

**AMENDMENT TO MICROSOFT CORPORATION'S TERMS OF SERVICE FOR BING™  
APPLICABLE TO GOVERNMENTAL USERS/MEMBERS**

This Amendment, agreed to by both parties, applies to the following governmental agency/department ("Agency", "User", or "You"): **[NAME OF FEDERAL ENTITY]**.

You, as a United States Government entity, are required, when entering into agreements with other parties, to follow applicable federal laws and regulations, including those related to ethics, limitations on indemnification, fiscal law constraints, advertising and endorsements, freedom of information, governing law and dispute resolution forum. Microsoft Corporation ("Microsoft", "Company" or "We") and You (together, the "Parties") agree that modifications to the Microsoft's standard Terms of Service, available at <http://www.bing.com/developers/tou.aspx> (the "TOS") are appropriate to accommodate Your legal status, Your public (in contrast to private) mission, and other special circumstances. Accordingly, the TOS are hereby modified by this Amendment as they pertain to Agency's use of the Company web site and services.

- A. **Government entity:** "You" within the TOS shall mean the Agency itself and shall not apply to, or bind (i) the individual(s) who utilize the Company site or services on Agency's behalf, or (ii) any individual users who happen to be employed by, or otherwise associated with, the Agency.
- B. **Public purpose:** Any requirement(s) set forth within the TOS that use of the Company site and services be for private, personal and/or non-commercial purposes is hereby waived.
- C. **Agency content serving the public:** Company hereby approves Agency's distribution or other publication via the Services of materials which may contain or constitute promotions, advertisements or solicitations for goods or services, so long as the material relates to the Agency's mission.
- D. **Advertisements:** Company hereby agrees not to serve or display any commercial advertisements or solicitations on any pages within the Company site displaying content created by or under the control of the Agency. This exclusion shall not extend to house ads, which Company may serve on such pages in a non-intrusive manner.
- E. **Indemnification:** All indemnification and damages provisions of the TOS are hereby waived. Liability for any breach of the TOS or this Agreement shall be determined under the Federal Tort Claims Act, or other governing authority. Liability of Company for any breach of the TOS or this Agreement, or any claim arising from the TOS or this Agreement, shall be determined by applicable federal law.
- F. **Governing law:** The dispute resolution provision in the TOS are hereby deleted. The TOS and this Amendment shall be governed, interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the United State of America. To the extent permitted by federal law, the laws of the State of Washington will apply in the absence of federal law.

- G. **Changes to Standard TOS:** Language in the standard TOS reserving to Company the right to change the TOS without notice at any time is hereby amended to grant You at least three days advance notice of any material change to the TOS. Company shall send this notice to the email address You designate at the time You sign up for service, and You shall notify Company of any change in the notification email address during the life of the Agreement.
- H. **Access and Use:** Company acknowledges that the Agency's use of Company's site and services may energize significant citizen engagement. Language in the TOS allowing Company to terminate service, or close the Agency's account, at any time, for any reason, is modified to reflect the Parties' agreement that Company may unilaterally terminate service and/or terminate Agency's account only for breach of Agency's obligations under the Agreement as amended by the TOS, or its material failure to comply with the instructions and guidelines posted on the Site, or if Company ceases to operate its services generally. Company will provide Agency with a reasonable opportunity to cure any breach or failure on Agency's part.
- I. **Ownership of names:** Any provision(s) in the TOS related to Company's ownership of and right to change Your selected user name, user ID, channel names, and group names, are modified to accommodate Agency's proprietary, practical, and/or operational interest in its own publicly-recognized name and the names of Agency programs.
- J. **Modifications of User Content:** Company agrees that the right reserved in the TOS to "modify" or "adapt" Your content is limited to technical actions necessary to index, format and display that content. The right to modify or adapt does not include the right to edit or otherwise alter the meaning of the content. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Amendment shall result in an expansion of Your rights as a United States Government entity under the Copyright Act of 1976 (17 U.S.C. §§101 et seq.), specifically including Section 105 of said Act.
- K. **Limitation of Liability:** The Parties agree that nothing in the Limitation of Liability clause or elsewhere in the TOS in any way grants Company a waiver from, release of, or limitation of liability pertaining to, any past, current or future violation of federal law.
- L. **Uploading, Deleting:** The Parties understand and agree that You are not obligated to place any User Content on the Company site, and You reserve the right to remove any and all User Content at Your sole discretion.
- M. **No endorsement:** Company agrees that Your trademarks, logos, service marks, trade names, and the fact that You have a presence on the Company site and use its services, shall not be used by Company in such a manner as to state or imply that Company's products or services are endorsed, sponsored or recommended by You or by any other element of the Federal Government or considered by these entities to be superior to any other products or services. Except for pages whose design and content is under the control of the Agency, Company agrees not to display any Agency or government seals or logos on the Company's homepage or elsewhere on the Company Site, unless permission to do has been granted by the Agency.

