

# Interface Terms of Use and Code of Conduct

Interface is a virtual space for IChemE members to discuss the Institution and how it can and should impact on the chemical engineering profession and influence the important issues affecting society. It is also a place where you can ask questions about your membership and have customer service queries resolved.

# By using and/or accessing Interface you will be considered to have agreed to all of these Terms of Use which apply to all pages on the Interface site and for all entry points into the Interface site.

This discussion forum is managed by IChemE staff. It is intended to be a professional online space for all members to have a courteous and respectful discussion. While there may sometimes be disagreements, IChemE asks that you keep the conversation respectful to the views of others, and the Institution.

We would remind you that as is the case with any other online forum owned by IChemE, the Institution's Code of Professional Conduct applies at all times. In addition, the Code of Conduct for use of Interface, as set out below, applies to your use of this site.

# Code of Conduct for use of Interface

You agree:

- to behave in a respectful way to all other users of this site;
- not to use profanities, or abuse, harass, threaten, demean, impersonate or intimidate any other members of this site;
- not to post or otherwise make available content which is, in our view, offensive, defamatory, obscene, pornographic or of a sexual nature, illegal, in breach of privacy, confidentiality or third party rights or otherwise unacceptable;
- not to post or otherwise make available content that attacks protected characteristics as defined within the UK Equality Act 2010 – for example, gender, race, sexual orientation;
- not to post or otherwise make available content which, in our view, portrays unacceptable violence;
- not to breach the law or encourage a breach of the law;
- not to stalk or violate the rights of others including individuals' privacy rights;
- not to do, cause or permit anything to be done that may infringe, damage or interfere with any copyright, moral rights, performing rights, design rights, trade mark rights or other proprietary or intellectual property rights of IChemE or its members;
- not to knowingly introduce viruses, trojans, worms, logic bombs or other material which is malicious or technologically harmful to the site;
- not to share any information which is confidential to any other person;
- not to obtain or attempt to obtain unauthorised access to the site, any part of it or any private or member account areas or the server on which the site is stored;
- to be entirely responsible for any activity that occurs under your profile name;
- to keep secret any password used by you; you must change your password if you believe it is no longer secret;
- not to link to third-party paid-for content, recruitment advertising, or spam, or submit unwanted messages to any members of this site;
- not to link to advertising that directly competes with IChemE's own products and services;



- not to post or link to content that has no relevance to the chemical engineering profession or any other content viewed as prejudicial and counter to the best interests of the chemical engineering profession or society in general;
- not to register as or on behalf of anyone else, impersonate anyone else, seek to take on a false identity or misrepresent yourself, your identity or your age; and
- to respect information you obtain on our site and use it only in accordance with this Code of Conduct and the Terms of Use

If IChemE believes that you have not abided by the Code of Conduct as described above or these Terms of Use, IChemE, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to:

- remove your content without notice; further discussion will not be entered into and an editorial decision is final; and
- delete your account and refuse you any use of and/or access to this Interface site.

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your conduct in using the Interface site, your behaviour towards us, our representatives, and other users, any breach of law, any breach of these Terms of Use or any breach of any third party's rights.

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These terms of use and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with them or their subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales.

If any provision of these terms of use is found by any court or administrative body of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable that will not affect the other provisions of these terms of use - which will remain in full force and effect. Where any provision of these terms of use is found to be invalid or unenforceable but would be valid or enforceable if some part of the provision were deleted, the provision in question will apply with such modification(s) as are necessary to make it valid and enforceable.

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