



[LIST DIRECTORY](#)

[Login](#) [Register](#) [HISTORYPRINTLINK](#)



Search...

[About](#) > LicenseFAQ



HIBERNATE Annotations
HIBERNATE Beans

LicenseFAQ

[News](#)

Hibernate is Free Software.

[About](#)

The **LGPL** license is sufficiently flexible to allow the use of **Hibernate** in both open source and commercial projects. The **LGPL** guarantees that **Hibernate** and any modifications made to **Hibernate** will stay open source, protecting our and your work.

[Feature List](#)

[Road Map](#)

[Documentation](#)

[Download](#)

[Forum & Mailinglists](#)

[Support & Training](#)

[JIRA Issue Tracking](#)

[Wiki Community Area](#)

[Team Weblog](#)

Using **Hibernate** (by importing **Hibernate**'s public interfaces in your Java code), and extending **Hibernate** (by subclassing or implementation of an extension interface) is considered by the authors of **Hibernate** to be dynamic linking. Hence our interpretation of the **LGPL** is that the use of the unmodified **Hibernate** source does not affect the license of your application code.

The use of the unmodified **Hibernate** binary of course never affects the license of your application or distribution.



If you modify **Hibernate** and redistribute your modifications, the **LGPL** applies. Please submit any modifications to our JIRA issue tracking system.

