# D-SAFE

*A trust label for educational works*

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D-SAFE

# A trust label for *educational works*

Professional classification, powered by cutting-edge AI, for public-domain review and corpus collections around the world. We check who wrote a work, whether it's safe for learners, and whether it's free to share.

> Every decision comes with a written reason, and every review goes on a public ledger. A work reviewed once can be trusted by every library, everywhere.

● Now accepting pilot applications

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ILLUSTRATIVE REVIEW RECORDS

## Approved, or refused with a reason.

Examples of the record every decision produces. Public records are not available yet.

REVIEW RECORD · ILL-0001 — ILLUSTRATIVE

WORK

### Seed Saving for Small Gardens

Submitted by: Educator

- ✓ **Real author** — Drafts and a signed statement from the author
- ✓ **Safe content** — No topic from the exclusion list
- ✓ **Free to share** — Released by the author under an open licence

DECISION

**Approved**




WRITTEN REASON

*A person wrote it, it stays clear of every excluded topic, and anyone may share it. This work carries the D-SAFE label.*

REVIEW RECORD · ILL-0002 — ILLUSTRATIVE

WORK

### The Complete Guide to Composting

Submitted by: Publisher

- ✗ **Real author** — Machine-written text; no drafts or author statement
- ✓ **Safe content** — No topic from the exclusion list
- ✓ **Free to share** — Openly licensed

DECISION

**Refused**




WRITTEN REASON

*We could not confirm that a person wrote this work. The subject is fine. Send drafts or a signed authorship statement and we will look again.*



NOW ACCEPTING PILOT APPLICATIONS

# Bring us a work.
# *We'll bring you a reason.*

Educators, authors, libraries and corpus builders can apply to have their first works reviewed during the pilot. Benefactors can sponsor a public-domain book. Write to us with the title, a link, and what you know about its rights.

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Apply for the pilot · Sponsor a public-domain book · Report a copyright problem

ROADMAP

# Where we are going.

## 2026

Establishment of the D-SAFE registry.

DONE

## 2027

Public review collection for the D-Open Code Sovereign Licence.

## 2028

Certification union assessment service for the D-Open Code Sovereign Licence.



ILLUSTRATIVE REVIEW RECORDS

# Every refusal says what would change it.

Examples of the record every decision produces. Public records are not available yet.

REVIEW RECORD · ILL-0003 — ILLUSTRATIVE

WORK

### Home Remedies for Winter Colds

Submitted by: Author

- ✓ **Real author** — Original work by the named author
- ✗ **Safe content** — Gives treatment advice (excluded: Medicine)
- ✓ **Free to share** — Public domain dedication

DECISION

**Refused**

WRITTEN REASON

*The writing is original and free to share, but it gives medical advice, which is on the public exclusion list. This is about the topic, not the author.*

REVIEW RECORD · ILL-0004 — ILLUSTRATIVE

WORK

### Bridges of Europe, 1987 edition (scan)

Submitted by: Library

- ✓ **Real author** — Named human authors
- ✓ **Safe content** — No topic from the exclusion list
- ✗ **Free to share** — Still in copyright; no licence to share it

DECISION

**Refused**

WRITTEN REASON

*The book is still in copyright and the library has no licence to share it. A licence from the rights holder would let us review it again.*

THE STANDARD

# Three checks. *One label.*

1

### Real author

A person wrote it, and it isn't copied.

+

2

### Safe content

It avoids every topic on our public exclusion list.

+

3

### Free to share

It is public domain or properly licensed.

=






STEP BY STEP

# How a review works

01

### Check

Read the exclusion list and make sure the work is yours, or free, to share.

02

### Send

Send us the title, a link, and your proof of authorship and rights.

03

### Review

AI-assisted classification checks the three things (author, content, rights) against the standard.

04

### Publish

You get a decision and a written reason, and both go on the public ledger. Approved works carry the label.

WHO IT'S FOR

# One label, *five kinds of trust.*

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| Educators & authors | NEED A trusted way to show their work is really theirs, safe for learners, and free to share. |
| Institutions & libraries | NEED To know a work can be trusted and legally shared before it joins a collection or corpus, and to reuse reviews other collections have already paid for. |
| Benefactors & foundations | NEED To fund the digitisation and review of a public-domain book once, knowing the result becomes a public good. |
| Researchers, authorities & regulators | NEED A dated record of what was checked on a work, and what was decided. |
| Copyright holders | NEED A clear way to report misuse of their work and have unauthorised copies removed. |



EVERY DECISION

# A refusal without a reason is ~~censorship~~.
# A refusal with a reason is *stewardship*.

Every decision — approval or refusal — comes with a written reason. You always know what was checked, what was found, and what would change the outcome.

REUSABLE BY DESIGN

# Reviewed once. *Trusted everywhere.*

A review shouldn't sit in one library's files. Every D-SAFE review is stored publicly on web3: cost-effective smart contracts keep a public ledger of every decision and its reason, open to everyone and owned by no one.

When a library in one country clears a work, a library on the other side of the world doesn't have to pay to check it again.

> **AI reads. People write.** AI does the heavy reading at the scale of whole collections. It never writes the works we label: the standard itself requires a human author.

01 **Funded**
A benefactor pays for a public-domain book to be scanned, digitised and assessed.

02 **Reviewed**
D-SAFE classifies the work against the public standard and writes down the reason.

03 **Published**
The decision is recorded automatically on a public ledger by a low-cost smart contract.

04 **Open to all**
Anyone can read it, question it, correct it, appeal it, and rely on it.



SAFE CONTENT, DEFINED IN PUBLIC

# Ten topics a D-SAFE work stays away from.

Nothing personal, and no judgement of quality: these subjects are simply out of scope. The list is public, so you can check a work yourself before you send it.

NO **Ecological harm**
No advocacy for deforestation, pollution or species loss.

NO **Explicit content or violence**
Suitable for every age.

NO **Politics**
No partisan debate or campaigning.

NO **History**
No disputed or speculative historical narratives.

NO **Fiction**
Factual, real-world information only.

NO **AI generation**
Human-authored content only.

NO **Stolen content**
No plagiarism, no third-party infringement.

NO **Spirituality**
No religious proselytising.

NO **Medicine**
No medical advice, diagnosis or treatment.

NO **Psychological profiling**
No generalising about groups of people.