

DURCHD8 HOUSE RULES OF RIGOR AND RESPONSIBILITY

These principles govern all academic publications and formal analytical outputs issued under the DURCHD8 research architecture.

I. ACADEMIC RESEARCH PRINCIPLES

1. **Conditionality:** All structural claims apply only under explicitly defined scope conditions.
2. **Minimal Ontology:** Only strictly necessary anthropological and structural premises are introduced.
3. **Explicit Derivation:** All inferential steps are stated and justified; no implicit transitions.
4. **Modal Discipline:** Necessary, sufficient, dominant, and correlational relations are not conflated.
5. **Collapse Specification:** Structural failure conditions are explicitly identified.
6. **Falsifiability:** Each core proposition includes defined revision criteria.
7. **Canonical Symmetry:** Divergence from canonical theory triggers bilateral condition review.
8. **Convergence, Not Authority:** Canonical alignment functions as structural convergence, not proof by authority.
9. **Weakness Disclosure:** Identified conceptual or definitional weaknesses are explicitly acknowledged.
10. **Methodological Position:** We do not defend positions; we reconstruct conditions.

II. ARCHITECTURAL TRANSPARENCY

DURCHD8 operates a layered research architecture comprising:

- Narrative Power Model (NPM) as foundational ontology.
- NWDC as structured operational derivation framework.
- Narrative Reference Catalogue (NRC), a systematic narrative taxonomy (400+ pages).
- Aegis ICAM as applied integration and monitoring architecture.



Academic publications represent formally reviewable, self-contained modules of this architecture. No academic claim relies on undisclosed operational procedures or restricted material.

III. AI USAGE AND RESEARCH INTEGRITY

11. AI Assistance: AI tools may assist drafting, structuring, and editorial refinement.

12. Human Conceptual Responsibility: All theoretical structures and core hypotheses originate from human authors.

13. Independent Validation: All derivations are independently validated without reliance on AI output.

14. Non-Substitution Principle: AI does not substitute for original theoretical reasoning.

15. Transparency: AI assistance is disclosed where required by academic publication standards.

16. AI Collaboration Protocol: DURCHD8 maintains a documented protocol for AI-assisted work (prompting conventions, revision tracking, and validation checkpoints) to ensure traceability and methodological discipline.

IV. Operational Conduct

17. Analysis ≠ Advocacy: Structural diagnosis is separated from political endorsement.

18. Normative Transparency: Normative positions, where present, are explicitly marked.

19. Condition-Bound Application: Operational use remains within defined theoretical conditions.

20. Institutional Responsibility: Potential systemic effects are considered prior to intervention.

FEEDBACK COMMITMENT

If any publication appears to violate these principles, we request notification. Substantiated critique triggers structured review and, where appropriate, revision.