



ETHICAL PURPOSE & GOVERNANCE 🏛

Purpose

- What is the business purpose of your advertising initiative?
- Why are data and AI necessary to achieve that purpose or drive business value?

🔽 Ethical Alignment

• AI purpose clearly aligns with defined business value.

\triangle Ethical Risks

 No clear purpose or business alignment for AI deployment.

Governance

- Do you have formal governance measures clearly in place for AI technologies, including specific teams, functions, or titles ensuring accountability?
- Do managers understand the importance of governing people vs. only governing technology?
- The marketer has formal governance measures clearly in place.
- Marketer unable to articulate governance clearly.

Disclosure

- Is AI-generated content clearly disclosed to consumers?
- Are there transparency measures in place for AI usage in advertising?

Rights and Permissions

- Do you clearly ensure rights and permissions are properly managed for AIgenerated or assisted content?
- All AI-generated or assisted content has clearly documented rights and permissions, respecting intellectual property and content licensing agreements.

Al-generated content

clearly.

labeled and disclosed

- Al-generated content used without disclosure.
- No clear documentation or management of rights and permissions, risking intellectual property or licensing infringement.

Value Based Engineering

• Are ethical values integrated explicitly into AI system design?

Algorithmic Transparency & Explainability

- Can consumers clearly understand how AI systems make decisions?
- Ethical values integrated explicitly into AI systems.
- AI designed without ethical values considered.
- Al processes are transparent and explainable.
- Al processes are opaque, unexplained.



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Trade-Offs

 Trade-Offs Have you ever paused or rerouted AI decisions due to ethical considerations? How are your teams trained or equipped to think about data and AI ethics? What actions has leadership taken to create an environment that prioritizes data and AI ethics? 	 Ethical Alignment Instances of ethical trade-offs managed and documented. 	 Ethical Risks No clear management of ethical trade-offs.
 Learning & Incentives Plan How are your teams trained or equipped to think about data and AI ethics? What actions has leadership taken to create an environment that prioritizes data and AI ethics? 	 Clear ethical training and incentives provided. 	• Vague or inadequate training/incentives.
Culture Of Science		
• How do your data and AI teams stay apprised of or contribute to relevant peer-reviewed publications?	 Strong culture with peer-reviewed practices. 	 Reliance only on internal, non-reviewed practices.
 Audits What kind of review processes or audits do you have in place for your technology? How often do the reviews or audits take place and who conducts them? 	• Regular external ethical audits conducted.	• Audits dismissed or minimally implemented.
Bias Testing & Impact Assessment		
 Are AI models tested rigorously for bias before deployment? 	• AI bias actively tested and addressed.	• Bias testing overlooked.
AI Marketing Agents		
 Do AI marketing agents operate with human oversight? Are ethical safeguards in place for AI- driven decision-making? 	• AI marketing agents clearly supervised and controlled.	• AI agents operate with minimal oversight.





DATA & PRIVACY MANAGEMENT 🔒

Ethical Alignment

Data governance

processes well

established.

Process Governance

- Do you have clear processes governing data usage?
- Do you have any processes in place to detect, mitigate, and monitor data and AI issues?
- Share an example of a critical issue that was escalated. Who was involved? How was it resolved?

Real-time Consent & Dynamic Data Control

• Are real-time consent and dynamic data controls clearly available to consumers?

Documentation

- What kind of documentation do you maintain for your AI/ML projects? Does it track limitations and potential risks?
- What kind of documentation do you have for your data assets?

Risk Management and Adaptation

- Do you have explicit and documented risk management processes, including regular reviews and contingency planning?
- Documentation thorough and transparent.

Real-time data

enabled.

consent and control

 No clear data governance.

- Data collection without clear consent/control.
- Documentation
 insufficient or unclear.
- Clear risk management and adaptation frameworks documented and regularly reviewed, including explicit contingency plans.
- No formal risk management framework or contingency plans documented for AI ethical risks.





CONSUMER & ETHICAL RESPONSIBILITY 🛡

Unintended Consequences	🗸 Ethical Alignment	🛆 Ethical Risks
 What would failure of your data and AI advertising look like? Which stakeholders would be impacted and what are some potential unintended consequences they might face? 	 Potential unintended consequences actively managed. 	 Unintended consequences overlooked.
Synthetic Media		
 Are deepfake and synthetic media used ethically and transparently? Are there consent and identity protection measures? 	• Ethical guidelines followed strictly.	 Synthetic media used without ethical controls.
Protecting Vulnerable Populations		
• Are safeguards in place for children, elderly users, and otherwise vulnerable communities in AI-driven ads?	• Special protections in place.	 No protections for vulnerable groups.
Energy Consumption &		

Sustainability

- Is AI deployment optimized to reduce environmental impact?
- AI deployed sustainably and energy-efficiently.
- Al consumes excessive energy; unsustainable.

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