



Why are there licenses on everything?

Mostly so people in Europe “have my permission” to see my stuff on Google. Europe passed some bullcrap called [Article 13](#), which is basically censorship by default for anything posted online without a license. Having to add licenses feels icky and lawyer-y to me. My projects are just graffiti on the internet and it feels like I just stapled a contract on top of them. It’s weird. I mean, I kinda get it. Theoretically, it might be good to be super-duper-ultra-deluxe clear about how you prefer people to use your work. But a license makes me feel like I’m lording control over scribbles I doodled in a school notebook. It’s overkill for most things in life. I mean what if I, you know... don’t care?? Welp, “Public

Domain” is kinda the legal way of saying “who cares!?” and giving up all ownership.

... Okay, I do wanna at least *sign* my stuff so people know where it comes from, so I picked a “Creative Commons” license for everything. (Yes everything, even the website itself. Go ahead and copy it to show off your stuff) There’s a bunch of licenses out there but I picked one that’s about as free-ballin’ as I can go without straight-up erasing my name from all my sketches. [Here’s a good website](#) if you want pick an easy one without hurting your brain. ... or you could use the [Against DRM](#) license. I kind of like that one.

Want details? Didn’t think so, but here you go anyway. This is the license I ususally use for most stuff on here: [Creative Commons Attribution–NonCommercial 4.0 International](#) (WTF?? I’m pretty sure that “sentence” is making a grammar teacher cry somewhere)

... and here’s what it means:

#### ***Creative Commons***

My stuff pretty much belongs to everybody. You can use it, mangle it, share it, I don’t care. ☺

#### ***Attribution***

Don’t erase my name from the original version and call it yours. But by all means, take some credit if you make a Meme out of it.

#### ***NonCommercial***

Don’t sell it... It’s not like I’m selling this stuff so that wouldn’t be fair to anybody.

#### ***Source code?***

... Don’t care, just use it and share it like everything else. I might include it, but I’m usually too lazy.

#### ***Patents?***

Whatever that is, I don’t have one, and I don’t care.

This is basically an [MIT license](#), but I think this spells things out more clearly, which is kinda the whole point.