Developer Terms

Last updated October 16, 2026

Web version: noctic.ink/developers/terms. This PDF was made on October 16, 2026 from the text published there; later changes appear on the web page.

These terms apply when you build on Noctic: when you register an app, use Continue with Noctic, hold an API key or a class key, receive webhooks, or call any documented endpoint. They sit alongside the Terms of Service (noctic.ink/terms) and the Acceptable Use Policy (noctic.ink/acceptable-use), which keep applying to your own account. Registering an app, or using a key, means you accept them. Noctic is operated by Nicholas Steiche, carrying on business as Noctic, in Montreal, Quebec, Canada ("Noctic", "we", "us").

1. Who may build

You must hold a Noctic Account and be at least eighteen, or be acting for an organisation that has authorised you. If you build for an organisation, these terms bind that organisation and you confirm you may accept them for it.

The details you give when you register an app, including its name and homepage, must be accurate and must describe the product the people signing in will actually be using.

2. What these terms cover

- Continue with Noctic: OAuth 2.0 with an authorisation code, optional PKCE, access and refresh tokens, and the userinfo endpoint.
- App credentials: client IDs, client secrets and redirect URIs, managed from API keys (noctic.ink/developers/keys).
- Class keys for Class Sync and the Cadence Teacher API, in their publishable and secret forms.
- Webhooks we send to you, and the developer tools that help you test each step.

3. Credentials

A client secret is shown once, when you create the app. Keep it, and every secret class key, on a server, in an environment variable or a secret manager. Never put a secret in a browser, a mobile app bundle, a public repository or a screenshot. If a secret may have been exposed, roll it straight away from API keys (noctic.ink/developers/keys).

You are responsible for everything done with your credentials. A publishable class key may appear in a web page; it can only send material and cannot read anything back. The Teacher API accepts the secret key only and sends no CORS headers, because it handles class registers.

4. Scopes and consent

Ask only for the scopes your app needs at the moment it needs them, and say on your own site why you need each one. The scopes are identity, profile, email and api. The api scope lets your app make model requests on a person's behalf, drawn from their plan, and is granted only when we approve it.

The consent screen shows your app's name and homepage, and the scopes it asks for. Apps outside the Developer Program are shown as coming from an unverified developer. You must not disguise your app, imitate Noctic or another developer, or try to get consent by misleading anyone.

Some data is not available through any scope: date of birth, plan history, moderation records, private notes, direct messages and assistant conversations. Do not try to obtain it some other way.

5. Using what you receive

Everything your app receives through Noctic is governed by the Developer Data Policy (noctic.ink/developers/data-policy). In short: use it only to run the feature the person asked for, never sell it, protect it, and delete it when you no longer need it.

6. Limits

Endpoints are rate limited, and the limits are documented with each API. Class Sync and the Teacher API share 60 calls a minute per key, and the token and userinfo endpoints are limited per token. Do not try to get around a limit, for example by spreading calls across keys or accounts. Members of the Developer Program receive raised limits as described in the Developer Program Agreement (noctic.ink/developers/program-agreement).

7. Webhooks

Every webhook carries its signature in the X-Noctic-Signature header. Verify it against the raw body with your signing secret, compare in constant time, and refuse deliveries older than five minutes. A request that fails these checks did not come from us, and you must not act on it.

8. What you must not do

- Collect sign-in details for a Noctic Account anywhere except our own sign-in pages.
- Sell, rent or trade data you receive through Noctic, or hand it to a data broker or an advertising network.
- Use Noctic data to monitor, profile or track students, or to make decisions about a person's eligibility for credit, insurance, housing, employment or education.
- Train or fine-tune a machine-learning model on data about Noctic users unless each person has given you their clear, separate consent to it.
- Scrape our products, test the security of systems you do not own, or interfere with the service, other than through the disclosure process on the Security page (noctic.ink/security).
- Build an app that breaks the Acceptable Use Policy (noctic.ink/acceptable-use) or helps others to break it.

9. Names and the button

You may use the Continue with Noctic button in the form we provide on API keys (noctic.ink/developers/keys), and you may say that your app signs in with Noctic. You may not suggest that Noctic made, endorses or certifies your app, and any other use of our names and marks follows the Trademarks page (noctic.ink/trademarks).

10. Your app and your users

Your app is yours, and so is your relationship with the people who use it. If your app asks for profile or email, its homepage must link to a privacy policy that explains what you receive from Noctic and why. Give your users a way to reach you, and answer them. We may pass you a request from one of your users about their data.

11. Changes to the platform

We may change, add or retire endpoints, scopes and limits. For a change that would break a documented endpoint we aim to give at least thirty days' notice in the changelog (noctic.ink/changelog). We may act faster where security, the law or the safety of users requires it.

12. Price

The developer platform and the Developer Program are free at present. If we ever introduce a charge, we will announce it at least thirty days before it applies, and nothing will be charged to you without your agreement.

13. Suspension and ending

You may delete your app, or stop using a key, at any time. We may suspend or revoke an app, a key or a scope where these terms are broken, where an app puts users or the service at risk, or where the law requires it. Where it is safe and lawful to do so, we will tell you why and give you a chance to put it right first.

When your access ends, stop using Noctic data and delete it as the Developer Data Policy (noctic.ink/developers/data-policy) requires. Sections 5, 8, 14, 15 and 16 continue to apply.

14. No warranty

The developer platform is provided as it is and as available, without a service level, and Cadence and other products marked beta may change or break. Live incidents are posted on the status page (noctic.ink/status).

15. Liability

To the extent the law allows, we are not liable for lost profits, lost data or indirect damages, and our total liability under these terms is limited to the greater of the amount you paid us in the twelve months before the claim and one hundred Canadian dollars. Nothing here limits liability for intentional or gross fault, for bodily or moral injury, or any other liability that cannot lawfully be limited.

You are responsible for claims brought against Noctic that arise from your app, from your use of Noctic data, or from your breach of these terms, except to the extent we caused them.

16. Law, changes and contact

These terms are governed by the laws of Quebec and the federal laws of Canada that apply there. The courts of the judicial district of Montreal have jurisdiction, except where the law of the place you live gives you the right to bring proceedings at home. Nothing in them removes a right you hold under the Quebec Consumer Protection Act or any other consumer law that cannot be contracted out of.

We may update these terms. Material changes are announced at least thirty days before they apply. If you keep using the platform after that, the new terms apply; if you do not accept them, delete your app before they take effect. Questions about these terms go to legal@noctic.ink.

Copyright 2026 Noctic™. All rights reserved. Noctic, Shiba AI, Cadence and Noctic Compass are trademarks of Noctic.