

Title	Description	Anthropic	OpenAI	Google	Meta	xAI	DeepSeek	Z.ai	Alibaba
Overall average		4.7	4.8	4.9	2.2	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Reporting Channels, Access, and Coverage		7	8	7	7	3	0	0	2
Protected Persons Coverage	Policy should at least cover current and former employees, contractors, shareholders, suppliers, former/prospective employees, and facilitators of reports	10	3	10	2	2	0	0	2
Policy Accessibility	Policy easily accessible to all covered persons	0	10	2	8	0	0	0	2
External Reporting Information & Rights	Policy must provide clear information about external reporting channels and right to approach these independently of internal processes, and explain or at least link to whistleblower protection rights	10	10	10	5	3	0	0	0
Multiple Reporting Channels	Offer multiple channels for reporting misconduct internally, incl. written, oral, in-person	9	9	9	9	9	0	0	2
Anonymous Two-Way Reporting	System enables fully anonymous reporting with secure two-way communication between reporter and investigators	10	10	10	10	5	0	0	0
Ombudsperson Channel	Reporting channel operated by an outsourced whistleblowing service provider.	0	10	0	10	0	0	0	0
Executive Oversight Channel	Separate reporting channel available for reports concerning senior executives (e.g. direct reporting line to board audit committee) or board members	7	5	10	5	0	0	0	0
Broad but clear material scope	Material scope covers at minimum potential violations of law, code of conduct. Ideally also further, broad categories, while retaining a high degree of clarity of what is in and out of scope.	8	8	8	5	7	0	0	7
Whistleblower Protections & Anti-Retaliation Measures		7	7	6	2	1	0	0	0
Confidentiality Protection	Strict protection required for reporter identity and any third parties mentioned in reports	10	10	2	8	0	0	0	0
Public Disclosure Protection	Protection for responsible media disclosure if internal and regulatory channels have failed or if there is an imminent or manifest danger to the public interest	10	10	10	0	0	0	0	0
List of Prohibited Practices and Anti-Retaliation Provisions	Policy must list comprehensive prohibited retaliatory actions with specific examples (demotion, harassment, termination, etc.), and explicit anti-retaliation provisions	10	10	10	0	0	0	0	2
Post-Investigation Monitoring	Active monitoring for retaliation continues for minimum 12 months after investigation concludes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NDA/Non-Disparagement Exceptions	Explicit statement that NDAs and non-disparagement agreements cannot prevent safety-related whistleblowing	10	7	7	0	0	0	0	0
Good Faith or Reasonable Cause Provisions	Clear good faith or reasonable cause standard that protects honest mistakes; high burden of proof required for false report sanctions	10	10	10	5	10	0	0	0
Handler/Investigator Protection	Explicit protections for employees who receive, investigate, or support whistleblowing reports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Investigation Process & Standards		1	2	3	1	0	0	0	0
Designated Impartial Receiver	Provably independent person or department must be designated to receive and handle reports - attached ideally to board	4	6	6	6	2	0	0	2
Seven-Day Acknowledgment	Written confirmation of report receipt must be provided within 7 days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Three-Month Feedback Timeline	Investigation status and follow up measures must be communicated to reporter within 3 months	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Adequately Resourced Investigation Teams	Investigators must be independent from implicated departments and possess appropriate technical expertise for AI safety issues as well as sufficient resources to investigate effectively	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0
Investigation Appeal Process	Formal right to appeal investigation outcomes to independent review body or board committee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
System Governance & Quality Assurance		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Comprehensive Effectiveness Metrics	Regular measurement tracking report outcomes, investigation timeliness, appeal rates, % of anonymous reports, retaliation incidents, and reporter satisfaction - not just volume	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Data Retention and Deletion Policy	Clear policy specifying retention periods for reports and investigations (typically 5-7 years), secure deletion procedures, and data minimization principles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Secure Documentation System	Comprehensive audit trail with secure case management system and defined retention policies	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
Comprehensive Training Programs	Regular, role-specific training provided for all employees, specialized training for managers and investigators, ideally measuring training effectiveness.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Independent System Certification	Regular third-party audit and certification of whistleblowing system effectiveness and compliance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AI Safety-Specific Provisions		9	7	9	0	0	0	0	0
AI Safety Commitment Protection	Explicit protection for reporting violations of frontier safety frameworks (eg., RSP, Preparedness Frameworks), public AI safety commitments, and internal safety policies	10	10	10	0	0	0	0	0
AI Safety Coordination	Protection for AI risk reporting to dedicated AI safety bodies (UK AI Security Institutes, US Center for AI Standards and Innovation, or other international regulatory bodies)	10	10	10	0	0	0	0	0
AI risk transparency	Protections for reporting intentional deception of external evaluators, regulators or the public, suppression of publication of safety evaluation results, and inadequate disclosure of risk to regulators and the public,	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
Inadequate AI risk management and cybersecurity	Protections for reporting inadequate risk management processes, incl. assessment, monitoring, mitigation, deployment pressure despite concerning levels of risk, insufficient operational and cybersecurity practices incl. incidents	8	8	8	0	0	0	0	0