

Agency Guidance for AI Use

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NSF	<p>Notice to Research Community (Dec 2023) & PAPPG Supplements</p> <p>Direct policy URL: NSF AI Merit Review Notice</p>	Yes , with full PI accountability for accuracy and integrity.	Encouraged within the Project Description.	Prohibited (violates Form 1230P confidentiality).
NIH	<p>NOT-OD-25-132 (2025); NOT-OD-23-149 (2023); May 2026 Nexus Notice</p> <p>Direct policy URL: NIH Notice NOT-OD-25-132</p>	Limited (editing/formatting only; cannot be "substantially developed by AI").	Expected when used for research development or data analysis.	Prohibited (strictly banned for analyzing or critiquing).
NASA	<p>Science Mission Directorate (SMD) ROSES FAQs</p>	Yes , treated similarly to assistance from professional human writers.	Required via formal citation (tool, version, date/time, and contribution).	Prohibited under standard non-disclosure rules.

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	Direct policy URL: NASA SMD ROSES FAQs			
NEH	Application Guidance on Generative AI Direct policy URL: NEH AI Policy for Grant Proposals (PDF)	Yes , as a writing, drafting, or editing aid.	Required via explicit footnotes or marginal notations for inserted AI text.	Prohibited under reviewer confidentiality rules.
DOE	FOA-Specific Instructions (Note: DOE P 2031 is internal only) Direct policy URL: DOE Generative AI Reference Guide	Yes , as an aid to writing and idea development unless restricted by an FOA.	FOA-dependent (no department-wide applicant mandate).	Restricted under merit review confidentiality agreements.

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DoD / USDA / USGS	<p>Solicitation-Specific (BAA / NOFO) & Research Misconduct Policies</p> <p>Direct policy URL: DARPA proposer instructions (DoD)</p> <p>Additional URL: NIFA panelist guidance (USDA; peer review)</p> <p>Additional URL: USGS Generative AI FAQ</p>	<p>Yes, for basic editing, subject to CUI/export control and originality rules.</p>	<p>Solicitation-dependent (governed by standard plagiarism/attribution rules).</p>	<p>Prohibited for non-public solicitation/proposal data.</p>

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