

ZAUPEN: confidential vs. classified

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Confidential is (meant to be) kept secret within a certain circle of persons; not intended to be known publicly while **classified** is formally assigned by a government to one of several levels of sensitivity, usually (in English) *top secret*, *secret*, *confidential*, and, in some countries, *restricted*; thereby making disclosure to unauthorized persons illegal.