

Civmec is an integrated, multidisciplinary construction and engineering services provider to the energy, resources, infrastructure, marine and defence sectors.

The Social Media Policy outlines protocols for using social media to undertake official Civmec business and provides guidance for employees in their personal use of social media.

Social media tools are defined in this policy as all online media which allows user participation and interaction, including:

- social networking sites and forums (e.g. Facebook, LinkedIn, Reddit);
- video and photo sharing websites (e.g. YouTube, Instagram, TikTok, Snapchat);
- microblogging (e.g. X [formerly Twitter]);
- blogs, including corporate and personal blogs or those hosted by media outlets (e.g. comments features);
- instant messaging (e.g. SMS, WhatsApp);
- wikis and online collaborations (e.g. Wikipedia); and
- geo-spatial tagging (e.g. Foursquare, Facebook check-in).

Official use

The Marketing Department manages and authorises the use of all official Civmec social media accounts. The Department is responsible for engaging online with stakeholders and the general public in an official capacity.

Comments made from Civmec social media accounts must not:

- endorse or make judgments about specific clients, competitors, partners or projects;
- post or respond to material that is offensive, obscene, defamatory, threatening, harassing, bullying, discriminatory, hateful, racist, sexist, infringes copyright, constitutes a contempt of court, breaches a court suppression order, or is otherwise unlawful;
- use or disclose any confidential or secure information; nor
- comment or post any material that might otherwise cause damage to the company's reputation or bring it into disrepute.

If an online discussion involves specific individual circumstances or personal details, the moderator must 'switch channel' by directing members of the public to an alternative medium (e.g. telephone, direct message, email, letter, face-to-face) as appropriate.

Personal use

Civmec employees should be aware that content published on social media is, or may become, publicly available, even from personal social media accounts.

Employees must ensure they don't post comments, images or videos that are, or could be perceived to be:

- made on behalf of Civmec or management;
- so harsh or extreme in criticism that they raise questions about the capacity to work professionally or impartially as a Civmec employee (such comments would not have to relate directly to their area of work);
- compromising their capacity to fulfil duties as a Civmec employee in an impartial and unbiased manner;
- so strong in criticism of Civmec's administration that it could seriously disrupt the workplace (employees are encouraged to resolve concerns in discussion with a manager or via internal dispute resolution mechanisms); nor
- so unreasonable in criticism of Civmec clients or other stakeholders that it could compromise public confidence in Civmec.



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