

# Terms of Use

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Welcome to **The Incident**, a weekly production incident challenge operated by **Stealthy McStealth**.

By accessing or participating in the challenge, you agree to the following Terms of Use.

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# 1. Overview

The Incident is a weekly online challenge where participants investigate a simulated production incident and attempt to identify the root cause.

Participation in the challenge is voluntary.

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# 2. Eligibility

To participate in the challenge you must:

- be at least 18 years old
- sign in using a valid LinkedIn account
- follow the Stealthy McStealth LinkedIn page
- provide accurate information when registering

Participants who do not meet these requirements may be disqualified.

Participation is void where prohibited by law.

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# 3. Challenge Rules

Each challenge consists of a simulated production incident scenario.

Participants must identify the root cause based on the information provided within the challenge interface.

Leaderboard ranking is determined by:

1. Correct answer
2. Time required to submit the correct answer

The participant with the fastest correct solution is considered the weekly winner.

Stealthy McStealth reserves the right to invalidate submissions that:

- attempt to manipulate or exploit the system
- use automated scripts or bots
- create multiple accounts
- violate the intended spirit of the challenge

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# 4. Time Limit

Each challenge session has a limited time window.

The timer begins when the participant enters the investigation environment.

Timers cannot be paused or restarted.

If the timer expires before a correct answer is submitted, the session is considered unsuccessful.

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# 5. The Winner



The winner does not receive a prize of any sort, unless explicitly stated otherwise within a specific challenge.

Winners will receive recognition on Stealthy McStealth's social media pages and website.

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# 6. Leaderboard and Public Recognition

Participants who rank in the **Top 10** may have the following information publicly displayed:

- Name
- Photo
- leaderboard position
- solve time

The winner and Top 10 participants will be announced on the **Stealthy McStealth LinkedIn page**.

By participating in the challenge, you consent to this publication.

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# 7. Use of Participant Data

By participating in the challenge, you agree that Stealthy McStealth may collect and use the following information:

- name
- LinkedIn profile information
- email address (if provided)
- challenge performance data
- solve times and leaderboard ranking

This information may be used to:

- operate the challenge
- verify leaderboard results
- contact participants



- announce winners
- send future updates about challenges or related projects
- Send future updates regarding the product behind this challenge (currently in stealth)

Your data will not be sold to third parties.

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# 8. Prohibited Behavior

Participants may not:

- use automated tools or scripts to interact with the challenge
- reverse engineer or attempt to extract hidden challenge data
- attempt to manipulate leaderboard results
- disrupt or interfere with the platform
- impersonate another participant

Violation of these rules may result in disqualification or removal from the leaderboard.

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# 9. Platform Availability

The challenge platform is provided **as is** without warranties of any kind.

Stealthy McStealth does not guarantee uninterrupted access or error-free operation.

The challenge may be modified, paused, or discontinued at any time.

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# 10. Changes to the Challenge

Stealthy McStealth reserves the right to:

- modify challenge mechanics



- adjust rules
- change prize structure
- cancel or suspend a challenge

These decisions are final.

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# 11. Limitation of Liability

To the maximum extent permitted by law, Stealthy McStealth is not liable for:

- technical failures
- lost or incomplete submissions
- interruptions in platform availability
- disputes between participants

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# 12. Contact

For questions about these Terms of Use or the challenge, contact:

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