



NavCoin Developer Manifesto

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**“We will always operate in
the best interest of the
Network.”**

NavCoin is a truly decentralized, open-source protocol that anyone can contribute to. This enables greater diversity, better safeguards and a higher level of autonomy for everyone in the NavCoin community. In a project where freedom of the individual is paramount, it's important for any contributing collective to align their objectives so everyone works to shared goals.

The purpose of this Manifesto is to clearly set out the reasons we as the NavCoin Core Collective, do what we do, how we do it and why. Everyone who wants to contribute to the NavCoin Core project must agree to uphold the values outlined here, or lobby a majority of core contributors to agree to a change to this Manifesto.

Our principles

NavCoin is more than a protocol maintained and developed by a like-minded community, it's a vector for a profound change in the way the worldwide economic system operates - delivering freedom, privacy, and financial power back to the individual. For that reason, a crucial part of our role as members of the NavCoin community is to be champions of NavCoin's neutrality and reliance on consensus-based decision making.



- 1.1.1** Personal autonomy and freedom is paramount and will never be infringed.
- 1.1.2** Privacy is a fundamental human right and is the foundation of individual autonomy.
- 1.1.3** All protocol changes will maintain or improve the network's capability to facilitate autonomy, privacy, neutrality, inclusivity, and decentralization.
- 1.1.4** We will always respect the majority network consensus.



- 1.1.5** We won't participate in hostile actions against competitors or alternative systems.
- 1.1.6** Our source code will be open, freely available and auditable.
- 1.1.7** We are an independent group of autonomous individuals whose common denominator is the adherence to the positions of this Manifesto.
- 1.1.8** Anyone can freely join or depart from NavCoin Core by agreeing (or not) with the statements made in this Manifesto.



Our purpose

We are dedicated to maintaining the NavCoin Network and commit to doing so in this order of priority.

- 1.2.1** Network security - protecting the network and blockchain against hacking, misuse, and unauthorized changes.
- 1.2.2** Network stability - ensuring consistent and widely available access to and operation of the network and blockchain.
- 1.2.3** Protocol improvement - enhancing the protocol and network capability of being neutral, inclusive and decentralized.
- 1.2.4** Reference wallet maintenance - ensuring access to a complete reference implementation of the latest NavCoin protocol.



Scope of involvement

- 1.3.1** Our only obligation is to work on the NavCoin Core software
- 1.3.2** Our only objective is to provide the NavCoin network with a constant flow of technical innovation while satisfying the requirements of this Manifesto



Operational requirements

We are committed to ensuring that the Network runs dependably and that all developments to the protocol peer are reviewed and properly documented.

- 1.4.1** We will prioritize network maintenance above all other work
- 1.4.2** We will prioritize and release security patches without delay
- 1.4.3** We will test and peer review all software releases before deployment



- 1.4.4** We will maintain a release schedule which gives economic nodes and other interested parties fair opportunity to audit any changes before they are released
- 1.4.5** We will handle critical live bugs with discretion until a patch is available
- 1.4.6** We will ensure that all code is clearly readable, concise and documented
- 1.4.7** We will write comprehensive release notes
- 1.4.8** We will take all reasonable measures to avoid hard forks



The NavCoin community is thriving, and it's up to all of us to contribute to it positively and sustainably. The good news is, how you contribute is within your control. NavCoin community members enjoy complete autonomy and agency. We are all free to do what we think is in the best interest of NavCoin.

If you agree with the positions of this manifesto, the NavCoin Core collective welcomes your contributions to the NavCoin Core project.

NavCoin is what you make it, so why not get started now?

Thank you!
