

## Copyright Laws and Images that you can use legally

As we create presentations, flyers, and use photos from online, we need to be aware that some of them are not free to use. Some content available online, such as public domain content, is free to use because it is not subject to copyright protection. Other content might be subject to copyright but the copyright holder licenses content with certain restrictions, such as under the [Creative Commons](#) license. Bing's image search lets you limit results only to Creative Commons-licensed images (after running an image search, click "license"). Other copyrighted content may be used without permission because a limitation or exception to copyright applies (see above discussion of fair use).

Of course, some online content is not free to use, is not licensed by the copyright holder, and your use will not qualify as fair use, so select the works you use carefully.

### Do I have to disclose where I got content?

It depends, but it is generally a good practice to credit the original creator of the content. Some content creators require that you give them credit when you use their work as a condition of use. You should carefully review any license requirements for any content you plan to use prior to using any content.

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2. [PublicDomainPictures.net](#) is a repository for **free public domain photos**. You can download high quality photos, upload your own pictures, earn money to charity, get exposure and gain popularity and improve your photographic and graphic skills.
3. [FreeFoto.com](#) is made up of 132232 images with 182 sections organized into 3630 categories.
4. The [SXC](#) (stock.xhng) is a website providing **free-to use stock photography and illustrations**. The stock.xhng operates as a hybrid of a picture library site and a social networking site; registered users may set up a personal profile, upload their photographic works to share with other users, write a blog and participate in online forums to discuss and critique each others' work.
5. [Morgue File](#) is an easy to use **free photo site**. **Free images** for your inspiration, reference and use in your creative work, be it commercial or not!
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