

Copyright laws

Posted by calebzuniga - 2010/08/08 22:02

Can anyone cite any sources that indicate that it's OK to completely copy someone Else's content as long as we have a link at the end? I'm still not entirely comfortable with this process and am concerned about copyright laws.

Thanks!

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Re: Copyright laws

Posted by Carty - 2010/08/10 16:36

If you're more concerned, please refer the individual website' terms of use. Not comfortable yet, you can still populate your blog with content taken from eZineArticles, ClickBank and Amazon affiliate products, PLR articles from your PC and sorts..

Regards,
Carty..

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Re:Copyright laws

Posted by convergence - 2010/08/18 02:38

I also have this concern about using RSS feeds from other peoples sites. I do leave all links intact, but still I can see some possible problems especially when you start ranking higher for their content than they do. I know I would be none too happy if I saw this happen to me.

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Re:Copyright laws

Posted by lugus1 - 2010/08/18 05:49

You may be able to reuse content if:

It is creative commons - the site will have a creative commons link that will tell you exactly how you may reuse it.

If it is for fair use reporting - in other words if you are reporting on something such as a fire/bomb/car crash etc and the information you want to use will go to the greater good.

If you ask the owner of the site if they will let you - some owners will allow it to help improve their reach.

It does not matter if you blatantly copy something and keep or remove the links you are still stealing their

content unless the owner or the law of the land has given you permission in some way.

In my experience there are enough sites/owners allowing reuse to provide sources for most people.

I am not a lawyer/attorney or any qualified legal person so I may be wrong and the information is my opinion not qualified legal advice. You may or may not choose to take my comments on board but it is your own responsibility if you do so.

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Posted by fthomas - 2010/08/24 17:01

Think about this for one moment. Google is the master syndicator. All who install a wordpress blog have the ability to turn off access to the search engines and make the blog private. But if you follow the same rules as the search engines - post the content with the link back, I really don't see a problem. Just don't post material that is copyrighted as in purchased. This is definitely stealing.

In a worst case scenario, the author will contact you and request that you remove their content. Simple, remove the content and email the person back.

Nobody can put you into web jail if you comply with their wishes. Google has exactly the same policy. If they rank your material, you can submit a request for removal and Google will remove it.

Personally I love it when someone syndicates my material AND gives me the backlink. It cheeses me off when they do syndicate with NO backlink.

Frank

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Re:Copyright laws

Posted by lugus1 - 2010/08/24 17:41

Material does not have to be purchased to be covered by copyright law. In most cases the copyright automatically belongs to the person who writes the article unless the author is writing it under contract giving the copyright to another party eg. writing for a magazine/newspaper/third party etc.

By allowing Google to spider your site you are not allowing them to do anything other than index and promote that index in a way they see fit. You are not giving them the authority to transfer those rights to a third party unless you enter a contract with them that specifically says that.

By publishing an RSS feed you are granting people the right to read an article via a feedreader but not to reproduce in any way that forms a new copy either digital or hard copy unless you specifically say that on your website or in the feed. You may be granting them the right to form a temporary copy for the purpose of reading at a future date but that is something that needs to be tested in law.

The responsibility in copyright is for you to ask permission to republish/re-purpose unless the owner has already granted such permission through a mechanism such as Creative Commons/website deceleration etc.

I am not the copyright police and I, like you smile whenever a website republishes my posts, I am just trying to promote dialog between the original owners of the work and people who republish so there can be no misunderstanding as to what they intended.

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Re:Copyright laws

Posted by Bupler - 2010/09/23 09:57

Sorry to bring up old post,

but do all of you link back to original webpage? just curious

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