

awoo.space

awoo.space is a Mastodon instance where people can rely on a team of moderators to help resolve conflict and uses a server whitelist to minimize abuse.

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Home to

1,190

users

Who authored

71,797

statuses

Connected to

47

other instances

What is Awoo.space?

Awoo.space is a small social network where folks are expected to be respectful of boundaries and identities. We have a dedicated team of moderators available to help deescalate conflict and help educate folks on social missteps if they inadvertently cause harm.

While the Mastodon platform gives its users a great many tools that help to deal with abuse, the nature of federation can expose our users to admins and users on distant instances completely out of their control. To mitigate this possible problem, awoo.space uses a server whitelist to selectively federate with other instances in order to more sustainably grow the network and limit exposure to potential harassment and abuse.

Our vision is to curate a space where folks can be more open with one another while still being able to control their public visibility without being forced to provide emotional labor when folks accidentally step across boundaries.

If things sound too locked down here for you, there are plenty of other great instances you can find from our whitelist below or searching for an instance using instances.mastodon.xyz.

Consider following and supporting our artist, @kyra!

I'm an instance admin. How do I federate with awoo.space?

We think of Awoo.space as a well-run house party, with other instances as the invitees. We need to trust the folks we let into our party, and we need to know they won't bring along anyone else who will make the party suck for everyone. This is especially a concern given how admins can't always account for the actions of all their users, much less users of other instances they federate with.

With that in mind, here's what we look for when deciding whether or not to federate with other instances:

Your instance has a CoC similar to Mastodon.social's, or you agree with Mastodon.social's CoC and follow its principles while administrating your instance

You understand that your users are subject to awoo.space's CoC while interacting with our users

You're not federating with instances whose administration has a history of ignoring or encouraging abuse of Mastodon users on their platform without a genuine attempt to reconcile the harm done. The instances we're currently particularly concerned about are:

shitposter.club

sealion.club

freezepeach.xyz

rainbowdash.net

social.heldscal.la

unsafe.space

social.targaryen.house

We are willing to make exceptions for these rules for very small closed-registration instances as long as your users all respect our CoC when interacting with awoo.space users and are careful to respect whether or not folks are okay with you boosting their posts.

It's worth noting that due to how private posts federate publicly onto GnuSocial, and therefore potentially boostable, we do not federate with GnuSocial instances at this time.

If all of this sounds reasonable to you, please sign up using this [Google Form](#).

Feel free to contact us if you want to discuss these terms or have any questions about federating with us.

Administration

The current administrators of this instance are:

@vahnj

@noiob

Moderators

The current moderators of this instance are:

@inurashii

@thefishcrow

Moderators here take on a different role than other places- they do not have the power to directly silence or ban your account, and are instead are volunteers whom the administration

trusts with a direct line of communication with the admin to help facilitate the respect of boundaries and keep discussion and education civil so that awoo.space is a safe place for folks.

We are interested in more moderators, but are not currently actively searching for new ones. If you are interested, please contact the administrator. We are trying to build a diverse team for this place and if you feel you fit into that and don't mind volunteering then please let us know!

Other Staff

@kyra - Artist

@indi - UI/UX Consultant

Guidelines

The following guidelines are not a legal document, and final interpretation is up to the administration of Awoo.space; they are here to provide you with an insight into our content moderation policies:

When interacting with other users, all users both local and remote are expected to adhere to the following:

Respect boundaries as placed by others

Be respectful/apologize if someone tells you that you cross a boundary accidentally

Give people space if you accidentally push past a boundary

If you are on either side of this and are worried about the situation escalating, contact the admin or a mod

Tag potentially upsetting content such as violence/blood, politics, and other such topics

When interacting with other users, any users (local or remote) will be considered in the wrong in a conversation that goes sour if they participate in the following:

Microaggressions ("not all men", white/man/cis-splaining, using the wrong pronouns to address someone after being corrected, etc)

Demanding education on problematic behavior from a non-admin/moderator

Skirting the lines of being a troll

Not tagging potentially sensitive replies

Ableism, such as by calling out names regarding their mental capacity, pointing out behavior as mental illness as an insult, making fun of folks who experience learning disabilities or autism spectrum disorder, have language speaking deficiencies- whether by a condition or by not being a primary English speaker, and making light of any physical disabilities a person experiences

This is not an exhaustive list. If any of these don't make sense or you would like a deeper explanation, please speak with an admin or moderator- we are more than happy to help you understand the problems with these kinds of behavior.

The following types of content will be removed from the public timeline:

Advertising

Posts that do not tag upsetting content

Untagged nudity, pornography and sexually explicit content

Untagged gore and extremely graphic violence

The following types of content will be removed from the public timeline, and may result in account suspension and revocation of access to the service:

Racism or advocacy of racism

Sexism or advocacy of sexism

Discrimination against gender and sexual minorities, or advocacy thereof

Xenophobic and/or violent nationalism

Ableism or advocacy of ableism, as described above

Arguing with a moderator or admin in bad faith, especially as a new member to the community

The following types of content are explicitly disallowed and will result in revocation of access to the service:

Sexual depictions of children

Content illegal in Germany and/or France, such as holocaust denial or Nazi symbolism

Conduct promoting the ideology of National Socialism

Any conduct intended to stalk or harass other users, or to impede other users from utilizing the service, or to degrade the performance of the service, or to harass other users, or to incite other users to perform any of the aforementioned actions, is also disallowed, and subject to punishment up to and including revocation of access to the service. This includes, but is not limited to, the following behaviors:

Continuing to engage in conversation with a user that has specifically requested for said engagement with that user to cease and desist may be considered harassment, regardless of platform-specific privacy tools employed.

Aggregating, posting, and/or disseminating a person's demographic, personal, or private data without express permission (informally called doxing or dropping dox) may be considered harassment.

Inciting users to engage another user in continued interaction or discussion after a user has requested for said engagement with that user to cease and desist (informally called brigading or dogpiling) may be considered harassment.

These provisions notwithstanding, the administration of the service reserves the right to revoke any user's access permissions, at any time, for any reason, except as limited by law.