

Dormitories Connection Network of CULS Prague

Regulations for Users

Art.1

Basic Provisions

1. The dormitory connection network (further only DCN) installed at the dormitories of the Czech University of Life Sciences Prague (further only CULS) is meant for educational purposes only. It comprises connection sockets in each dormitory room, cables and other necessary hardware appliances. The CULS central connection network is linked with the *National research and education Network* (CESNET). Through this network it is connected to the internet.
2. The DCN is managed through the CULS Department of Information and Communication Technology (OIKT).
3. The administrator of the DCN (further only administrator) is a person or group of persons responsible for the management of the servers and any other active elements of the network, including their configuration, computer connections and necessary technological appliances.
4. A user is a person who utilises the facilities offered through the DCN and is duly registered with the administrator as a user.
5. Registration is understood to be a procedure in which a user issues information to the administrator about the connected device(s).
6. A user of the DCN may only be a student of CULS or a CULS staff member, who abides by the following rules and regulations.

Art. 2

Connection rules and regulations for users

1. Upon registration a user has the right to be connected and receive an IP address, which will be issued automatically through a DHCP protocol, or directly by the administrator.
2. Before connecting a new appliance to the network, registration with the DCN is mandatory. Thereafter the user will receive information about his/her connection, i.e. network address and other necessary data. Upon payment of a connection fee his/her account will be activated. Once the connection has been activated the user will be instructed about the rules and regulations concerning the usage of the DCN. Once acquainted with these regulations and after having agreed with their contents (acceptance protocol), he/she is held responsible to maintain these rules and regulations strictly. Not being acquainted with these regulations will not be considered as a valid excuse for infringing on these regulations.
3. The exact cost of the connection fee in CZK is indicated on the DCN information system. The fee is used for the maintenance and development of the DCN.
4. Access to the DCN is possible only through a connector socket, which is installed in the dormitory room.
5. It is prohibited to connect to the DCN any appliances (active or passive) without prior authorisation of the administrator, with exception of an unregistered appliance (computer) which is in the process of being registered.
6. Sharing a registered connection with non-registered users, including by means of wireless networks, is strictly prohibited.
7. The user of a registered connection may register and use only one appliance. More than one appliance may be registered and used only with the explicit authorisation of the administrator.
8. The user must, during the whole time of use of his/her registered appliance, abide by the rules and regulations issued by the authorities in charge of the DCN and also by the laws of the Czech Republic. Regulations issued by the authorities in charge of the DCN may be amended or extended at any time by the same authorities, after being published in electronic form on the DCN.
9. The user is prohibited to give access to the DCN to anyone who has not been properly instructed on the connecting regulations.
10. The user has full responsibility for the function of his/her appliance while connected to the DCN.

