

# Verified Presence Protocol™ (VPP™)

## VPP™ Core Act

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### 1. Purpose of the Core Act

The VPP™ Core Act establishes the **foundational normative requirement** of the Verified Presence Protocol™.

It defines the minimum institutional condition under which a delegated, automated, or AI-mediated action may be considered **legitimately authorized**.

The Core Act exists to anchor the protocol in a **single, enforceable principle**, independent of implementation, technology, or execution environment.

### 2. Core Normative Assertion

**No delegated, automated, or AI-mediated action with material, irreversible, or institutional impact shall occur without explicit, time-bound human authorization established prior to execution.**

This authorization must be:

- intentional
- affirmative
- context-specific
- time-bound
- verifiable
- auditable

Authorization inferred after execution, reconstructed from logs, or assumed through access rights **does not satisfy** this requirement.

### 3. Scope of Applicability

The Core Act applies to any environment in which:

- actions are executed on behalf of humans
- authority is delegated to systems, agents, or intermediaries
- execution produces material, legal, financial, or institutional effects

The Core Act is **technology-neutral** and applies regardless of:

- platform
- system architecture
- organizational structure
- jurisdiction

## 4. Separation of Authorization and Execution

The Core Act establishes a strict conceptual separation between:

- **Authorization** — the explicit human act of approval
- **Execution** — the technical or procedural realization of that approval

Execution may be automated or delegated.

Authorization must always remain **explicitly human**.

## 5. Temporal Integrity

Authorization under the Core Act is valid **only within a defined temporal window**.

Authorization that is:

- perpetual
- implicit
- retroactive

is considered **non-compliant with the Core Act**.

## 6. Auditability Requirement

All authorization events governed by the Core Act must generate **non-content-based records** sufficient to allow an independent party to determine:

- that authorization occurred
- that it preceded execution
- that it was granted by an authorized human role
- that it remained within defined scope and time boundaries

The Core Act does not mandate record format, storage mechanism, or tooling.

## 7. Relationship to the Protocol Definition

The Core Act serves as the **normative foundation** of the Verified Presence Protocol™.

All protocol definitions, governance structures, conformity assessments, and certification frameworks derive their legitimacy from adherence to this Act.

## 8. Limitations

The Core Act:

- does not prescribe implementations
- does not define enforcement mechanisms
- does not establish certification criteria
- does not replace regulatory or legal obligations

Its role is to define **institutional legitimacy at the moment of authorization**.

## 9. Status

This document constitutes **VPP™ Core Act v1.0**.

Future revisions, if any, shall preserve the original normative intent and may only clarify scope or interpretation under formal governance procedures.

## Verified Presence Protocol™

*A governed trust protocol for accountable execution.*