

EU General-Purpose AI Code of Practice

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Summary

Operational bridge between EU AIA Arts. 53-55 (general-purpose AI obligations) and provider compliance. Art. 56(8) AIA gives adherent providers a presumption of compliance with the substantive obligations — distinct from industry self-pledges (Anthropic RSP, OpenAI Preparedness, DeepMind FSF) and from intergovernmental voluntary codes (Seoul, G7 Hiroshima). Chapter 1 (Transparency) operationalises Art. 53(1)(a)-(c) model documentation + training-data summary obligations; Chapter 2 (Copyright) operationalises Art. 53(1)(c) opt-out compliance + Art. 53(1)(d) text-and-data-mining respect; Chapter 3 (Safety & Security) operationalises Art. 55 systemic-risk-tier obligations including capability evaluations + serious-incident reporting + cybersecurity protections + model-weight access controls. AI Office monitors implementation; Article 65 binding-decision procedure routes cross-DPA disputes. Not a binding regulation in itself — providers may choose alternative means to demonstrate compliance — but the Code is the AI Office's canonical reference and the operational rulebook national-competent-authorities consult during inspections. Currency (2026-06-21): The European AI Office published the FINAL Code on 10 July 2025 (superseding the 'third draft' described above), endorsed by the Commission and AI Board as an adequate voluntary compliance tool; 23+ providers have signed (Anthropic, OpenAI, Google, Microsoft, Amazon, IBM, Mistral, Aleph Alpha), Meta declined, and xAI signed only the Safety & Security chapter — GPAI obligations apply from 2 Aug 2025 with Commission enforcement beginning 2 Aug 2026 (source: <https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/contents-code-gpai>).

At a glance

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