



KAPPA SIGMA FRATERNITY

A **BROTHERHOOD** LIKE NO OTHER

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INTERNET USE

Internet Use, through media including, among others, email, websites, and social networking or discussion groups, is a valuable tool for education and communication. All members of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity are responsible using these media in an appropriate and lawful manner. Each member of the Fraternity is responsible for seeing that he abides by the letter and spirit of applicable laws governing Internet Use. A member's conduct on the internet is subject generally to the Code of Conduct and must be consistent with this Standard and other applicable Standards.

Definition of "Internet Use"

Any communications on the internet (as generally defined and understood from time-to-time by the general public), whether through establishment or maintenance of a website, discussion board, social networking group, page, or site, or chat room or the submission of any data, whether in graphic, video, audio, or written form to any site on the internet, or the linking to any site on the internet that contains such data.

Standards of Conduct

Every Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity is responsible for the Internet Use of its Undergraduate members and is expected to enforce these Standards in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, including, the Code of Conduct. Each member of the Fraternity is expected to comply with these standards with respect to his personal Internet Use which may tend to indicate or demonstrate his membership in Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

- 1.** No Chapter or member shall engage in or permit Internet Use in any manner, form, or content that is inconsistent with the standards and values of Kappa Sigma Fraternity.
 - A.** Any explicit or implicit reference to or promotion of illegal alcohol use or alcohol abuse, the unlawful use of controlled substances, possession of drug paraphernalia, Hazing or any other illegal behavior; and.
 - B.** Discussion or disclosure of any part or parts of the Ritual of Kappa Sigma or any of the Secret Work of the Order, except for permissible forms of public use of certain phrases, the meaning of which are known to only to True and Lawful Kappa Sigmas and cannot be discerned from the context of such use, (e.g., permissible forms include the use of "A.E.K.Δ.B." Or "Semper" as a closing salutation in correspondence, or other similar uses).
 - C.** Content otherwise inconsistent with the policies, guidelines, and procedures, of Kappa Sigma Fraternity as the Supreme Executive Committee may determine from time-to-time at its discretion.
 - D.** These examples are not intended to be an exhaustive list of all inappropriate content.



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- 2.** No Chapter or member shall host, sponsor, post, or link to any inappropriate content on the internet.
- 3.** Each Chapter or member shall delete inappropriate content upon demand by the Kappa Sigma Fraternity or its authorized representatives, including the Chapter in which any Undergraduate member is initiated or affiliated.
- 4.** No Chapter or member shall engage in or permit Internet Use in any manner, form, or content contrary to any school regulation or rule. Each Chapter and member shall comply with the rules, regulations, policies and standards regarding Internet Use set by its host institution.
- 5.** No Chapter or member shall register any domain name that contains any Insignias as defined by Rule 5.2 of the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of Kappa Sigma Fraternity.
 - A.** Any Chapter or member having registered any domain name using any of the Insignias of the Fraternity as of the date these standards of conduct are adopted by the Supreme Executive Committee, makes such use of such Insignias pursuant to a nonexclusive license to use such Insignias consistent with Rule 5.2. Such license shall continue until earlier of the (1) date two (2) years following initial adoption of the Standard of Conduct concerning Internet use; or (2) assignment of such domain name to Kappa Sigma Fraternity otherwise in accordance with these Standards.
 - B.** Upon any written request of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, any Chapter or member having registered any domain name containing any Insignias of the Fraternity shall assign such domain name to the Fraternity at no cost to the Fraternity and shall not content or oppose any effort by the Fraternity to recover any such domain name through applicable regulations and procedures following expiration or termination of any license contemplated by these Standards or the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of Kappa Sigma Fraternity.
- 6.** No Chapter or member shall create a networking or social group on the internet using the name “Kappa Sigma” or any of the Insignias of the Fraternity without written authorization of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity.
 - A.** Where a Chapter or member creates or maintains a networking or social group on the internet, if said group identifies itself with Kappa Sigma Fraternity or a Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, membership in the group shall be limited only to members of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, unless specifically authorized otherwise by the Fraternity.
 - B.** Any group created or otherwise existing in violation of this Standard shall be disbanded and/or ownership, control and administration of such group shall be assigned to an authorized representative of Kappa Sigma Fraternity immediately upon demand.



7. Each Chapter or member joining or participating in any social networking group, discussion board or similar website, web page or other outlet on the internet that uses “Kappa Sigma” in its name, displays any other Insignias, or purports to present a forum for discussion of matters concerning Kappa Sigma Fraternity or its Chapters, shall be responsible for content posted to such group or site by its members or which is posted by such member. All such content shall be consistent with these standards of content.

SOCIAL MEDIA COMMENT POLICY

KAPPA SIGMA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DELETE OR HIDE ANY COMMENTS OR REPLIES THAT CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING.

The objectives of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity’s social media accounts are to promote events, initiatives, and actions of the general Fraternity, Chapters, and members for the purposes of education and entertainment.

1. Comments that do not pertain to the subject of the post.
2. Advertisements of any kind.
3. Profane language, obscene, pornographic, or other offensive/illegal materials or links.
4. Content that promotes, fosters or perpetuates discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, age, religion, gender, marital status, status with regard of public assistance, national origin, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation.
5. Explicit or implied sexual content.
6. Conduct implying, promoting, or encouraging illegal activity.
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These policies are applicable to any and all members of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity and to all that choose to follow or comment on any or all of the Fraternity’s social media accounts.