Art.3
Rights and Obligations for users

1. Every user must get acquainted with the functional aspects of the DCN before accessing the DCN for the first time. A formal acceptance of these regulations (acceptance protocol) is a part of the registration procedures.
2. The user must follow the instructions of CULS authorised personnel (administrators and responsible dormitory staff members).
3. The user is authorised to use his/her computer appliances only for educational, scientific, research and development purposes, in accord with activities carried out at CULS. As gross infringement against rules and regulations are considered: usage of DCN for private commercial purposes; usage of DCN for distribution of commercial materials to third persons; usage of DCN for spreading political extremism, religious intolerance, xenophobic and racist views; usage of DCN for propagating drugs and/or activities prohibited by the laws of the Czech Republic.
4. Sharing the connectivity of the DCN or using a private wireless appliance within the setup of the DCN is strictly prohibited.
5. While connected to the network the user is particularly prohibited to:
 - a. Install, without prior authorisation of the administrator, any programme software which could overload the network and the server.
 - b. Share and distribute software and data, to which the user has no ownership rights or authorisation, and to which he has no legal documentation.
 - c. Unauthorised copying and sharing of any (including partial) sections of the programme setup and data which are the exclusive property of CULS or CULS departments, and of which CULS is the only authorised user.
 - d. Unauthorised modification of programmes, data or technical hardware which is used by and is the property of CULS.
 - e. Intentional damage to computer hardware (PC, monitors, keyboard etc.) and software (installed programmes) which are property of CULS.
 - f. Overloading the DCN by sending or down-loading data, which do not comply with the purposes delineated in Art. 3, section 3.
 - g. Taking advantage of other users faulty behaviour (e.g. their forgetting to un-log from the user address or using un-adequate computer protection) to log-in under a false identity and thus gain unauthorised data.
 - h. Tapping into and/or intercepting data, making copies of protected data circulating on the DCN.
 - i. Using electronic means for fraudulent identification and programmes for communication in anonymity (such as anonymous E-mail communications etc.).
 - j. Attempting to get user authorisations which were not given by the administrator. If a user nevertheless gets such authorisation through a programme or software error, he/she must report such event to the administrator without delay.
 - k. Creating programmes which may enable activities delineated in sections f. – i. It is even prohibited to store such programmes on the DCN.
 - l. Using ICT facilities, which belong to CULS, for activities delineated in sections f. – i, which are intended to harm a third organisation or institution by means offered by the DCN.
 - m. Using the DCN for private commercial purposes, for distribution of commercial materials to third persons, for spreading political extremism, religious intolerance, xenophobic and racist views, for downloading or propagating data which are prohibited by the laws of the Czech Republic and/or which are against ethical and moral codes of conduct related to the university status (i.e. down-loading and/or spreading pornography). It is also prohibited to inopportune unknown and/or known third persons with “spams” and other junk mail using the DCN as a media.
 - n. The user must protect his/her computer while connected to the DCN with software and operational anti-virus programmes which is upgraded on a regular basis. If it is assessed that a particular computer is spreading viruses in the DCN, thus hampering its functions, it may be temporarily blocked from access to the DCN, until remedial measures have been implemented.
6. A user will be denied access to the DCN if he/she fails to pay his/her connection fee (see Art.2, sect 3.)

7. In case of a disconnected line within the DCN the user may not reclaim his/her connection fee in any form.

Art. 4.

Rights and obligations of the administrator

1. Upon gross infringement of the rules and regulations of the usage of the DCN on behalf of the user the administrator has the right to disconnect such user from the DCN. In case of repeated infringements he has the right to report such event to the management of CULS.
2. The administrator has the right to amend the rules and regulation for using the DCN as well as issue notices for users which are related to any trouble-shooting on the DCN.
3. The administrator has the right to inspect the property of CULS within the premises of CULS student dormitories (i.e. cables and connectors) in the presence of the dormitory personnel and the user.
4. The administrator has the right to temporarily disable the DCN for repair or maintenance purposes. Nevertheless, before doing, so he has the obligation to inform the users at least 24 hours in advance. There is no such obligation on behalf of the administrator during short term repair and maintenance services.
5. The administrator has the right to temporarily (or permanently) deny access to specific parts of the DCN, particularly during repair and/or virus attack and/or as a result of unauthorised activities performed by a user connected to the DCN.
6. The administrator has the right to monitor the activities of the users of the DCN within legal boundaries of the public, individual and intellectual property rights of the users. Information, with which the administrator comes in contact while monitoring the DCN, is strictly confidential. The administrator is held responsible for not revealing such information to any third person. If the administrator should at any time discover any gross misconduct and/or infringements of the rules of the DCN, he/she has the right to apply sanctions as delineated in Art. 5. Section 2.
7. The operator of the DCN is not obliged to reimburse the connection fee to the user in case of a major defect in the DCN system.
8. The administrator is not obliged to service the private software or/and the hardware of the DCN users.

Art 5.

Violation of rules and concomitant sanctions

1. As a violation of rules is understood:
 - a) infringing the rules of the DCN and other CULS electronic networks
 - b) causing intentional damage to the DCN
 - c) sending unauthorised data and overloading the DCN
 - d) other unauthorised conduct which causes damage to the DCN and/or defames the good name and reputation of CULS
 - e) acts which are in breach with the legal provision valid on the territory of the Czech Republic
2. Infringing on the rules related to the operation of the DCN the user exposes himself / herself to the sanction of being disconnected from the DCN, without a right for reimbursement, as well as being reported to the management of CULS dormitories, relevant study department and/or CULS managerial board.
3. The period during which the user remains disconnected, and/or his connection is reduced (i.e. connecting speed reduction), is determined by decision of the administrator. This decision is communicated to the user without delay.
4. All the above mentioned steps do not exclude the possibility of legal actions against the infringing user and/or financial claims related to damage and interests incurred by CULS.