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Misinformation in AI: What Every Kiwi Needs to Watch For

AI sounds confident – but confidence isn't the same as truth. Here's how to spot misinformation, slow it down, and use AI The Right Way™.

🧠 What Is It?

Misinformation happens when AI gives information that is wrong, outdated, incomplete, or made-up – often without warning. AI doesn't know things. It predicts words based on patterns, not facts.

👁️ What to Watch For?

- Facts with no sources or vague references
- Outdated info presented as current
- Statistics that sound impressive but can't be verified
- Confident answers to complex legal, medical, or policy questions
- Made-up names, quotes, links, or laws ("hallucinations")
- Overseas info treated as if it applies to Aotearoa

✏️ How to Prompt Responsibly

AI answers improve when you ask for evidence and context.

❌ "Summarise this topic."

✅ "Summarise this topic and flag anything that should be fact-checked or sourced."

🌱 Everyday Actions

- Double-check important facts before sharing
- Ask AI for sources – then verify them yourself
- Be extra careful with health, legal, financial, or cultural info
- Add NZ context and dates to your prompts
- Treat AI as a starting point, not a final authority

💬 The Takeaway

AI misinformation isn't lying – it's guessing without understanding.

- Used wisely, AI can support good decisions.
- Used blindly, it can spread errors fast.
- Slow down, verify, and help AI work The Right Way™ – with care, context, and critical thinking.

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