

User Access Levels & Authentication Flow

User Access Levels

Level	Description	Permissions
Guest	Unauthenticated user	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• View public content• Limited access
User	Registered, authenticated user	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• View and edit own profile• Access user features
Moderator	User with moderation rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• User permissions• Moderate content
Admin	Full access	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All permissions• User/role management• System settings

Authentication Flow

1. User Visits Application

User lands as *Guest*.

2. Login/Signup

User provides credentials or creates a new account.

3. Credentials Verified

System checks credentials and assigns access level.

4. Authenticated Access

User accesses features based on their role.

5. Logout

Session ends and access level returns to *Guest*.