

VARIOUS TYPES OF CREATIVE COMMONS LICENSES WITH SYMBOLS

By

Monojit Gope

Research Scholar

INTRODUCTION

□ Creative Commons licenses provide a standardized way for copyright owners to grant permissions for the use and sharing of their creative works. Each Creative Commons license is represented by a specific symbol, indicating the permissions granted.

ATTRIBUTION (CC BY)

❑ **Symbol:**



❑ **Description:** This license allows others to distribute, remix, adapt, and build upon the work, even commercially, as long as they give credit to the original creator.

❑ **Example:** A photograph released under CC BY, allowing others to use the image in their projects, with proper attribution.

ATTRIBUTION-SHARE ALIKE (CC BY-SA)

❑ Symbol:



❑ **Description:** This license permits others to remix, adapt, and build upon the work, even commercially, as long as they give credit to the original creator and distribute their contributions under the same license.

❑ **Example:** A musical composition released under CC BY-SA, enabling others to remix and share their derivative works under the same license.

ATTRIBUTION-NO DERIVS (CC BY-ND)

❑ **Symbol:**



❑ **Description:** This license allows others to distribute the work commercially and non-commercially, as long as they give credit to the original creator, but they cannot remix, adapt, or modify the work.

❑ **Example:** An e-book released under CC BY-ND, permitting others to share the original work as long as it remains unaltered.

ATTRIBUTION-NON COMMERCIAL (CC BY-NC)

- **Symbol:**



- **Description:** This license allows others to remix, adapt, and build upon the work, but only for non-commercial purposes. They must give credit to the original creator.
- **Example:** An educational video released under CC BY-NC, enabling others to use and remix the video for non-commercial educational purposes.

ATtribution-Non Commercial-Share Alike (CC BY-NC-SA)

- **Symbol:**



- **Description:** This license permits others to remix, adapt, and build upon the work, but only for non-commercial purposes. They must give credit to the original creator and distribute their contributions under the same license.
- **Example:** An infographic released under CC BY-NC-SA, allowing others to modify and share the infographic for non-commercial purposes under the same license.

ATTRIBUTION-NON COMMERCIAL-NO DERIVS (CC BY-NC-ND)

❑ **Symbol:**



❑ **Description:** This license allows others to download and share the work as long as they give credit to the original creator, but they cannot remix, adapt, or modify the work, nor use it commercially.

❑ **Example:** A photograph released under CC BY-NC-ND, permitting others to share the image non-commercially, as long as it remains unaltered.

ATtribution-Non Commercial-SHARE ALike-No Derivs (CC BY-NC-ND-SA)

□ This license combines the restrictions of Attribution-Non Commercial-No Derivs (CC BY-NC-ND) with the requirement to distribute derivative works under the same license as the original. It allows others to download and share the work as long as they give credit to the original creator, refrain from making commercial use of the work, and distribute the work and any adaptations under the same license.

PUBLIC DOMAIN MARK

- ❑ **Description:** The Public Domain Mark signifies that a work is in the public domain and free from copyright restrictions.
- ❑ **Example:** An old historical document marked with the Public Domain Mark, indicating that it can be freely used, shared, and modified.

ZERO (CC0)

❑ While not a Creative Commons license, CC0 is a public dedication tool that allows copyright owners to waive all their rights and place their work into the public domain. It enables others to freely use, modify, and distribute the work without any restrictions or the need for attribution.

USING CREATIVE COMMONS LICENSED WORKS

- ❑ When using Creative Commons licensed works, it is important to understand and abide by the specific license terms.
- ❑ Always attribute the original creator appropriately by providing their name, the title of the work, and a link to the original source.

FINDING CREATIVE COMMONS LICENSED WORKS

- ❑ There are various platforms and resources where you can find Creative Commons licensed works:
- ❑ **Creative Commons search:** A search engine that helps you find Creative Commons licensed content across different platforms.
- ❑ **Wikimedia Commons:** A repository of freely usable media files, including images, sound, and video.
- ❑ **Open educational resources (OER) repositories:** Platforms dedicated to sharing educational materials under Creative Commons licenses.
- ❑ **Websites of individual creators and institutions:** Many creators and organizations openly license their works for sharing and reuse.

ADAPTING CREATIVE COMMONS LICENSED WORKS

- ❑ Depending on the specific Creative Commons license, you may be allowed to adapt or modify the original work.
- ❑ If permitted, make sure to clearly indicate any changes you have made to the work and include appropriate attributions.

COMMERCIAL USE AND CREATIVE COMMONS LICENSES

- ❑ Some Creative Commons licenses allow for commercial use of the licensed works, while others restrict it.
- ❑ If your intended use is for commercial purposes, ensure that the specific license permits it.

EDUCATING OTHERS ABOUT CREATIVE COMMONS

- ❑ It is important to spread awareness and educate others about Creative Commons licenses and their benefits.
- ❑ Encourage proper attribution and responsible use of Creative Commons licensed works within your academic and educational community.

COPYRIGHT CONSIDERATIONS BEYOND CREATIVE COMMONS

- ❑ While Creative Commons licenses provide a valuable framework for sharing and using creative works, not all works are licensed under Creative Commons.
- ❑ Always respect traditional copyright laws and seek appropriate permissions when necessary.

CONCLUSION

- ❑ Creative Commons licenses provide a range of permissions for sharing and using creative works.
- ❑ The symbols associated with each license indicate the specific permissions granted by the copyright owner.

THANK YOU

