

COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT POLICY

The Steelville Telephone Exchange, Inc. dba STE Communications (“STE”) Acceptable Use Policy prohibits subscribers from using STE’s Internet access and other related services to infringe upon copyrights, patents, trademarks, and any other intellectual property rights.

Under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (“DMCA”), 17 U.S.C. § 512, Internet Service Providers (ISPs) such as STE have a “safe harbor” from copyright infringement claims if they: (1) designate an agent to receive copyright takedown and infringement notices, and (2) have a policy with procedures to address infringement notices; and (3) take action against repeat infringers, including limitation, suspension, and/or termination of service. This Implementation Guide and DMCA Policy is designed to preserve STE’s safe harbor under the DMCA.

STE’s DMCA policy is to suspend and, if necessary, terminate Internet access service to “repeat copyright infringers” in “appropriate circumstances.”

The Copyright Agent for STE Communications may be reached as follow:

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COUNTER NOTIFICATION TO CLAIMED COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT

If a copyright infringement notice has been wrongly filed against you as a result of mistake or a misidentification of the material, you may file a counter notification with our Copyright Agent. The counter notification must provide the following information: 1. Physical or electronic signature of the subscriber; 2. Identification of the material that has been removed or to which access has been disabled and the location at which the material appeared before it was removed or access to it was disabled; 3. A statement under penalty of perjury that the subscriber has a good faith belief that the material was removed or disabled as a result of mistake or misidentification; 4. The subscriber's name, address, telephone number and email address, and a statement that the subscriber consents to the jurisdiction of the Federal District Court for the judicial district in which the address is located, or if the subscriber's address is outside of the United States, for any judicial district in which the service provider may be found, and that the subscriber will accept service of process from the person who provided notification or an agent of such person