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PRIVACY RESOURCES

Privacy FAQs - AskUs

'AskUs', our online FAQs, will answer common privacy questions such as:

"Can I record a conversation without telling the other person?"

"What are the rules about CCTV?"

"Should customers be asked to opt-in or opt-out for marketing emails?"

"Can my former employer make contact with my new employer to discuss me?"

You can ask any privacy question you may have from a work or personal perspective. www.privacy.org.nz/ask

Learn about privacy

Privacy affects everyone, so it's good to be up to speed on your rights and responsibilities. Our online privacy training teaches you about on various aspects of the Privacy Act and privacy law in general. Since it's online, you can work at your own pace, from anywhere. It's also free. There are a number of different modules on a number of different topics, and the most relevant module for beginners is Privacy 101, which gives an overview of the Privacy Act.

Each module is composed of written content and a number of small quizzes to test your knowledge along the way. There is also a pre-quiz and post-quiz so that you can test what you've learned. www.privacy.org.nz/e-learning

Create a privacy statement in minutes

If you collect personal information, you need to tell people what you are collecting and what you will use it for. A good way to comply with this part of the Act is to have a clear privacy statement that gives this information. Priv-o-matic is an award winning tool that allows agencies to prepare a simple privacy statement for their clients or customers.

Priv-o-Matic helps you create a privacy statement in 5 minutes. Rather than draft one from scratch, Priv-o-Matic drafts one for you by asking you a series of questions about the information you are collecting. This is much faster and easier for smaller agencies than employing lawyers to assist with a privacy statement.

https://privacy.org.nz/priv-o-matic

Ask agencies for your information

The Privacy Act gives you the right to see information agencies hold about you. AboutMe is a tool that helps you ask agencies for your personal information. It works by asking a series of questions, then generating a templated email that has all the information the agency will need to respond to the request.

https://privacy.org.nz/further-resources/aboutme-request-my-info-tool/



Privacy cases

We release anonymised case notes summarising some of our recent investigations. https://www.privacy.org.nz/news-and-publications/case-notes-and-court-decisions/

Find a privacy expert

Sometimes you need to bring in outside advice for privacy matters. We have a directory of privacy professionals from all over the country. These professionals include lawyers, mediators, IT professionals and more.

https://privacy.org.nz/further-resources/directory-of-privacy-professionals/

Privacy online

Check the Privacy Commissioner's website for guidance material, blog posts on topical issues and links to social media feeds. Keep up to date with privacy issues affecting New Zealanders, media releases and events our office is running https://www.privacy.org.nz/subscribe/

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