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1. Introduction

The National Treasury (NT) is committed to protecting the privacy of data subjects and ensuring the lawful processing of personal information in accordance with the Protection of Personal Information Act No. 4 of 2013 (POPIA). This Privacy Statement outlines how NT collect, use, disclose, share and safeguard personal information in accordance with POPIA.

2. Scope

This privacy statement applies to all personal information processed by the National Treasury, including information collected through our websites, digital platforms, correspondence, and interactions with stakeholders.

3. Information NT Collects

National Treasury may collect the following categories of personal information:

- identity details - name, ID number; tax number;
- contact information - email address, phone number;
- employment and financial data such as banking details, where applicable;
- digital identifiers - IP address, browser type, and
- any other information voluntarily provided to NT.

4. Purpose of Collection

Personal information is collected and processed to fulfil NT's constitutional and legislative mandate, manage public finances, public procurement and related services. Personal information collected will further be processed to respond to inquiries, provide administrative support, policy formulation and development, improve service delivery and digital platforms, recruitment of employees and to comply with legal obligations.

5. Legal Basis for Processing

Personal information is collected based on:

- consent from the data subject;
- to perform NT's obligations in terms of a contract to which the data subject is party;
- to fulfil NT's legal obligation in terms of the Constitution;
- the Public Procurement Act and other statutes;
- to protect a legitimate interest of the data subject;

- to perform a duty in terms of the public law; or
- to pursue NT's legitimate interest or that of a third party for whom the information is collected or supplied too.

6. Data Subject's Rights

In terms of the POPIA, data subjects have the right to:

- access their personal information;
- request correction or deletion of information if it is not accurate or up to date; and
- object to the collection or processing of their information.

Data subjects may raise a complaint with NT about the way NT uses their personal information. If they are not satisfied with how the complaint was dealt with, a complaint can be lodged with the Information Regulator.

7. Information Sharing

National Treasury may share your personal information with other organs of state, regulatory bodies as required by law and our service providers under strict confidentiality agreements.

8. Security Safeguards

National Treasury implements appropriate technical and organisational measures to protect personal information against unauthorised access, loss, or misuse. These include secure servers, firewalls and encryption, access controls, audit trails, staff training and awareness interventions.

9. Data Retention

Personal information is retained only for as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes outlined above or as required by law. Secure disposal methods are used when data is no longer needed.

10. Cross-Border Transfers

Where necessary and appropriate, your personal information may be processed in other countries for:

- business purposes, in instances where NT's third parties are in countries outside of South Africa; or
- law enforcement agencies for investigation purposes.

NT has stringent processes to ensure that appropriate organisational and security safeguards are in place to protect personal information, which includes contractual and internal due diligence measures before personal information is transferred outside South Africa. The data subjects must give explicit consent for their information to be transferred.

11. Use of third Parties

National Treasury may from time to time share your personal information with third parties. NT will only disclose your personal information when:

- it is necessary to fulfil our legislative mandate;
- for business purposes;
- the law requires it;
- NT has a public duty to disclose the information; or
- you have provided consent for us to disclose your information.

NT requests the third parties with whom information is shared, to take adequate measures and to ensure compliance with applicable data protection laws and to protect the information NT discloses. NT does this through publishing terms and conditions that data subjects should accept; and where possible ensure contractual arrangements with these third parties. NT also takes internal measures to ensure that the third parties appointed have appropriate measures to protect the information provided to them.

12. Updates to this statement

This Privacy Statement may be updated periodically to reflect changes in law or Treasury operations. The latest version will be available on the NT official website.

13. How to contact us

The National Treasury's Accounting Officer is the Information Officer in terms of the POPI Act and is responsible for ensuring compliance with the POPI Act. For queries/comments please send an email to paia@treasury.gov.za.

14. Approval

This NT Privacy Statement is hereby approved by the Director-General (DG) on the recommendation of the Governance Review Committee.