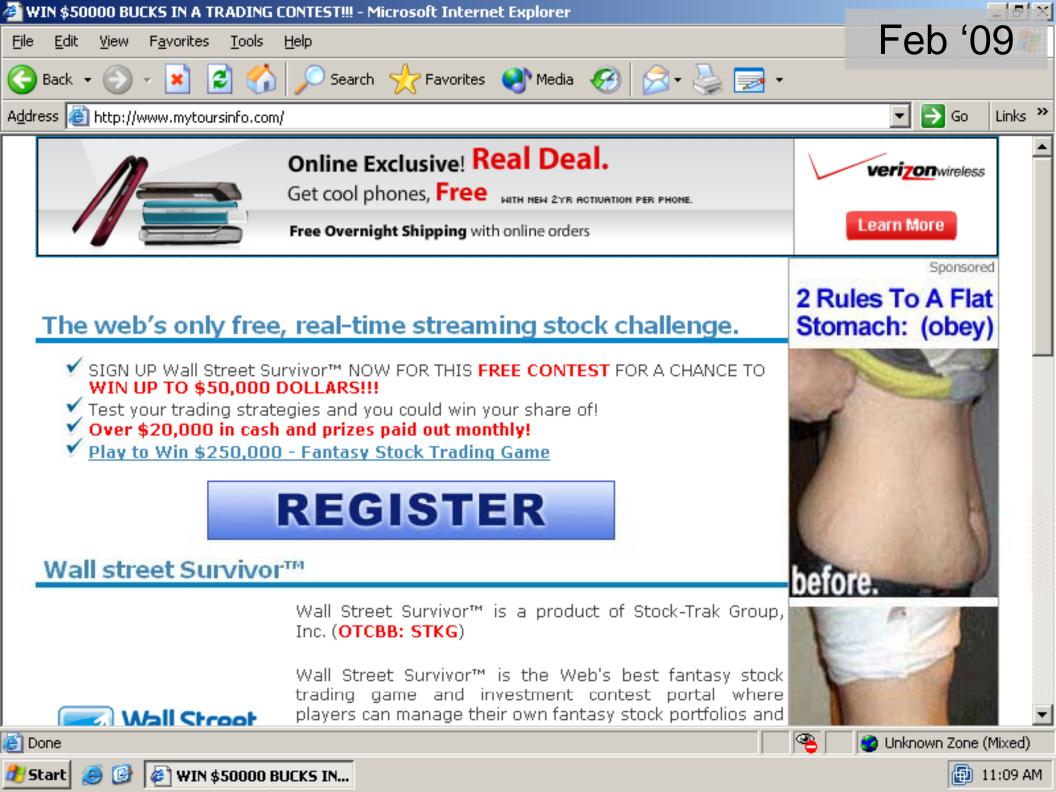
# Advertisers' Rights in the Online Economy

#### Intro

- Me
- My work with advertisers, agencies, networks
- My work with Microsoft

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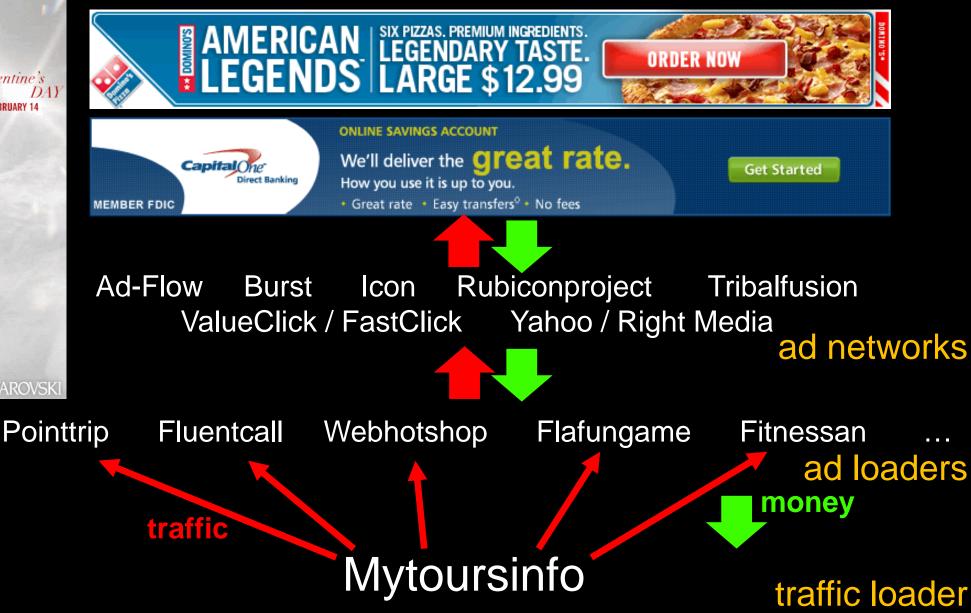


