

Teach Act Checklist

To ensure your copyrighted use complies with the Teach Act you must satisfy *all* of the following:

- My institution is a nonprofit accredited educational institution or a governmental agency
- It has a policy on the use of copyrighted materials
- It provides accurate information to faculty, students and staff about copyright
- Its systems will not interfere with technological controls within the materials I want to use
- The materials I want to use are specifically for students in my class
- Only those students will have access to the materials
- The materials will be provided at my direction during the relevant lesson
- The materials are directly related and of material assistance to my teaching content
- My class is part of the regular offerings of my institution
- I will include a notice that the materials are protected by copyright
- I will use technology that reasonably limits the students' ability to retain or further distribute the materials
- I will make the materials available to the students only for a period of time that is relevant to the context of a class session
- I will store the materials on a secure server and transmit them only as permitted by this law
- I will not make any copies other than the one I need to make the transmission
- The materials are of the proper type and amount the law authorizes:
 - Entire performances of nondramatic literary and musical works
 - Reasonable and limited parts of a dramatic literary, musical, or audiovisual works
 - Displays of other works, such as images, in amounts similar to typical displays in face-to-face teaching
- The materials are not among those the law specifically excludes from its coverage:
 - Materials specifically marketed for classroom use for digital distance education
 - Copies I know or should know are illegal
 - Textbooks, coursepacks, electronic reserves and similar materials typically purchased individually by the students for independent review outside the classroom or class session
- If I am using an analog original, I checked before digitizing it to be sure:
 - I copied only the amount that I am authorized to transmit
 - There is no digital copy of the work available except with technological protections that prevent my using it for the class in the way the statute authorizes