

POLICY ON WEB SITE LINKS

The purpose of the ALEPH website is to further ALEPH's mission of advancing Jewish Renewal. ALEPH reserves the sole right to determine what organizations or individuals may link to its site. The site features ALEPH programs, affiliates and allies and may link to other sites that are relevant to its mission or of interest to its constituents according to the following provisions:

- (1) Priority linkages: The Webmaven will give priority to linking with sites belonging to ALEPH-affiliated programs and member groups and to relevant non-commercial sites of ALEPH communities, community leaders, officers and program staff.
- (2) Other non-commercial Jewish sites: The Webmaven may link at her discretion with any relevant site of potential interest to Jewish renewalists provided that the individual or organization sponsoring the site does not actively advocate policies that are in conflict with the ALEPH Code of Ethics, particularly those provisions which prohibit discrimination based on race, origin, gender and sexual orientation. Organizations that actively pursue or advocate public policy that is racist, sexist or homophobic are categorically barred from linkage.

In cases where the individual or organization requesting linkage is non-egalitarian or practices other forms of discrimination internally, they must not be active in advocating for this position with others or as public policy. Their requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Webmaven in consultation with the Executive Director and/or the Chair of the Board.

- (3) Non-commercial interfaith sites: The Webmaven may link at her discretion with relevant sites for interfaith dialog and cooperation, or to sites sponsored by other religious groups provided that these non-Jewish groups are not ideologically or theologically hostile to Judaism and do not have active "missions to the Jews" (*i.e.* they do not target Jews as potential converts). "Messianic Jews" are hereby defined as Christians with an active mission to convert Jews and are therefore barred from linkage.
- (4) Commercial and Professional Sites:

Please refer to the provisions for participation in the appropriate pages for Teachers, Artists, Books and Authors or Musicians and Performing Artists.

Provisions regarding the Code of Ethics are not meant to limit the free exchange of ideas by precluding doing business with vendors such as booksellers who offer a wide range of merchandise, some of which may be objectionable to us, as long as the business itself does not engage in actively discriminatory or other unethical practices.

Publication of this policy. Once ratified by the Board of ALEPH, this policy shall be posted on the ALEPH website and made available, along with a copy of the ALEPH Code of Ethics to any individual or organization requesting linkage.