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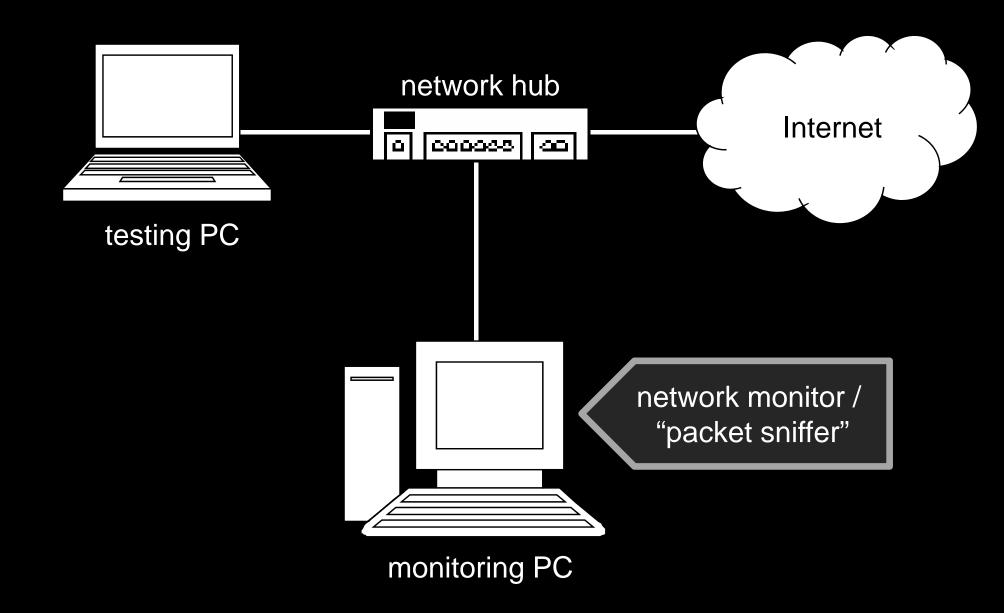
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#### Relationships

