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By submitting your completed Assessment Form to the eSafety Label portal you have taken an important step towards analysing the status of eSafety in your school. Congratulations! Please read through your Action Plan carefully to see what you can do to improve eSafety further in your school. The Action Plan offers useful advice and comments, broken down into 3 key areas: infrastructure, policy and practice.

## Infrastructure

### Technical security

- › It is good practice that your ICT services are regularly reviewed, updated and removed if no longer in use.

### Pupil and staff access to technology

- › Consider whether banning mobile devices is a rule that is fit for purpose and if your school might want to allow digital devices for some class activities. You could develop as part of your Acceptable Use Policy a section on how digital technologies can and cannot be used in the classroom; see the fact sheet on Using Mobile Phones at School ([www.esafetymail.eu/group/community/using-mobile-device-in-schools](http://www.esafetymail.eu/group/community/using-mobile-device-in-schools)).
- › It is good that in your school computer labs can easily be booked. Consider the option of integrating other digital devices into the lessons as using them provides best practise for pupils in dealing with new media. Ensure that safety issues are also discussed.
- › The fact that staff and pupils are allowed to use USB memory sticks in your school following permission, would require that all staff concerned receive adequate training to be able to know when they can be used safely. Is this the case? To keep your systems secure whilst allowing staff and pupils you also need to include the ground rules in your Acceptable Use Policy. Check the fact sheet on Use of removable devices at [www.esafetymail.eu/group/community/use-of-removable-devices](http://www.esafetymail.eu/group/community/use-of-removable-devices) to make sure you cover all security aspects.

### Data protection

- › It is good that your school provides training materials on the importance of protecting devices, especially portable ones. Please consider sharing those with others through the in . Also ensure that your materials are regularly reviewed to ensure they are in line with the state of the latest technology.
- › You have a good policy of keeping your learning and administration environments separate. It is good to ensure that staff training on managing these environments is up to date as you continue to review your policies. Share your policy with other eSafety Label users by uploading it to your school profile.
- › Your new users are given a standard password and are asked to generate their own password on their first

access. Passwords offer unique entry points into the school computing system and some basic rules of password security should be rigorously applied. For further information, read the fact sheet on Safe passwords at [www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/safe-passwords](http://www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/safe-passwords).

Include these rules in your Acceptable User Agreement and avoid giving new users a standard "first access" password.

## Software licensing

- › Ensure that all staff are aware of the procedure for purchasing new software and that all licenses are appropriate for the number of pupils and staff that will be using them. The [End-user license agreement](#) section in Wikipedia will provide useful information for understanding terms and conditions and comparing software agreements.
- › It is important to ensure that all new staff are briefed about the effective processes you have for the installation of new software. This will mean that the security of your systems can be maintained and that staff can try out new software applications that will help teaching and learning.

## IT Management

- › It is good practise that you are training and/or providing guidance in the use of new software that is installed on school computers. This ensures that school members will take advantage of new features, but also that they are aware of security and data protection issues where relevant.

# Policy

## Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)

- › It is good that you have an Acceptable Use Policy for all members of the school community. Regularly review the AUP to ensure that it is still fit for purpose; to ensure that your AUP is sufficiently comprehensive, take a look at the fact sheet and check list on Acceptable Use Policy at [www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/acceptable-use-policy-aup](http://www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/acceptable-use-policy-aup).
- › Regularly review the Mobile Phone Policy to ensure that it is fit for purpose and that it is being applied consistently across the school. The fact sheets on Using mobile phones at school ([www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/using-mobile-device-in-schools](http://www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/using-mobile-device-in-schools)) and School Policy ([www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/school-policy](http://www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/school-policy)) will provide helpful information.

## Reporting and Incident-Handling

- › Please share the materials in which you tackle these issues especially with pupils and parents in the of the eSafety Label portal.
- › Check that your School Policy includes all necessary information for teachers about handling issues when pupils knowingly or even inadvertently access illegal or offensive material online by going to the guidance set out by the [teachtoday.de/en](http://teachtoday.de/en) website ([tinyurl.com/9j86v84](http://tinyurl.com/9j86v84)). If such incidents arise in your school, make sure you anonymously fill out the eSafety Label Incident handling form ([www.esafetylabel.eu/group/teacher/incident-handling](http://www.esafetylabel.eu/group/teacher/incident-handling)) so that other schools can benefit from your experience.

## Staff policy

- › You have guidelines in your Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) on teachers' classroom usage of mobile phones. Upload your AUP to your school profile as it is a model of good practice that can help other eSafety Label schools.
- › As new technology and online practices emerge the borders of acceptable practice are constantly blurred. This is something that needs to be discussed at staff meetings often. Could you create a tutorial on professional online conduct of staff and upload it to your school profile via your [My school area](#) so that other schools can benefit from your good practice?

