

Rules for Joint Research Involving Use of the Spatial Data Platform for Researches at Center for Spatial Information Science, The University of Tokyo

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Article 1 (Purpose)

The purpose of these rules is to outline critical information regarding joint research that makes use of the Spatial Data Platform for Researches (“Data Platform”) at Center for Spatial Information Science, The University of Tokyo (“the Center”).

Article 2 (Definition of Terms)

1. Joint research involving the use of the Data Platform at the Center for Spatial Information Science, The University of Tokyo shall be called “Joint Research”.
2. A faculty who belongs to the Center and participates in Joint Research shall be called a “Center Faculty”.
3. A researcher other than a Center Faculty who participates in Joint Research shall be called a “Joint Research Investigator”.
4. A Center Faculty or a Joint Researcher who is a representative for Joint Research shall be called a “Principal Joint Research Investigator” or “PI”.
5. The web server system through which the Data Platform approved for Joint Research can be used shall be called “the Joint Research Assist System” or “JoRAS”.
6. The organization that examines Joint Research shall be called “the National Joint Research Examination Committee”.
7. In these rules, “fiscal year” starts on April 1 and ends on March 31 of the next year.

Article 3 (Principal Joint Research Investigator Qualifications)

Any person to which any of the following apply and who has been deemed appropriate by the Chairman of the National Joint Research Examination Committee (“the Chairman”) may become a PI.

- (1) A faculty at the University of Tokyo or its equivalent.
- (2) A person who belongs to a research institution other than the University of Tokyo and is engaged only in research or in research and education.

Article 4 (Joint Research Investigator Qualifications)

Any person to which any of the following apply and who has been deemed appropriate by the Chairman may become a Joint Research Investigator.

- (1) A faculty at the University of Tokyo or its equivalent.
- (2) A person who belongs to a research institution other than the University of Tokyo and is engaged only in research or in research and education.
- (3) An undergraduate student, a graduate student, or a research student who conducts research under the guidance of a Joint Research Investigator specified above.
- (4) In addition to those listed above, a person who has been specifically deemed appropriate by the Chairman.

Article 5 (Conditions for Joint Research)

Joint Research refers to research jointly conducted by Center Faculties and Joint Research Investigators. As a form of academic research, Joint Research must be aimed at publishing research outcomes in a specific form, such as an academic research paper.

Article 6 (Application for Joint Research)

Persons who wish to conduct Joint Research must apply by submitting the application for a Joint Research to the Chairman to request approval.

Article 7 (Approval of Joint Research)

1. Upon receiving the application under the preceding Article, the Chairman shall give approval as he or she deems appropriate.
2. Approval under the preceding paragraph shall be valid only during the relevant single fiscal year.
3. Upon obtaining an approval, the PI and Joint Research Investigators shall immediately submit a written pledge promising to comply with the conditions specified under Article 8.
4. The written pledge submitted under the preceding paragraph shall be valid only during the relevant single fiscal year. However, a person who participates in more than one Joint Research project shall be required to submit a written pledge only for the Joint Research project that starts earliest.

Article 8 (Use of the Center by Joint Research Investigators)

1. Joint Research Investigators may use the Center and the Data Platform facilities within the range of research activities described in the application form submitted in advance.
2. Joint Research Investigators must respect the agreement between the provider of the Data Platform and the Center and must not sell, rent, transfer or permit use of the Data Platform or modified versions of it to any third party.
3. Passwords for JoRAS personal registration accounts shall be strictly controlled and are the responsibility of the Joint Research Investigator.
4. Joint Research Investigators and the PI shall be liable for any damages to Center and the Data Platform facilities resulting from use by Joint Research Investigators performing Joint Research.
5. Center Faculties shall ensure that Joint Research Investigators comply with the preceding provisions.

Article 9 (Responsibility for Expenses)

Expenses incurred under paragraph 4 of the preceding Article shall be borne by Joint Research Investigators and the PI.