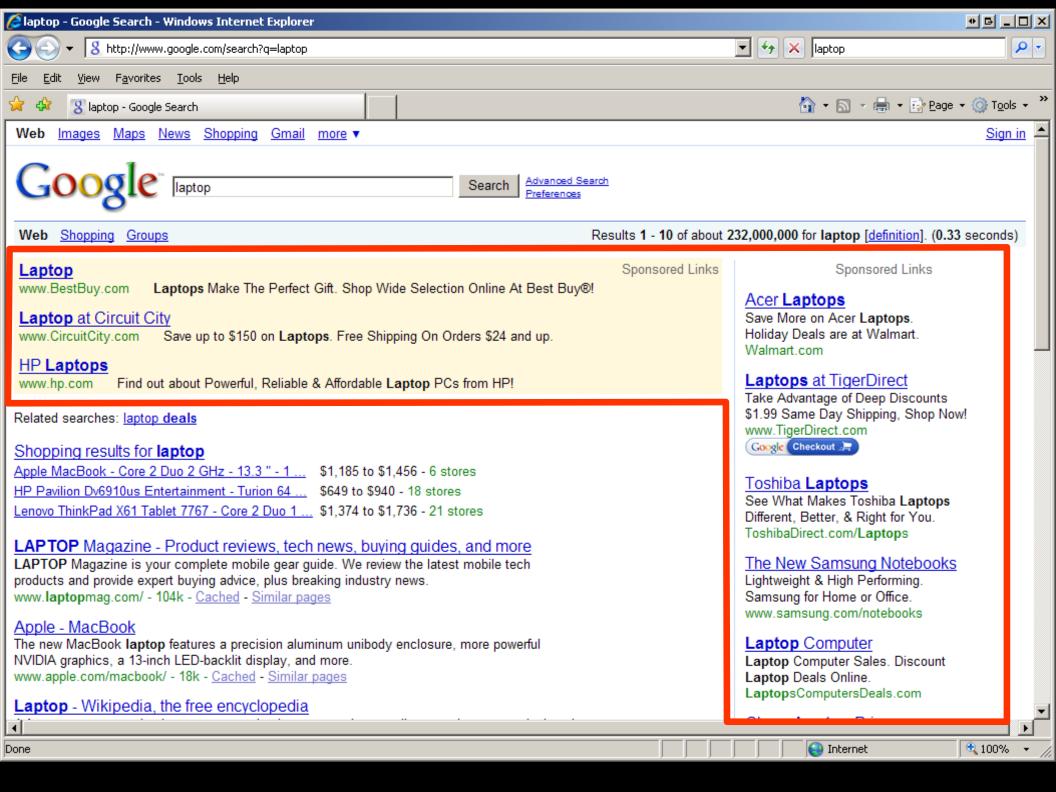
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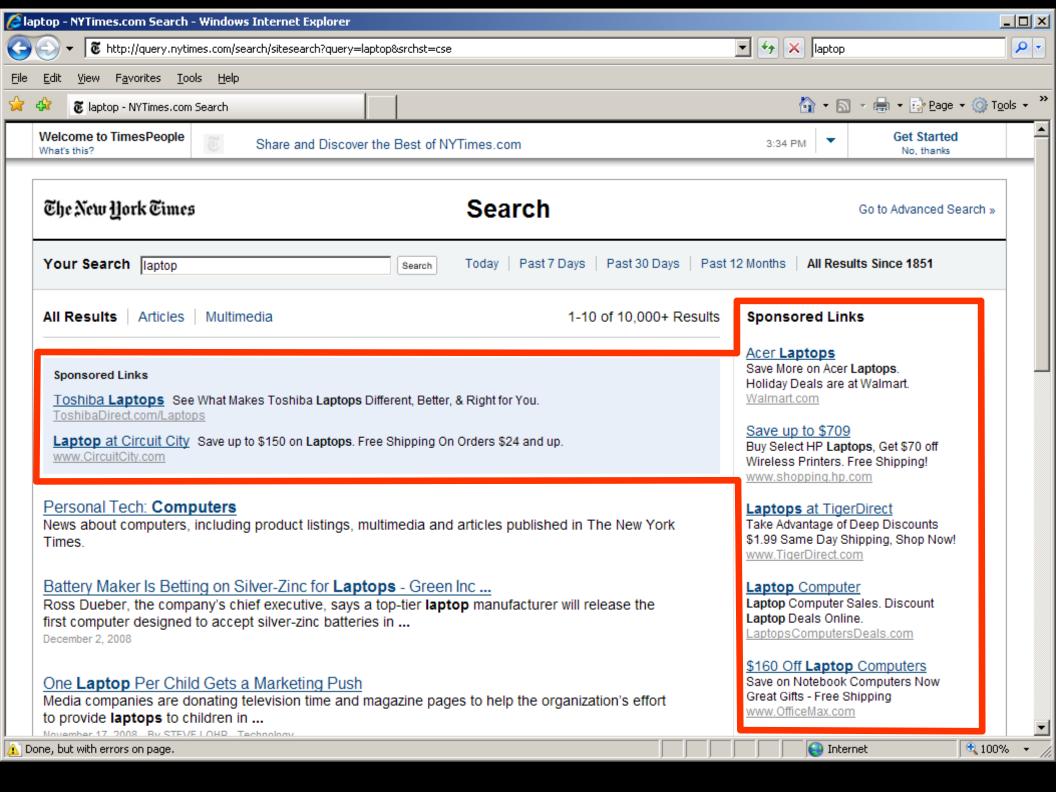