- N. **No business relationship created:** The Parties are independent entities and nothing in this Amendment or TOS creates an agency, partnership or joint venture.
- O. **No cost agreement:** Nothing in this Amendment or TOS obligates You to expend appropriations or incur financial obligations. The Parties acknowledge and agree that none of the obligations arising from this Amendment or TOS are contingent upon the payment of fees by one party to the other.
- P. **Provision of Data:** In case of termination of service, Company will provide You with all user-generated content that is publicly visible through the Sites You created at Company within 30 days. Data will be provided in a commonly used file or database format as Company deems appropriate. Company will not provide data if doing so would violate its privacy policy, available at <http://Company.com/privacy.php>.
- Q. **Separate future action for fee based arrangements:** Company provides services at a basic level free of charge to the public, but this may change in the future. You acknowledge that while Company will provide You with some services and features for free, Company reserves the right to begin charging for those services and features at some point in the future. Company will provide You with at least 30 days advance notice of such a change involving the charging of fees for the basic level service. You also understand that Company may currently offer other premium and enterprise services for a fee. Before an Agency decides to enter into a premium or enterprise subscription, or any other fee-based service Company may offer in the future, You agree to determine your Agency has a need for those additional services, to consider the subscription's value in comparison with comparable services available elsewhere, to determine that Agency funds are available for payment, to properly use the Government Purchase Card if that Card is used as the payment method, to review this Amendment and the then-applicable TOS for conformance to federal procurement law, and in all other respects to follow applicable acquisition laws, regulations, and agency guidelines when initiating that separate action.
- R. **Assignment:** Neither party may assign its obligations under this Amendment or TOS to any third party without prior written consent of the other.
- S. **Precedence; Further Amendment; Termination:** This Amendment constitutes an amendment to the TOS; language in the TOS indicating it alone is the entire agreement between the Parties is waived. If there is any conflict between this Amendment and the TOS, or between this Amendment and other rules or policies on the Company site or services, this Amendment shall prevail. This Amendment may be further amended only upon written agreement executed by both Parties. Agency may close Agency's account and terminate this agreement at any time. Company may close Agency's account and terminate this agreement on 30 days written notice.
- T. **Posting and availability of this Amendment:** The provision of the TOS requiring modifications to the TOS to be posted on Company's website is inapplicable since this Amendment is of limited, not general, application, and is otherwise waived for this special circumstance. The Parties agree this Amendment contains no confidential or proprietary information, and You

may release it to the public upon request and to other agencies interested in using Company Site and services.

U. **Additional Items for Discussion and Possible Inclusion in this Agreement:** Company understands current federal law, regulation and policy may affect Agency’s use of the Company’s products and services in ways not addressed in the list of clauses above. Much depends on the nature of the products and services offered by the Company (which may change from time-to-time), and how Agency intends to use those services (which also may change). The following are among the topics Agency may need to discuss with Company. Discussion of these items may lead to the insertion of additional clauses in this Agreement.

- Security**
- Privacy**
- Accessibility**
- Records Management (in addition to the clause Q on “Provision of Data”)**

**MICROSOFT CORPORATION**

**[NAME OF FEDERAL ENTITY]**

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