

# Terms of use of the BTU account

## 1. Scope of application

The terms of use apply equally to the BTU account itself and to all systems and networks to which the user gains access by using the BTU account.

## 2. Rights of the users

The IKMZ of BTU Cottbus - Senftenberg supports the exchange of information and access to local, national and international institutions, the use of network services and network resources as well as the right to freedom of expression. The use of the account is subject to compliance with the rights of third parties and these terms of use.

## 3. Account utilisation

Accounts are always personalised. They may only be used by the account holder without the express authorisation of IKMZ/IT Services. Passing on access data or authentication features to other persons or setting up any kind of circumvention mechanism is prohibited. If access data or authentication features are lost or the possibility of them becoming known or being used by third parties must be taken into account, IKMZ/IT-Services must be informed immediately at [1]. If the account holder leaves the BTU, but at the latest when the authorisation of use expires, the account holder is obliged to delete the access information on his/her end devices or to return any access hardware provided to the IKMZ/IT-Services without delay.

## 4. Two-factor authentication:

BTU Cottbus-Senftenberg uses two-factor authentication to access its systems. Users can use software for this purpose in accordance with the recommendations of the IKMZ / IT Services. The recommendations and the instructions for setting them up can be found at [2]. The IKMZ / IT-Services can provide a hardware token for two-factor authentication on request. The BTU reserves the right to charge an appropriate price for issuing the token.

## 5. Scope of utilisation:

The aforementioned computer systems are provided exclusively for the purposes of teaching and research as a means of access for student and academic work. Commercial use of the resources provided is prohibited. Insofar as no explicit usage limits are set, users are required to use the resources sparingly and only to the extent necessary. If individual users use the services to an extent that is significantly above average and which is likely to impair the availability or quality of service for other users, this constitutes an offence against fair use.

## 6. Network utilisation:

When using external network services, it is the responsibility of the user to inform themselves in advance about the applicable terms of use and to comply with them, for example the DFN user regulations [3]. Violations of the terms of use of linked network services are also considered a violation of the terms of use of the BTU account.

## 7. Contents:

Sending, offering, storing and retrieving content that violates the integrity, dignity, personal rights or the right to informational self-determination of others using the IT services of the BTU is prohibited. In particular, it is pointed out that all legal provisions (e.g. DSGVO, StGB, JuSchG, UrhG) must be observed.

## 8. Offences:

Violations of the terms of use of the BTU account may, depending on their severity, result in a warning, a request to cease the behaviour, a restriction of the performance parameters or the temporary or permanent exclusion of the account holder from individual or all services offered. BTU reserves the right to take further action under civil law. Reference is also made to possible consequences under criminal and regulatory law.

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The account can be activated via the BTU Cottbus-Senftenberg IT Services website and is usually possible from the working day following the handover of the activation code / BTU PIN, but at the earliest on the first working day from 8 a.m. at: <https://www.b-tu.de/account/m-activate>

BTU PIN (also for library account or job ticket): \_\_\_\_\_

Unlock code: \_\_\_\_\_



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<sup>1</sup> [it-support@b-tu.de](mailto:it-support@b-tu.de)

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.b-tu.de/it-services/btu-account/nutzerinformation> (QR code)

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.b-tu.de/it-services/kontakt/richtlinien>