#### Investigator's tools



#### Paying per click





#### Click fraud

### Syndication fraud Inflating CPC conversion rates



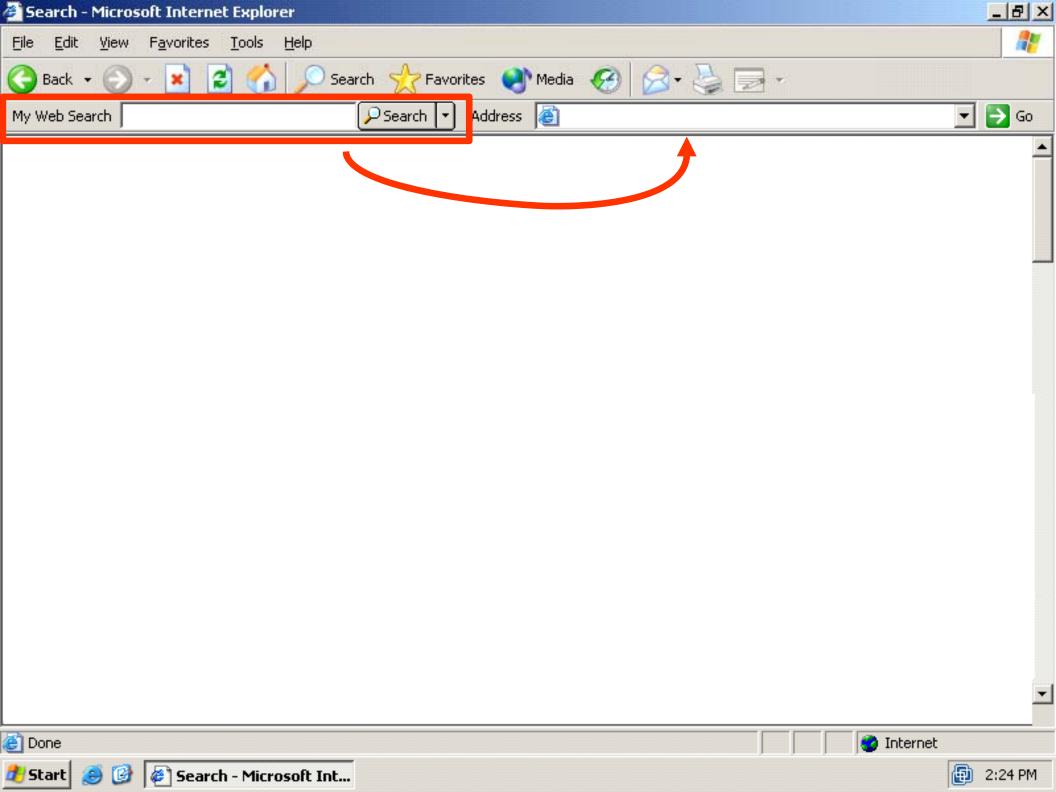
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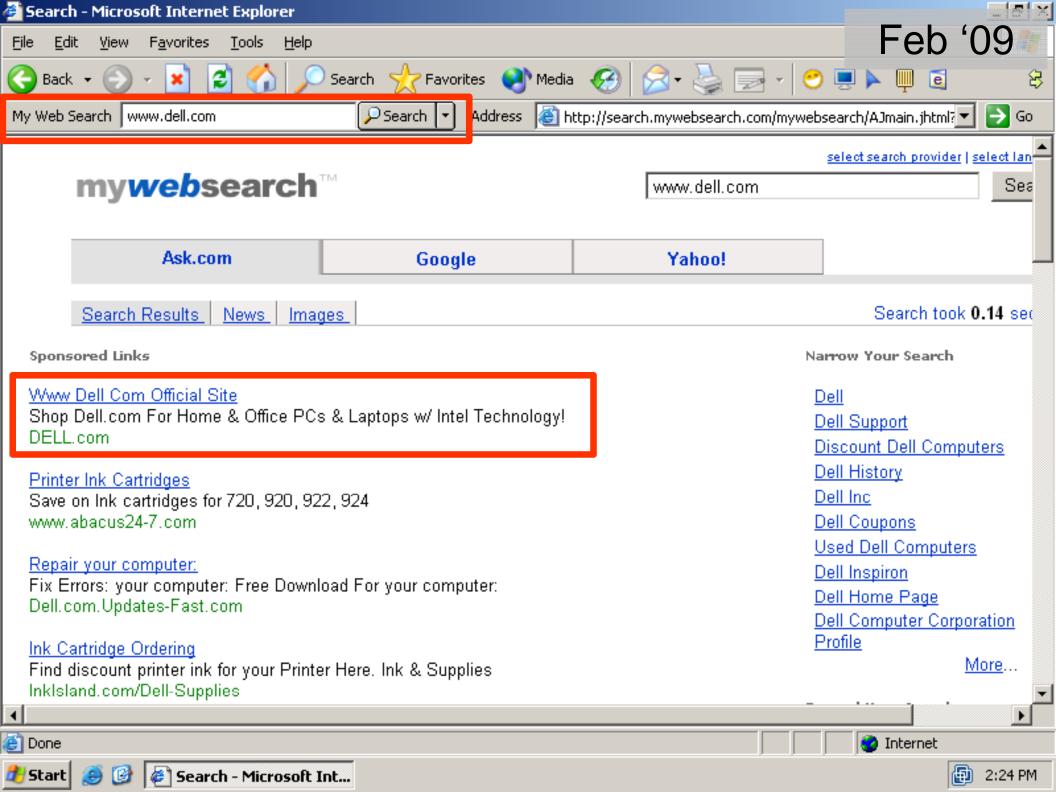
- Works with most IM, Email & Blog applications as well as social sites like My Space and MSN Spaces!
- Bonus: Also includes cursors, screensavers, e-cards, the MyWebSearch® search box and Search Assistant - relevant search results in response to misspelled or incorrectly formatted browser address requests.
- No Spyware. No Adware. We take pride in our products!

