

The Microsoft Commandments

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- *Thou shalt not* host a FOSS project outside GitHub (otherwise it won't count?)
- *Thou shalt not* edit code without Visual Studio (which now has an "open" albeit spying and malicious component for openwashing purposes)
- *Thou shalt not* code without .NET (or [Mono](#) [2])
- *Thou shalt not* use a voting machine without Windows (we have just announced some openwashing component to make up for the NSA back doors that compromise elections worldwide)
- *Thou shalt not* boot GNU/Linux as a standalone operating system ([UEFI](#) [3] might not permit this anyway, unless we sign for approval)

- *Thou shalt **not*** get a GNU/Linux distribution [outside our Store](#) [4]
- *Thou shalt **not*** buy a computer without Windows preinstalled; those are ?naked PCs? and everyone who buys such PCs is a ?pirate?
- *Thou shalt **not*** disparage or even publicly criticise our staff (that would be in violation of GitHub rules, a Code of Conduct, T&C and so on)
- *Thou shalt **not*** report back doors in our software or leak NSA tools that take advantage of these (there?s a prison sentence for doing so)
- *Thou shalt **not*** write in mass media things that refute our narrative (proving that we are chronic liars); we would bribe the publication using advertising money and have you sacked
- *Thou shalt **not*** use open formats such as OpenDocument except inside Microsoft Office, which is incompatible with all other software (by design)
- *Thou shalt **not*** distribute Linux without paying Microsoft for patents; we?re [still suing companies \(in 2019\) for having the audacity to do so](#) [5]
- *Thou shalt **not*** host a site or a service outside Azure; [we?d sic patent trolls at you](#) [6]
- *Thou shalt **not*** oppose Microsoft?s lock-in and proprietary software shims inside Linux; we?d send our media partners (Condé Nast) to [oust you](#) [7], at least for a month if not permanently
- *Thou shalt **not*** report our crimes to the authorities; doing so would make you a ?toxic?, ?intolerant? person
- *Thou shalt **not*** use the GPL unless all other options have been exhausted
- *Thou shalt **not*** adopt a Web browser other than MSIE or our rebranded Chrome, also known as Edge; we?d occasionally tinker with your computer?s settings to remind you to quit using other browsers or refuse the download of such ?malware?

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