## Pupil practice/behaviour

- › It is good that pupils have the possibility to shape school activities when discussing eSafety, be it extra-curricular and curricular ones, based on what is going on in their daily lives. This way they will be more engaged and it also allows the teacher to recognise real life issues.
- › Your school has a school wide approach of positive and negative consequences for pupil behaviour. This is good practice, please share your policy via the [My school area](#) of the eSafety portal so that other schools can learn from it.

## School presence online

- › You have a dedicated person to monitor your school's online reputation, and this is good practice. Always be aware of any new sites that may not be immediately apparent through a regular search. Keep up to date with the latest sites and monitor these periodically, as they can be particularly damaging for schools and their pupils and staff if they present a negative viewpoint.
- › It is important that a designated member of staff has an overview of any social networking profiles set up by representatives of your school. Check the fact sheet on Schools on social networks ([www.esafetymal.eu/group/community/schools-on-social-networks](http://www.esafetymal.eu/group/community/schools-on-social-networks)) for further information to make sure that good practice guidelines have been followed. Consider setting up a school social media profile to facilitate monitoring and showcase initiatives and achievements, as this can be a useful dissemination tool.

# Practice

## Management of eSafety

- › In addition to a clear designation of responsibility to ensure that all necessary network security and user privacy checks are in place, it is essential that schools also have audit and procedural checks at regular intervals. Without this, a school will be leaving itself vulnerable. See our fact sheet on School Policy at [www.esafetymal.eu/group/community/school-policy](http://www.esafetymal.eu/group/community/school-policy).

Although there should always be an overall lead person on eSafety just as you have in your school, everybody in the school has a shared responsibility to secure any sensitive information used in their day to day professional duties. Even staff not directly involved in data handling should be made aware of the risks and threats and how to minimise problems. Use our fact sheet Acceptable Use Policy ([www.esafetymal.eu/group/community/acceptable-use-policy-aup](http://www.esafetymal.eu/group/community/acceptable-use-policy-aup)) to ensure that everyone plays their part in

ensuring they are all the best and safest digital citizens they can be.

## eSafety in the curriculum

- › It is good that these issues have been included in the eSafety curriculum. It is a good idea to regularly review the issues which are being covered by your eSafety education in order to ensure that new and emerging issues are covered.
- › It is very good that, in your school, pupils are taught from an early age on about responsibilities and consequences when using social media. Please share any resources through the uploading evidence tool, accessible also via the [My school area](#).
- › It is commendable that you are able to provide an eSafety curriculum that keeps up with emerging issues. Continue to make use of new resources as they are made available. Can you upload to your school profile an outline of how you design the curriculum and links to some of the resources you use – this would be most helpful for other schools.
- › It is good practice that all pupils in all year groups in your school are taught about eSafety. It continues to be important to review regularly the curriculum provision to ensure it meets ever-changing needs. If you have a curriculum review process of this kind, it would be helpful to other schools if you could publish this on your school profile. To upload go to your [My school area](#).

## Extra curricular activities

- › Consider sharing the information you have about your pupils' online habits with other schools through the eSafety Label community. You could, for example, upload your latest survey findings on pupils' online habits to your school profile via your [My school area](#).
- › It is good to know that you are frequently using the online eSafety resources from your national Safer Internet Centre. Have you found these resources helpful in your school? Please send your feedback on their use and value to [info-insafe@eun.org](mailto:info-insafe@eun.org).
- › Gather feedback from pupils to see what sort of additional eSafety support they would benefit from outside curriculum time. Could they be involved in delivering some of this to their peers? Check the resource section on the eSafety Label portal to find resources that will help them do this; check out the fact sheet on Pupils' use of online technology outside school at [www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/pupils-use-of-online-technology-outside-school](http://www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/pupils-use-of-online-technology-outside-school).

## Sources of support

- › Ask parents for feedback on the kind of eSafety support which is being provided for them and consider innovative ways to maximise the number of parents who are benefitting from, and accessing it. See the fact sheet Information for parents at [www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/information-for-parents](http://www.esafetylabel.eu/group/community/information-for-parents) to find resources that could be circulated to parents and ideas for parent evenings.

## Staff training

- It is good practise that you provide information to teachers on the technology used by pupils in their freetime. This is important as this awareness is the first step in addressing the issue of powering down for school. At the same time pupils should not be asked to do their homework using technology not available to them outside of schools. You might want to have a look at the [Essie Survey of ICT in schools](#).

**The Assessment Form you submitted is generated from a large pool of questions. It is also useful for us to know if you are improving eSafety in areas not mentioned in the questionnaire. You can upload evidence of such changes via the [Upload evidence](#) on the [My school area](#) section of the eSafety Portal. Remember, the completion of the Assessment Form is just one part of the Accreditation Process, because the upload of evidence, your exchanges with others via the [Forum](#), and your [reporting of incidents](#) on the template provided are all also taken into account.**