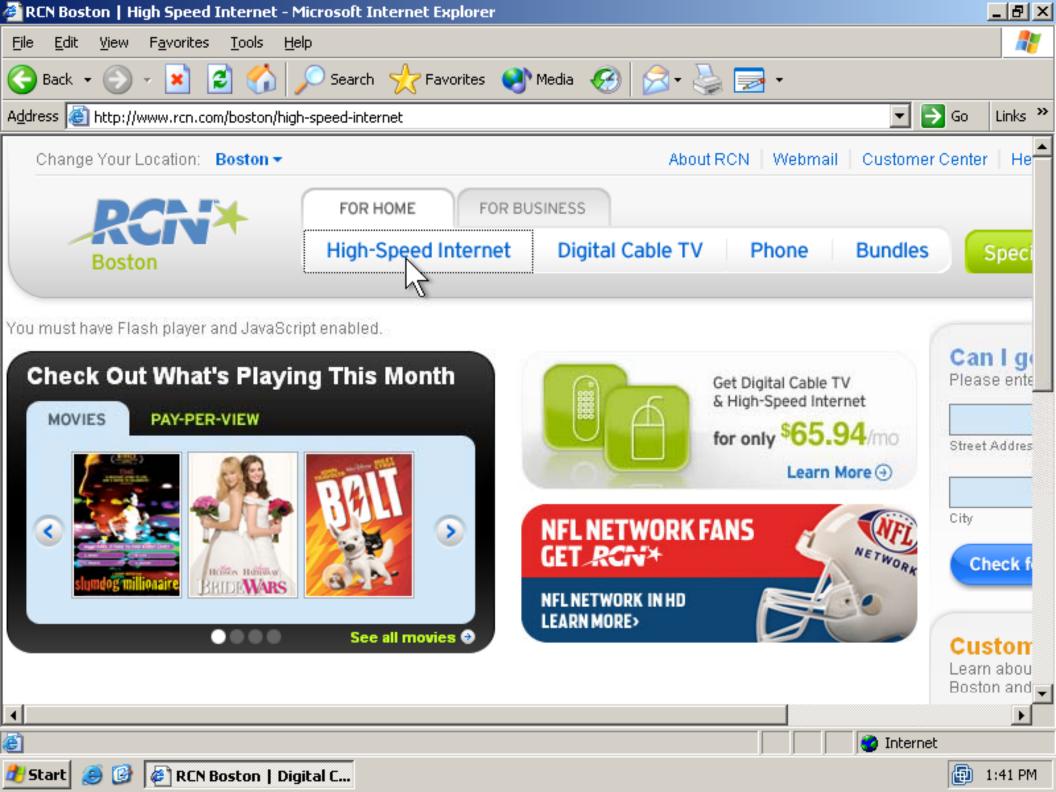
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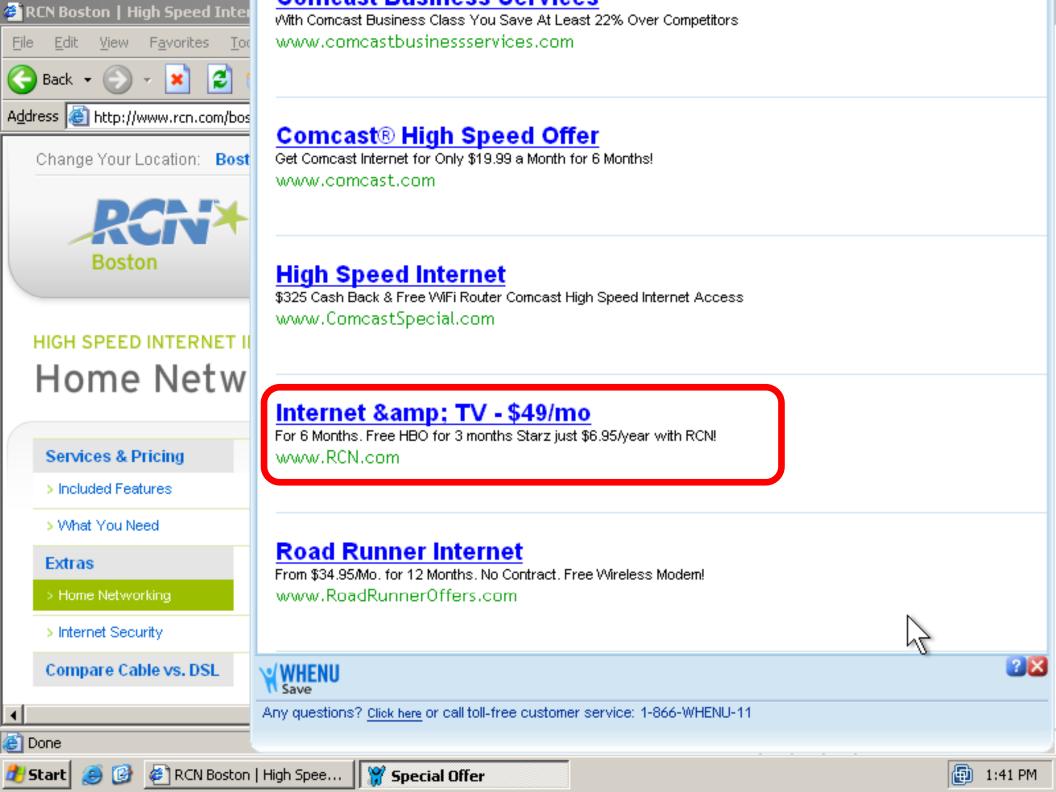
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#### WhenU-Google Relationship

