

## Internet and Websites

1. **Does browsing infringe copyright?**

No. Browsing does not infringe copyright.

2. **Can I copy and print images and text from a website to use in class?**

Yes. You can copy images and text within the copying limits of the Statutory Text and Artistic Licence.

If you want to copy more material than is permitted under the Statutory Text and Artistic Licence, you must obtain permission from the copyright owner of the material.

See How to Clear Rights for further information on obtaining permission from the copyright owner.

3. **Can I publish material from a textbook on our school or TAFE intranet?**

You can publish material within the copying limits of the Statutory Text and Artistic Licence, provided that the intranet is only available to students and teachers of the school.

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4. **If someone posts a work on a website, does this mean that they lose copyright in it?**

No, the copyright owner will not lose the copyright in the work.

5. **Does caching infringe copyright?**

Browser caching does not infringe copyright. In relation to content repositioning caching, as long as the school/TAFE has cleared the rights to copy and communicate the resources stored on the server, it will generally be permitted. Active caching will infringe copyright, if more than a reasonable portion is cached

See 2.8: Internet and Websites (g) Other Relevant Issues for further information on caching and copyright.

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6. **Can I download more than one article from a newspaper's website for use in class?**

Yes. This is permitted under the Statutory Text and Artistic Licence provided that each article relates to the same subject matter (eg front page story and an editorial on the same issue). It is important to note the copying limits under the Statutory Text and Artistic Licence.

If you want to download more articles than is permitted under the Statutory Text and Artistic Licence, you must obtain permission from the newspaper.

See How to Clear Rights for further information on obtaining permission from the newspaper.

7. **Can I stream music live from a website in class at school?**

Yes. Schools and TAFE institutes can communicate music from a website in class.

For further information on streaming music in class, see information sheet "Performance and Communication of Works and Audio Visual Material in Class - What am I allowed to do?".

8. **Do I need permission to place a hyperlink on our school website to another website?**

No, if the link is to the other website's homepage.

Yes, if the link includes a logo or graphic image from the linked website and bypasses its homepage.

See Hot Topics: Linking to Other Websites for further information

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