Acceptable Use Policy

The acceptable use requirements of the Nominet WHOIS service are:

The maximum query rate is 5 queries per second with a maximum of 1,000 queries per rolling 24 hours.

If you exceed the query limits a block will be imposed. For further details please see the detailed instructions for use page.

These limits are not per IP address, they are per user.

The website WHOIS is intended for manual queries only. Any automated queries to the website WHOIS will be subject to a block.

This policy includes our standard anti-avoidance clause.