, Trojan horses, and other harmful or destructive content. The Website may contain content that is offensive, indecent, or

otherwise objectionable, as well as content containing technical inaccuracies, typographical mistakes, and other errors. The Website may also contain material that violates the privacy or publicity rights, or infringes the intellectual property and other proprietary rights, of third parties, or the downloading, copying or use of which is subject to additional terms and conditions, stated or unstated. Topics Cafe disclaims any responsibility for any harm resulting from the use by visitors of the Website, or from any downloading by those visitors of content there posted.

6. **Content Posted on Other Websites.** We have not reviewed, and cannot review, all of the material, including computer software, made available through the websites and webpages to which [TopicsCafe.com](http://TopicsCafe.com), [Topsail-Online.com](http://Topsail-Online.com), and [TravelTeamBlog.com](http://TravelTeamBlog.com) links, and that link to [TopicsCafe.com](http://TopicsCafe.com), [Topsail-Online.com](http://Topsail-Online.com), [PlanetILM.com](http://PlanetILM.com) and [TravelTeamBlog.com](http://TravelTeamBlog.com). Topics Cafe does not have any control over those non-Topics Cafe websites and webpages, and is not responsible for their contents or their use. By linking to a non-Topics Cafe website or webpage, Topics Cafe does not represent or imply that it endorses such website or webpage. You are responsible for taking precautions as necessary to protect yourself and your computer systems from viruses, worms, Trojan horses, and other harmful or destructive content. Topics Cafe disclaims any responsibility for any harm resulting from your use of non-Topics Cafe websites and webpages.
7. **Copyright Infringement and DMCA Policy.** As Topics Cafe asks others to respect its intellectual property rights, it respects the intellectual property rights of others. If you believe that material located on or linked to by [TopicsCafe.com](http://TopicsCafe.com), [Topsail-Online.com](http://Topsail-Online.com), [PlanetILM.com](http://PlanetILM.com) and [TravelTeamBlog.com](http://TravelTeamBlog.com) violates your copyright, you are encouraged to notify Topics Cafe in accordance with [Topics Cafe's Digital Millennium Copyright Act \("DMCA"\) Policy](#). Topics Cafe will respond to all such notices, including as required or appropriate by removing the infringing material or disabling all links to the infringing material. In the case of a visitor who may infringe or repeatedly infringes the copyrights or other intellectual property rights of Topics Cafe or others, Topics Cafe may, in its discretion, terminate or deny access to and use of the Website. In the case of such termination, Topics Cafe will have no obligation to provide a refund of any amounts previously paid to Topics Cafe.
8. **Intellectual Property.** This Agreement does not transfer from Topics Cafe to you any Topics Cafe or third party intellectual property, and all right, title and interest in and

to such property will remain (as between the parties) solely with Topics Cafe. Topics Cafe, [TopicsCafe.com](https://TopicsCafe.com), [Topsail-Online.com](https://Topsail-Online.com), [PlanetILM.com](https://PlanetILM.com) and [TravelTeamBlog.com](https://TravelTeamBlog.com), the [TopicsCafe.com](https://TopicsCafe.com), [Topsail-Online.com](https://Topsail-Online.com), [PlanetILM.com](https://PlanetILM.com) and [TravelTeamBlog.com](https://TravelTeamBlog.com) logo's, and all other trademarks, service marks, graphics and logos used in connection with [TopicsCafe.com](https://TopicsCafe.com), [Topsail-Online.com](https://Topsail-Online.com), [PlanetILM.com](https://PlanetILM.com) and [TravelTeamBlog.com](https://TravelTeamBlog.com), or the Website are trademarks or registered trademarks of Topics Cafe or Topics Cafe's licensors. Other trademarks, service marks, graphics and logos used in connection with the Website may be the trademarks of other third parties. Your use of the Website grants you no right or license to reproduce or otherwise use any Topics Cafe or third-party trademarks.

