



Use of Copyrighted Materials in NWCG Content

Copyright rewards creativity by providing content creators with the exclusive rights, among others, to reproduce, distribute, and perform the content they create. The National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) respects the rights of the authors/owners of copyrighted materials.

All employees, contractors, students, and other individuals working on behalf of NWCG must comply with copyright legislation and regulations.

Any use of third-party content in instructional materials must be accompanied by express written permission or license from the copyright-holder. Third-party content includes works created by someone other than yourself: written, visual, and audio media, and copyrighted or trademarked formats.

Necessary permissions/licenses from the authors/owners must be obtained during the development of a project and prior to its completion.

Copyright Compliance Requirements:

For each project, NWCG copyright records shall include a signed NWCG Copyright Compliance Letter providing:

1. A signed statement indicating no third-party content is incorporated into the project; or
2. If third-party content is incorporated into the project:
 - a. Express written permission from the author/owner for use of the third-party content (e.g., a license); or
 - b. Documented justification that the third-party content is available for use (e.g., is in the public domain).

An NWCG Copyright Compliance Letter is attached hereto as an attachment.

Resources:

We strongly encourage the use of NWCG's multi-media library where possible to avoid copyright issues.



Copyright Compliance Letter

For Use of Copyrighted Materials in National Wildfire Coordinating Group Courses.

PURPOSE:

The National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) respects the right of the authors/owners of copyrighted materials. This Copyright Compliance Letter for Use of Copyrighted Materials in NWCG Courses provides documentation of use of third-party content in projects and courses for NWCG.

PROJECT:

COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS:

Please mark the appropriate statement, add any descriptions, and sign below:

- By signing below, I affirm that no third-party content is incorporated into the above-named project; or
- Third-party content is incorporated into the above-named project and by indicating and signing below, I affirm that:
 - Express written permission from the author/owner for use of the third-party content (e.g., a license, has been granted):
 - [DESCRIBE EACH THIRD-PARTY CONTENT AND ATTACH EACH LICENSE] or
 - The third-party content is available for use (e.g., is in the public domain):
 - [DESCRIBE EACH THIRD-PARTY CONTENT AND ATTACH DOCUMENTATION OF ITS AVAILABILITY FOR USE].

Add descriptions here:

Name:

Signature:

Date: