

LEGAL / CREATIVE & DIGITAL ASSETS

Intellectual Property Policy

Ownership, permitted use and protection of AGS creative works and digital assets.

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This policy does not certify ownership, registration or patent status for any individual asset. Asset-specific rights and any patent notices require supporting records and review by an appropriately qualified intellectual property adviser.

1. Who we are and what this policy covers

Automated Governance Systems Ltd (AGS), company number 16076383, has its registered office at 71-75 Shelton Street, Covent Garden, London, WC2H 9JQ, United Kingdom. This policy explains the intellectual property rights (IPR) associated with our website, products and creative works.

The scope includes AGS-origin software and source code, APIP, SCADA for AI, HELIX interfaces and materials, apps, workflows, original documentation, publications, downloadable guides, Academy learning materials, photographs, illustrations, logos, visual designs, animations, audio, video and other digital assets. Listing a category does not establish ownership of every item in it.

2. Ownership of AGS assets

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Ownership and permitted use of customer-specific outputs, configurations and deliverables depend on the applicable agreement, underlying rights and law. This policy does not transfer customer rights to AGS or promise customers ownership of all generated outputs. Customers must have appropriate permissions for their inputs and intended uses.

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Patent rights are distinct from copyright and design rights. An invention is not patented merely because it has been developed, described in a guide or included in software. This policy provides no evidence of an AGS filing, pending application or granted patent.

Any future 'patent pending' notice must relate to a verified, current application and accurately identify its scope and territory where appropriate. A pending application can be refused, withdrawn or lapse; it is not a grant or a guarantee of enforceable rights. Granted-patent notices likewise require verified grant and status records.

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Authoritative guidance

These sources provide background guidance. The AI consultation is not a statement of enacted law; verify current law before relying on it.

UK IPO — Ownership of copyright works

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ownership-of-copyright-works>

UK IPO — How your unregistered designs are protected

<https://www.gov.uk/unregistered-designs>

UK IPO — Register a design

<https://www.gov.uk/register-a-design>

UK IPO — Patent application notices (section 111)

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-patent-act-1977/section-111-offences-unauthorised-claim-that-patent-has-been-applied-for>

UK Government — Copyright and artificial intelligence consultation (background, not a statement of enacted law)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/copyright-and-artificial-intelligence/copyright-and-artificial-intelligence>

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