9. **Changes.** Topics Cafe reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to modify or replace any part of this Agreement. It is your responsibility to check this Agreement periodically for changes. Your continued use of or access to the Website following the posting of any changes to this Agreement constitutes acceptance of those changes. Topics Cafe may also, in the future, offer new services and/or features through the Website (including, the release of new tools and resources). Such new features and/or services shall be subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
10. **Termination.** Topics Cafe may terminate your access to all or any part of the Website at any time, with or without cause, with or without notice, effective immediately. If you wish to terminate this Agreement or your [TopicsCafe.com](https://TopicsCafe.com), [Topsail-Online.com](https://Topsail-Online.com), [PlanetILM.com](https://PlanetILM.com), and [TravelTeamBlog.com](https://TravelTeamBlog.com) account (if you have one), you may simply discontinue using the Website. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if you have a Premium Paid Features account, such account can only be terminated by Topics Cafe if you materially breach this Agreement and fail to cure such breach within thirty (30) days from Topics Cafe's notice to you thereof; provided that, Topics Cafe can terminate the Website immediately as part of a general shut down of our service. All provisions of this Agreement which by their nature should survive termination shall survive termination, including, without limitation, ownership provisions, warranty disclaimers, indemnity and limitations of liability.

11. **Disclaimer of Warranties.** The Website is provided “as is”. Topics Cafe and its suppliers and licensors hereby disclaim all warranties of any kind, express or implied, including, without limitation, the warranties of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose and non-infringement. Neither Topics Cafe nor its suppliers and licensors, makes any warranty that the Website will be error free or that access thereto will be continuous or uninterrupted. If you’re actually reading this, THANK YOU! You understand that you download from, or otherwise obtain content or services through, the Website at your own discretion and risk.
12. **Limitation of Liability.** In no event will Topics Cafe, or its suppliers or licensors, be liable with respect to any subject matter of this agreement under any contract, negligence, strict liability or other legal or equitable theory for: (i) any special, incidental or consequential damages; (ii) the cost of procurement or substitute products or services; (iii) for interruption of use or loss or corruption of data; or (iv) for any amounts that exceed the fees paid by you to Topics Cafe under this agreement during the twelve (12) month period prior to the cause of action. Topics Cafe shall have no liability for any failure or delay due to matters beyond their reasonable control. The foregoing shall not apply to the extent prohibited by applicable law.
13. **General Representation and Warranty.** You represent and warrant that (i) your use of the Website will be in strict accordance with the Topics Cafe Privacy Policy, with this Agreement and with all applicable laws and regulations (including without limitation any local laws or regulations in your country, state, city, or other governmental area, regarding online conduct and acceptable content, and including all applicable laws regarding the transmission of technical data exported from the United States or the country in which you reside) and (ii) your use of the Website will not infringe or misappropriate the intellectual property rights of any third party.
14. **Indemnification.** You agree to indemnify and hold harmless Topics Cafe, its contractors, and its licensors, and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents from and against any and all claims and expenses, including attorneys’ fees, arising out of your use of the Website, including but not limited to out of your violation this Agreement.
15. **Miscellaneous.** This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between Topics Cafe and you concerning the subject matter hereof, and they may only be modified by

a written amendment signed by an authorized executive of Topics Cafe, or by the posting by Topics Cafe of a revised version. Except to the extent applicable law, if any, provides otherwise, this Agreement, any access to or use of the Website will be governed by the laws of the state of North Carolina, U.S.A., excluding its conflict of law provisions, and the proper venue for any disputes arising out of or relating to any of the same will be the state and federal courts located in Pender County, North Carolina. Except for claims for injunctive or equitable relief or claims regarding intellectual property rights (which may be brought in any competent court without the posting of a bond), any dispute arising under this Agreement shall be finally settled in accordance with the Comprehensive Arbitration Rules of the Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Service, Inc. ("JAMS") by three arbitrators appointed in accordance with such Rules. The arbitration shall take place in Wilmington, North Carolina, in the English language and the arbitral decision may be enforced in any court. The prevailing party in any action or proceeding to enforce this Agreement shall be entitled to costs and attorneys' fees. If any part of this Agreement is held invalid or unenforceable, that part will be construed to reflect the parties' original intent, and the remaining portions will remain in full force and effect. A waiver by either party of any term or condition of this Agreement or any breach thereof, in any one instance, will not waive such term or condition or any subsequent breach thereof. You may assign your rights under this Agreement to any party that consents to, and agrees to be bound by, its terms and conditions; Topics Cafe may assign its rights under this Agreement without condition. This Agreement will be binding upon and will inure to the benefit of the parties, their successors and permitted assigns.