

Policy for CIIT Islamabad VPN Users

1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for Remote Access IPsec or PPTP Virtual Private Network (VPN) connections to the COMSATS campus network.

2. Scope

This policy applies to all those CIIT Islamabad employees who are utilizing VPNs to access the CIIT Islamabad network. The VPN user will also be subject to the conditions and performance constraints of their chosen ISP.

3. Policy

- a) The service is available only for those CIIT Islamabad employees and research students who have been registered through proper procedure.
- b) It is also the responsibility of users with VPN privileges (VPN Users) to ensure that unauthorized users are not allowed access to COMSATS Islamabad internal networks.
- c) VPN users are responsible for their password security. Sharing credentials is illegal. The password should be alpha-numeric and not less than eight (8) characters.
- d) VPN users will be automatically disconnected from VPN after sixty minutes of inactivity. The user must logon again to reconnect to the network. Artificial network processes are not to be used to keep the connection open.
- e) The users should ensure that his/her system is healthy, updated and secure before connecting VPN. If the system is found having viruses, worms, spammers, or any network scanner; the infected system will be disconnected from the COMSATS VPN.
- f) The objective of this service is to provide digital library access to the researcher of COMSATS Islamabad campus. Any kind of misuse, redirection, use of network discovery tools and penetration testing is not permitted to use while connected with CIIT Islamabad network.
- g) CIIT Islamabad reserves the right to audit all VPN client systems, and all communication between VPN Users systems and the CIIT Islamabad network, for compliance with all applicable Information Technology Services security requirements.
- h) VPN Users connecting to the VPN server using a broadband connection, such as cable or DSL, must install and enable a software firewall on their machines.

4. Enforcement

Any User found to have violated this policy may be subject to disciplinary action.