

The Institute of Electronics, Information and Communication Engineers

Subscription Membership Terms of Service

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The Institute of Electronics, Information and Communication Engineers (here in after referred to as "the Institute") Subscription Members are institutes and organizations that receive a site license by subscribing to the online version of literature contents such as The IEICE Journal, Transactions Online, and other presented papers. Major membership targets are various educational institutes, their libraries, research institutions of companies and public organizations, and other institutions and organizations that need academic literature.

For Subscription members, please use the online subscribing service on your understanding of this Agreement.

#### Article 1 Membership Registration

Institutes and organizations, etc. which desire to use the online subscribing service (here in after referred to as "the service" ) need to register as a Subscription Member to the Institute through predetermined procedures.

In addition to basic annual membership dues, Subscription Members must select at least one content of Subscribing Option and pay the Subscribing Option Fee.

Even in the case of admission from the middle of the fiscal year, there is no fee reduction including the Subscribing Option Fee and annual membership dues. For details, please refer to the application procedure.

#### Article 2 Literature Contents of This Service

For Subscribing Members, one Journal of the Institute of Electronics, Information and Communication Engineers (printed) will be distributed every month. Online contents which are provided as Subscribing Option are as follows.

- ①Japanese Transactions A to D: From the first issue:
- ②English Transactions A to D: From the first issue:
- ③The Journal of IEICE (online edition): From the first issue:
- ④Proceedings of the IEICE Conference (held since September 1994 are applicable.)
- ⑤Proceedings of the International Conference

The provided contents and their contents of service are subject to change without notice.

### Article 3 Users and Range of Use

Subscribing Members are able to use the service by logging in to the Member Page by user ID (Membership number) and password given at the time of the enrollment, or by accessing the Contents Common System from the range of the registered global IP address. Users of this service using the global IP address will be those who use the terminals of the institutions and organizations within the range of the IP address registered as a Subscription Member.

The provided content works are copyrighted works by the Institute or a copyrighted works which are under permission for use.

The range of use of the content provided by this service is downloading, displaying, viewing, and printing for the purpose of research by users. We will strictly refuse secondary modifications of contents and unauthorized use.

### Article 4 Annual Membership Dues etc. and Membership Qualification

Subscription Members' annual membership dues etc. consists of basic annual membership dues and Subscription Option Fee. This annual membership dues etc. must be paid in advance by lump sum payment.

Enrollment application and additional registration of Subscribing Options are accepted from time to time, however, even in the case of enrollment and additional registration from the middle of the fiscal year, there is no reduction of annual membership dues, etc. The effective period of annual membership dues, etc. shall be within the current fiscal year, and membership registration shall be renewed automatically for one fiscal year unless any submission of changing your Subscribing Option or withdrawal notice by March 31 of every year. This will be repeated every fiscal year.

The price rank for subscribing option fee is determined by the numbers of access. Fee rank for year  $X + 1$  is determined annually based on the numbers of browsing results data of year  $X$  (January to December), and it is reflected to the next fiscal year membership due' s billing.

Even if membership registration or Subscribing Option are canceled, usage fee will not be refunded regardless of the reason. In addition, if payment of usage fee has not been made by the specified date, the Institute may suspend the use of this service.

### Article 5 Information Related to Users

The Institute maintains registration information such as institution names, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses of the institution or organization and their access status to the contents necessary for providing the service to the Subscription Members as confidential information.

In addition, we will not provide registered information to third parties except when disclosure is required by laws and regulations, or except to contract partners of the Institute's operation.

#### Article 6 Prohibited Items and Service Suspension

During using this service, the following acts are prohibited.

In the case that the Subscription Member performed the following acts, regardless of the warning from the Institute, the service shall be able to be suspended with notice from the Institute.

1. Acts that infringe or may infringe copyrights and other rights of the Institute
2. Acts that give or may give disadvantage or damage to the Institute
3. Illegally registering IP addresses of other than Subscription members
4. Downloading a large amount of provided contents systematically or by using the system
5. Using this service for the purpose of proxy search without approval of the Institute.  
In addition, acts committed for profit through this service or relating to this service, or acts conducting for the purpose of preparation
6. Acting the followings for any reasons;

\*Downloading contents beyond the necessary range,

\*Performing abstract of the downloaded paper

\*Editing the PDF file text including changing the content, transferring, copying, and transmitting.

7. In the case that there was a false information in the membership registration content
8. In the case that the payment of annual membership dues etc. has not been done for one year

#### Article 7 Cancellation of Qualification

Regardless of the preceding article, in the case that the Institute deems the member is unsuitable as a Subscription Member, in addition to suspend the use of this service without prior notice, the Institute will be able to cancel the Subscription membership

through prescribed procedures.

#### Article 8 Notice to Subscription Members

Contact notification from the Institute to the Subscription Member is performed by sending an e-mail to the registered e-mail address, and it is deemed that the e-mail has received within the period that should be normally received.

#### Article 9 Compensation for Damages

In the case that the Subscription Member gives damages to the Institute by acts in violation of these Terms or through fraudulent or illegal acts, the Institute may claim the applicable Subscription Member for damages suffered by the member.

#### Article 10 Disclaimer

The Institute will make doubly sure to provide this service, however, it may not be able to use this service temporarily due to data update, system maintenance, equipment failure, or other unavoidable circumstances. The Institute will not be responsible if any damages occurred to the Subscription Member due to the reasons above.

Moreover, this service does not guarantee that it can be used in the environment of the user.

The Institute will not make any warranties regarding the contents of this service and the information that Subscription Member obtain through this service, such as safety, accuracy, applicability, usefulness, etc.

#### Article 11 Software

Any use of line usage fee, equipment and other communication connection charges due to the use of this service shall be borne by the user. In addition, please obtain all the licenses of the related software (including Internet browser and PDF Reader) necessary for browsing the content at the user's expense.

#### Article 12 Termination of This Service

In the case that it is impossible to provide this service due to force majeure, the Institute shall be able to terminate this service without prior notice to the Subscription Member. In addition, in case of termination of this service due to the convenience of the Institute, the Institute can terminate this service with notification to the Subscription Member before 30 days in advance.

#### Article 13 Withdrawal

When Subscription Member desires to withdraw from membership, the member should notify the Institute by a prescribed procedure at any time. In that case, the annual membership

dues, etc. of the current fiscal year in which the user has already paid will not be refunded. In addition, this service can be used within the current fiscal year. After withdrawal, this service will not be provided, and the member will not be able to access the contents which the member was viewing during the Subscription membership registration period.

#### Article 14 Modification of the Agreement

The Institute shall be able to make amendments such as addition, deletion or change prescribed in this Agreement without prior notice. In addition, the Institute shall not be liable for any damages, losses, etc. caused to the user based on such modification.

#### Article 15 Governing Law, Jurisdiction

Applicable law of this Agreement is Japanese law. In the case of a dispute between Subscription Member and the Institute in connection with this service or this Agreement, the Tokyo District Court shall be the exclusive jurisdictional court of the first instance.

#### Article 16 Consultation

In case of any doubt concerning matters not stipulated in this Agreement, it shall be adjusted after mutual consultation between the Subscription member and the Institute.

#### Supplementary Provision

This Agreement will come into force on April 1, 2019.

#### Supplementary Provision (October 1, 2025 Partially revised)

The revisions of October 1, 2025 shall be applied from October 1, 2025.

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The revisions of April 22, 2026 shall be applied from April 22, 2026.