Article 10 (Additional Joint Research Content)

1. Approval must be obtained for any addition or removal of a Joint Research Investigator or the Data Platform used for a Joint Research. The approval shall be applied for by submitting to the Chairman the application to change Joint Research.
2. Upon receiving the application under the preceding Article, the Chairman shall give approval as he or she deems appropriate.
3. Validity of the approval under the preceding paragraph may not exceed the approval period of the Joint Research.
4. Upon request from the provider of the Data Platform, the Chairman may restrict the use of the Data Platform by Joint Research Investigators or the PI.

Article 11 (Application for Continuation)

1. A Joint Research Investigator who wishes to continue Joint Research beyond the approval period must apply by submitting to the Chairman the application for continuation of Joint Research at least 1 month before and no later than 1 month after the last day of the approval period.
2. Upon receiving the application under the preceding paragraph, the Chairman shall give approval as he or she deems appropriate.
3. Approval under the preceding paragraph shall be valid only during the relevant single fiscal year.

Article 12 (Submission of Reports)

1. Upon completion of Joint Research, or upon expiration of the approval period for Joint Research, the PI must compile the results or progress of the Joint Research in a joint research report and submit it to the Center.
2. The Chairman may ask Joint Research Investigators or the PI for a report regarding the followings during or upon expiration of the approval period for Joint Research or upon completion of Joint Research.
 - (1) How Data Platform is used by Joint Research Investigators and by the PI.
 - (2) Outcome and publication regarding the Joint Research project.
3. Upon publishing the outcomes of a Joint Research project in an article, Joint Research Investigators must specify in the acknowledgement section in the article the source of the Data Platform as well as the fact that the Joint Research was conducted at the Center. In addition, a PDF version or a separate print of the article must be submitted to the Center.
4. In principle, Joint Research outcomes shall be announced at events and symposiums hosted or co-hosted by the Center as well as published in literature such as discussion papers.

Article 13 (Revoking Joint Research Qualification)

The Chairman may revoke qualification to use the Center or suspend the use of the Center for persons who do not comply with these rules or who use the Center for purposes other than those approved.

Article 14 (Notification)

If any one of the following events occurs during the effective Joint Research term, a Joint Research Investigator involved shall immediately notify the Chairman to that effect.

- (1) Termination or cancellation of the Joint Research.
- (2) Change in a position or a title of the Joint Research Investigator.
- (3) Breakdown in Center facilities caused by the Joint Research Investigator.

Note 1

Joint Research Investigators shall participate as individuals and the use of the Data Platform and facilities shall be limited to the Joint Research Investigator as an individual. Accordingly, "a third party" paragraph 2 of Article 8 shall include members of the organization to which the researcher belongs. Further, use of the Data Platform and facilities by the Joint Research Investigator are restricted to those actions required to execute the relevant research project.

Note 2

Only full-time Center Faculties shall be designated as a Center Faculty under Article 5. Use of the Data Platform by the Center Faculty himself or herself (including Visiting Professors and Visiting Associate Professors) shall not require application for use under Joint Research.

Supplementary Provision

These rules shall come into effect as of January 31, 2007 and the provisions of the Rules for Joint Research Involving Use of the Research Spatial Data Platform at Center for Spatial Information Science, The University of Tokyo shall be applied as of January 31, 2007.

Supplementary Provision

These rules shall come into effect as of May 8, 2013.

Supplementary Provision

These rules shall come into effect as of February 24, 2016.

Supplementary Provision

These rules shall come into effect as of March 15, 2019 and shall be applied to Joint Research projects after started March 15, 2019, or applied for continuation after March 15, 2019, or applied for change after March 15, 2019.

Additional Note

Joint Research that does not involve the use of the Data Platform shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of the University of Tokyo. These Rules, in addition to the rules of the University of Tokyo, shall also be applied to Joint Research involving the use of the Data Platform.

Additional Note

The standards for establishment of the National Joint Research Examination Committee shall be in accordance with the Internal Regulations for the Joint Research Examination Committee at the Center for Spatial Information Science.

Additional Note

Examination of Joint Research shall be conducted in accordance with the Internal Regulations for Examination Procedures by the National Joint Research Examination Committee.