

AI-assisted development policy

Approved tools · handling rules · warranties

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01 SCOPE AND CLIENT CONTROL

Outecho engineers use AI coding assistants as part of normal development. This policy sets out which tools are approved, how client material is handled, and what Outecho warrants about the resulting work. It applies to every engineer, employed or contracted, for the duration of an engagement.

The client decides. Before work begins, the client selects one of three regimes, which Outecho records and applies:

- **Permitted** — approved tools may be used under the rules in section 03.
- **Permitted with restrictions** — the client names the tools, repositories or data that are excluded.
- **Not permitted** — no AI assistant is used on the engagement.

Where the client has its own AI policy, that policy governs and this one steps back. Where the client provides its own AI tooling and accounts, engineers use those in preference to Outecho's.

02 APPROVED TOOLS

TOOL	USED FOR	REQUIRED ACCOUNT AND CONFIGURATION
Claude Code Anthropic	Code generation, refactoring, review and test authoring in the terminal and IDE.	Commercial plan or API on an Outecho- or client-held account, with a data processing agreement in place and inputs excluded from model training
GitHub Copilot GitHub / Microsoft	Inline code completion and chat inside the IDE.	Copilot Business or Enterprise seat, never an individual or free seat; training on prompts and suggestions disabled at organisation level
Cursor Anysphere	AI-assisted editing and multi-file changes in the editor.	Team plan with Privacy Mode enforced organisation-wide and a signed DPA. Cursor routes requests to third-party model providers; the providers in use are disclosed on request
ChatGPT OpenAI	General reasoning and documentation support. Not used as a code assistant on client repositories.	Business, Enterprise or API account only, with training disabled. Consumer and free tiers are not used for any client work

Tier, configuration and DPA status were confirmed for every tool listed above as at September 2026, and are confirmed again on request. A tool is not used on client work until it is on the account and configuration stated in its row. Adding a tool follows the same notice as a sub-processor: clients are informed at least 30 days in advance and may object on reasonable grounds.

03 HANDLING RULES

Never submitted	Credentials, secrets, keys, tokens and configuration containing them. Personal data of the client's customers, employees or users. Any material the client has marked confidential or restricted. Whole proprietary repositories, where a tool's terms do not exclude training.
Human review	All AI-assisted output is read, understood and tested by the engineer before it enters a client codebase. The engineer is responsible for the code as if written by hand. Output is never committed unreviewed, and AI assistance is not a defence for a defect.

Agents and MCP	Agentic tooling that can read a repository, run commands or call external services is treated as a higher risk class than code completion. It is used only with the client's knowledge, scoped to the repositories and commands required, and never with credentials beyond those already granted for the engagement. Connections to external services through such tooling are disclosed to the client.
Open source	Engineers check the licence of any component before use, whether written by hand or suggested by a tool. Copyleft licences of the GPL and AGPL family are not introduced into a client's proprietary codebase without prior written client approval. Components used are disclosed on request.
Client tooling	Where an engineer works inside the client's own environment and accounts, the client's logging, policies and retention settings apply, and Outecho does not route that work through Outecho-held tools.
Recorded per client	Client-specific AI configuration — the regime chosen under section 01, any excluded tools, repositories or data, and the tool list in use — is recorded in the engagement summary the client receives before day one. Any change to it is agreed in writing and the summary is reissued.

04 RIGHTS AND WARRANTIES

Outecho warrants that no client confidential material has been submitted to any tool whose terms permit training on it, and that AI-assisted portions of the work results have been reviewed and are delivered free of known third-party rights conflicts.

Outecho grants the client all rights it holds in the work results, on the terms of the client agreement, whether a given passage was written by hand or with AI assistance. Where machine-generated material may not attract copyright protection under applicable law, Outecho treats it as confidential to the client and imposes no restriction on the client's use of it.

These warranties are given at the level of Outecho's own conduct. Outecho does not warrant the behaviour or terms of a third-party AI provider, and reports to the client any change in a provider's terms that affects this policy.

05 REVIEW AND CONTACT

This policy is reviewed twice yearly and whenever a tool's terms change materially. Questions and requests for the current tool configuration: benjamin@outecho.com.

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