Google Advertisers e.g. RCN money traffic Google traffic money 1 Infospace Idearc Media / Superpages traffic money 1 Localpages traffic money 1 WhenU

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"In reply to your traffic quality complaint –

[network name] (CPC buy):

Situation: 3 instances of spyware traffic

Impact: 306,773 impressions served (106 clicks)

Recourse: Provided a credit for all clicks (\$90)

Actions Taken: Offending partners have been removed from [network name]"

(adapted from an actual reply from a network)

"The AdWords pricing system also ensures that you never overpay: the winning bid is always reduced to one cent more than the next highest competitor's bid."

-Google AdWords Help

#### Other Opacity

- Minimum first-page bid → \$500??
- Claiming ad won't be shown, bid must be raised, when in fact ad is shown just fine.
- Quality score where does it come from?

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#### AdWords API Terms & Conditions

Inputs Fields. The AdWords API Client must not show in the same area of a page, or otherwise visually or functionally associate, any input fields for collecting or transmitting AdWords API Campaign Management Data with the content of Third Parties or input fields for ... transmitting data to Third Parties. [A]n AdWords API Client must not (a) use the same input field ... to collect ... data that will be used [for] both AdWords ... and also ... for ... a Third Party advertising network, or (b) use input fields ... which are visually adjacent to input fields ... for a campaign on a Third Party advertising network.

<u>Functional Separation</u>. Any information collected from an input field used to collect AdWords API Campaign Management Data may be used only to manage and report on AdWords accounts. Similarly, any information or data used [for] AdWords ... must have been collected from an input field used only to collect AdWords ... Data. For example, the AdWords API Client may not offer a functionality that copies data from a non-AdWords account into an AdWords account or from an AdWords account to a non-AdWords account.

Campaign Management Data Storage. All AdWords API Campaign Management Data must be stored separate from Third Party advertising network data. Additionally, AdWords API Campaign Management Data may not be stored in a manner that is associated (through relational data structures, links or otherwise) with Third Party advertising network data.

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Customer understands that third parties may generate impressions or clicks on Customer's ads for prohibited or improper purposes, and Customer accepts the risk of any such impressions and clicks. Customer's exclusive remedy, and Google's exclusive liability, for suspected invalid impressions or clicks is for Customer to make a claim for a refund in the form of advertising credits for Google Properties within the time period required under Section 7 below. To the fullest extent permitted by law, refunds (if any) are at the discretion of Google and only in the form of advertising credit for only Google Properties. Nothing in these Terms or an IO may obligate Google to extend credit to any party.

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