

DIGITAL MILLENIUM COPYRIGHT ACT POLICY

The Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998 ("DMCA") prohibits the circumvention of copyright protection systems by copying or downloading protected materials, such as movies, music, video games, publications or computer programs, etc..

Farmers Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc., and its wholly owned operating subsidiary, Farmers Telecommunications Corporation ("FTC") is committed to complying with U.S. copyright and related laws and requires all subscribers and users of the Service to comply with these laws. Accordingly, you may not store any material or content on, or disseminate any material or content over the Service (or any part of the Service) in any manner that constitutes an infringement of third-party intellectual property rights, including rights granted by U.S. copyright law. Owners of copyrighted works who believe that their rights under U.S. copyright law have been infringed may take advantage of certain provisions of the DMCA to report alleged infringements. It is FTC's policy in accordance with the DMCA and other applicable laws to reserve the right to terminate the Service provided to any subscriber or user who is either found to infringe third party copyright or other intellectual property rights, including repeat infringers or who FTC believes in its sole discretion is infringing these rights. FTC may terminate the Service at any time with or without notice for any affected subscriber or user.

Copyright owners may report alleged infringements of their works that are stored on the Service or the Personal Web Features by sending FTC's DMCA Designated Agent a notification of claimed infringement that satisfies the requirements of the DMCA. Upon FTC's receipt of a satisfactory notice of claimed infringement for these works, FTC will respond expeditiously to either directly or indirectly (i) remove the allegedly infringing work(s) stored on the Service or the Personal Web Features or (ii) disable access to the work(s). FTC will also notify the affected subscriber or user of the Service of the removal or disabling of access to the work(s). In the event that a subscriber is notified of alleged infringement four (4) or more times, regardless of whether the infringements are concurrent or sporadic, the subscriber is deemed to be a repeat infringer and FTC will proceed with suspending or terminating that subscriber's Service account.

FTC has adopted the following policy to notify its subscribers of DMCA complaint notifications of copyright infringement and to minimize opportunities for repeated infringement:

1. FTC's operational support system will inspect every infringement notice received in FTC's official DMCA complaint inbox (abuse@farmerstel.com).
2. FTC's operational support system will identify the user associated with the Internet Protocol ("IP") address referenced in the complaint.

3. FTC's agent will forward the complainant's notice to the identified subscriber via United States Postal Service to the address on record for the Internet account. Procedures for challenging the notice's validity to the copyright holder are included in this policy under the heading titled "**How do I file a 'counter-notification'?**"
4. In the event that a subscriber is notified of alleged infringement four (4) or more times, regardless of whether the infringements are concurrent or sporadic, the subscriber is deemed to be a repeat infringer and FTC will proceed to suspend or terminate that subscriber's Service account.
5. The account holder will be required to contact or visit FTC's business office in order to restore Internet Access service that has been restricted, suspended or terminated pursuant to this policy. At that time, the subscriber will receive another copy of FTC's Acceptable Use Policy, Standard Terms and Conditions, and DMCA Policy. Service may then be restored to the subscriber within 72 hours.
6. FTC reserves the right to decline a subscriber's request to restore Internet Access service for any additional instances of alleged copyright infringement identifying the IP address associated with the subscriber's Internet Access Account.
7. FTC reserves the sole and exclusive right to determine if any user account, commercial, residential, or otherwise, possesses any network attributes that make automated processing inefficient or potentially inaccurate. In such cases, FTC will otherwise proceed with notification and/or additional actions as required by the DMCA.

DMCA COMPLIANT ELECTRONIC NOTICES OF ALLEGED ABUSE SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO:

abuse@farmerstel.com

FTC has filed with the United States Copyright office the necessary information designating Mr. Goodrich A. Rogers as its agent for notification of any alleged copyright infringement on our network. He can be reached by mail, telephone, or e-mail at the following address:

Full legal name of service provider:	Farmers Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.
Alternate name:	Farmers Telecommunications Corporation
Agent name:	Goodrich A. Rogers
Agent title:	Executive Vice President, Customer Support & Business Development
Address:	P.O. Box 217 144 McCurdy Avenue North

Rainsville, AL 35986-0217

Telephone number:

256-638-2144 or 866-638-2144

Email address:

dmcaviolations@farmerstel.com

You should be aware that complainants who make false claims or misrepresentations concerning copyright infringement may be liable for damages under the DMCA.

What do I do if I believe my copyrighted material is being infringed?

If you believe that your material has been reproduced, posted, stored or transmitted to FTC's website in a way that constitutes infringement, please submit a notification pursuant to the DMCA by providing FTC's designated agent (contact provided above) with all of the following information in writing:

- a. A physical or electronic signature of a person authorized to act on behalf of the copyright owner of an exclusive right that is allegedly infringed;
- b. Identification of the copyrighted work(s) that you believe has been infringed;
- c. Identification of the material that you believe is infringing on your copyrighted work, or that is the subject of infringing activity, that needs to be removed or access to which it is to be disabled, and information reasonably sufficient to allow FTC to locate the material;
- d. Information sufficient to allow FTC to contact you (your mailing address and telephone number, along with your e-mail address, if available).
- e. The following statement by you: "I have a good faith belief that the use of the copyrighted materials described above in the manner complained of is not authorized by the copyright owner, its agent or the law."
- f. The following statement by you: "I swear, under penalty of perjury, that the information in this notification is accurate and that I am the copyright owner or authorized to act on the copyright owner's behalf."

How do I file a "counter-notification"?

If an affected subscriber believes in good faith that the allegedly infringing works have been removed or blocked by mistake or misidentification, then they may send a counter-notification to FTC's designated agent at the address previously noted. Upon FTC's receipt of a counter-notification that satisfies the requirements of DMCA, FTC will provide a copy of the counter-notification to the person who sent the original notification of claimed infringement and will

follow the DMCA's procedures with respect to a received counter-notification. This process will invoke a dispute between you and the complaining party. In all events, you expressly agree that FTC will not be a party to any disputes or lawsuits regarding alleged copyright infringement.

Your counter-notification must be in writing and include all of the following information:

- a. A physical or electronic signature of an authorized person;
- b. Identification of the material that was removed or access to which has been disabled and the location at which the material appeared before it was removed or access to it was disabled;
- c. At least one of the following statements by you: "I swear, under penalty of perjury, that I have a good faith belief that the materials described above were mistakenly removed or disabled" or "I swear, under penalty of perjury, that I have a good faith belief that the materials described above were removed or disabled because of misidentification."
- d. Information sufficient to allow FTC to contact you (your name, address, and telephone number, along with your e-mail address, if available).
- e. The following statement by you: "I consent to the jurisdiction of the Federal District Court for the Judicial District in which I am located and I will accept service of process from the complainant."

WARNING: A person making a copyright infringement notification or a counter- notification shall be liable to FTC for any damages incurred by FTC or any other party resulting from some material misrepresentation.

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