

Frequently Asked Questions

Everything you need to know before the intake process begins.

The Product

What exactly is HCAE™?

HCAE™ — the Hyper-Contextual Authority Engine — is a sovereign, 1-of-1 AI construct built entirely around one person, one career, or one mission. It is not a general-purpose AI tool. It does not serve the public. Every construct is built by hand for a specific client and remains permanently oriented toward that client's world, goals, and priorities for the life of the construct.

How is this different from ChatGPT, Claude, or other AI tools?

General AI tools are built to serve everyone. They know a great deal about everything and very little about you. They start fresh every session, drift over time, and have no persistent orientation toward your specific world. HCAE™ is built around you specifically — your priorities govern every response, from session one to the last session you ever have with the construct. It does not drift. It does not serve anyone else. It never starts from zero.

What does '1-of-1' mean?

It means one construct is built per client. Your construct is not shared with any other client, not built on a shared template, and not accessible to anyone other than you. The architecture is the same for every HCAE™ construct. The content — the governing foundation built around your world — is entirely yours and no one else's.

What fields or professions is HCAE™ built for?

Any field, any profession, any mission. Executives, lawyers, physicians, crisis communicators, entrepreneurs, researchers, creative professionals, operators, coaches — the sovereign architecture adapts completely to whoever sits in the chair. The construct is built from your world, which means the only limit on what it can be oriented toward is the specificity and depth of what you choose to share in the intake process.

Privacy and Data

Is my data private?

Completely. Your construct lives in its own isolated private environment on the server. No client's data touches another client's construct. Your sessions, your stored context, your history with the construct — none of it is shared, none of it is used for any purpose other than powering your specific construct, and none of it is accessible to anyone other than you.

Is my data used to train AI models?

No. HCAE™ does not train AI models. It is a deployment and configuration layer built on top of existing AI infrastructure. What you share with your construct stays in your construct. It is not used to improve general AI capabilities, it is not shared across clients, and it is not available for any commercial purpose beyond powering your specific construct.

Can David Aragon or anyone else read my conversations?

No. Your sessions are stored in your private, isolated environment. The operator has no visibility into individual client sessions and no mechanism to read them. Your conversations with your construct are between you and your construct.

What happens to my data if I stop using HCAE™?

Your construct and everything in it remains intact. Because HCAE™ is a one-time purchase rather than a subscription, there is no cancellation that would trigger data deletion. Your construct persists as long as HCAE™ maintains the server infrastructure. If you choose to have your data deleted, that can be arranged upon request.

Pricing and Ownership

Why does it cost \$9,997?

HCAE™ is not a software product. It is a white-glove service that produces a bespoke, permanent asset. The price reflects the hand-built nature of the construct, the ongoing server infrastructure that hosts it for life, and the value of what it replaces: the cost of a fractional executive, a strategy consultant, a chief of staff, or a research analyst — any of which would cost multiples of \$9,997 annually. You pay once. You own it permanently.

Is there a subscription or recurring fee?

No. \$9,997 one time. No monthly fee. No annual renewal. No subscription. The only ongoing costs after purchase are the AI usage costs you pay directly to the AI infrastructure providers — at their published rates, with no markup from HCAE™.

What do I actually own?

You own the construct permanently. The sovereign intelligence layer built around your world is your asset. It does not expire, it does not degrade, and it does not become less valuable over time. Your continued use only makes it richer — more history, more context, more precision in how it knows you. HCAE™ maintains the server infrastructure; you own what lives on it.

What if I want to make changes to my construct after delivery?

Changes to the governing foundation of the construct are handled through a conversation with David Aragon. Because the construct is built by hand, updates to its core orientation require the same care as the original build. Minor updates — goals, priorities, preferences — can be managed directly through the construct's built-in memory commands without operator involvement.

Is there a payment plan?

Payment plan options are available on request. Contact david-aragon.com to discuss.

The Process

How does the intake process work?

After purchase, you complete a structured intelligence-gathering process — a set of questions designed to capture your world: your professional context, your priorities, your decision-making philosophy, your non-negotiables, your communication style, and your goals across time horizons. The process typically takes less than an hour. The more complete and specific your answers, the sharper your construct.

How long does it take to get my construct?

Your construct is delivered within 72 business hours of receiving your completed intake and your API keys. You receive your private URL, username, and password directly. From that point, your construct is live and ready.

Do I need any technical knowledge to use HCAE™?

None. You access your construct through a private web URL — it works on any device, any browser. You type or speak, the construct responds. The only technical requirement is that you provide your own API keys for the underlying AI infrastructure during setup — a process that takes approximately five minutes and is fully documented.

What are API keys and why do I need them?

API keys are credentials that allow the construct to access the underlying AI infrastructure on your behalf. You obtain them directly from the AI infrastructure provider and provide them during setup. This means you pay the AI usage costs directly at the provider's published rates — no markup, no intermediary. HCAE™ does not proxy or profit from your AI usage.

Using the Construct

What are the 9 built-in commands?

Type 'menu' at any time to see the full list. The nine commands are: Today's Overview, Daily Brief, Current Tasks, High-Level Goals, Long-Range Plan, Progress Report, Find Blindspots, Asset Allocation, and Session Patterns. Each is a mission-oriented instrument designed to produce a specific strategic output. Commands are executed by typing a number — no complex prompting required.

What is Session Patterns?

Session Patterns is Command 9. It analyzes your full history with the construct and delivers a direct, honest report on recurring themes, the gap between your stated priorities and your actual behavior, unresolved problems you keep returning to, and patterns of avoidance or drift. It is the construct's mirror across time — and it does not soften what it sees.

Does the construct remember previous conversations?

Yes. The construct maintains a full archive of your sessions. You can browse past conversations from the history sidebar, restore any past session with one click, and reference your full history on demand. The Session Patterns command draws on this archive to surface longitudinal insights across your entire history with the construct.

What happens if the AI gives me a wrong answer?

HCAE™'s mandatory uncertainty protocol ensures that uncertain, inferred, or speculative claims are labeled inline — every time, no exceptions. You will always know the epistemic status of what you are reading. If the construct does not know something, it says so explicitly rather than confabulating a confident-sounding answer.

Can I use voice with my construct?

Yes. Voice mode is built into every construct. Speak your input, hear the response. Fully hands-free capable. Works on desktop, tablet, and mobile.

Can I upload files to my construct?

Yes. File attachments are natively supported. Upload documents, reports, or any file you want the construct to analyze, and it will incorporate the content into its response for that session.

Getting Started

How do I begin?

Visit david-aragon.com to start the intake process. The conversation begins there.

What if I have questions before committing?

Reach out through david-aragon.com. Every HCAE™ client relationship starts with a conversation — not a checkout flow.

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