



## **CAPTURE | PROTECTION | STORAGE | SECURITY POLICIES**

### **SECURITY**

Evolve development language is PHP using Laravel Framework. The database is MySQL and is hosted on a AWS server.

#### **AWS Protection**

AWS maintains the high bar of data protection and privacy controls outlined in ISO/IEC 27018:2019 for all customer content as per our attached certification. AWS has a system of controls in place that specifically address the privacy protection of their content. AWS' alignment with and independent third-party assessment of this internationally recognized code of practice demonstrates AWS' commitment to the privacy and protection of customers' content.

EY CertifyPoint, an ISO certifying agent accredited by the Dutch Accreditation Council, a member of the International Accreditation Forum (IAF). Certificates issued by EY CertifyPoint are recognized as valid certificates in all countries with an IAF member.

All data flowing across the AWS global network that interconnects datacentres is automatically encrypted at the physical layer before it leaves our secured facilities. Additional encryption layers exist as well; for example, all VPC cross-region peering traffic, and customer or service-to-service TLS connections.

Our site is secure with SSL. The Secure Sockets Layer (SSL), is the world standard for secure data transmission over the Internet. SSL uses authentication and encryption technology developed by RSA Data Security Inc.

In addition, we use Hyper Text Transfer Protocol Secure (HTTPS) to protect your data.

#### **Safeguard of Information**

We are concerned about safeguarding the confidentiality of all information. We provide physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards to protect information we process and maintain. This is accomplished through restricted, password-activated access to the company's database as well as our SSL certificate.

### **PRIVACY POLICY**

Transparency is key at Event Options. We manage the information collected through online RSVP forms in accordance with the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPI). This policy outlines the principles and practices we follow in protecting your personal information and is applicable to Event Options and to any sub-contractors providing services on our behalf. Event Options does not collect other technical information such as IP address or location.

## **CONSENT**

We ask for consent to collect, use or disclose client personal information and we assume your consent to continue to use and, where applicable, disclose personal information that we have already collected, for the purpose for which the information was collected and or before sharing with sponsors.

By using our software, you are consenting to our processing of your information as set forth in this Privacy Policy now and as amended by us. "Processing," means using cookies on a computer/hand held device or using or touching information in any way, including, but not limited to, collecting, storing, deleting, using, combining and disclosing information, all of which activities will take place in the United States. If you reside outside the United States your information will be transferred, processed and stored there under United States privacy standards.

## **STORAGE**

We will retain provided data for as long as your event requires runs allowing for post event auditing if so required and for a reasonable time thereafter. We will retain automatically collected information for up to 90 days and thereafter may store it in aggregate. If you'd like us to delete provided data, please contact us at [info@eventoptions.co.za](mailto:info@eventoptions.co.za) and we will respond in a reasonable time.

## **What is a Proxy**

A proxy server acts as a gateway between you and the internet. It's an intermediary server separating end users from the websites they browse. Proxy servers provide varying levels of functionality, security, and privacy depending on your use case, needs, or company policy.

If you're using a proxy server, internet traffic flows through the proxy server on its way to the address you requested. The request then comes back through that same proxy server (there are exceptions to this rule), and then the proxy server forwards the data received from the website to you.

## **Remo Proxy Information**

As a general rule, using the latest versions of browsers will produce the best results. If the only way to access the Internet from your network is through a proxy then it must be a transparent proxy or it must be configured in the browser for HTTPS connections. Our technology does not work with proxies requiring authentication.

# **POLICY IN RESPECT OF PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION**

## **A: PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION IN TERMS OF THE PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION ACT 4 OF 2013**

### **1. PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION ACT, 4 OF 2013**

#### **1.1 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1.1 Event Options ("The Company") is obliged to comply with the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 ("POPI").
- 1.1.2 POPI requires the Company to inform their clients as to the manner in which their personal information is used, disclosed and destroyed.
- 1.1.3 This Policy sets out the manner in which the Company deals with its client's personal information and stipulates the purpose for which the said information is used. The Policy is available on request from the Company.
- 1.1.4 The objective of this Policy is to protect the Company's information assets from threats. This Policy establishes a general standard on the appropriate protection of personal information within the Company, provides principles regarding the right of individuals to privacy and to reasonable safeguards of their personal information.
- 1.1.5 For the purposes of this Policy, a client shall include any user of the platform.

#### **1.2 PERSONAL INFORMATION COLLECTED**

- 1.2.1 Section 9 of POPI states that "Personal Information must be processed lawfully and in a reasonable manner that does not infringe the privacy of a data subject."
- 1.2.2 The Company collects and processes personal information of users of its platform. the type of information will depend on the need for which it is collected and will be processed for that purpose only. Examples of personal information The Company will collect includes:
  - 1.2.2.1 Names;
  - 1.2.2.2 Surnames;
  - 1.2.2.3 Addresses;
  - 1.2.2.4 Email addresses;
  - 1.2.2.5 Identity numbers;
  - 1.2.2.6 Telephone numbers; and
  - 1.2.2.7 Employment details.
- 1.2.3 The Company may collect and process the client's personal information but will only do so with the express consent of the data subject or when permitted or required to do so in terms of law.
- 1.2.4 The Company shall endeavour to have agreements in place with all suppliers who may receive the personal data of the data subject to ensure that the service provider complies with the requirements of POPI.

### **1.3 THE USAGE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION**

1.3.1 The client's personal information will only be used for the purpose for which it was collected and as agreed upon with the client. This may include:

- 1.3.1.1 Providing products or services to clients and to carry out the transactions requested;
- 1.3.1.2 Confirming, verifying and updating client details;
- 1.3.1.3 Conducting market or customer satisfaction research;
- 1.3.1.4 For record keeping purposes;
- 1.3.1.5 In connection with legal proceedings;
- 1.3.1.6 Providing communication in respect of the Company that may affect clients; and
- 1.3.1.7 To comply with legal and regulatory requirements or when it is otherwise allowed by law.

1.3.2 According to Section 10 of POPI, personal information may only be processed under the following circumstances:

- 1.3.2.1 The client consents to the processing;
- 1.3.2.2 The necessity of processing;
- 1.3.2.3 Processing complies with an obligation imposed by law on the Company;
- 1.3.2.4 Processing protects a legitimate interest of the client;
- 1.3.2.5 Processing is necessary for pursuing the legitimate interests of the Company or of a third party to whom information is supplied — in order to provide the Company's clients with products and or services, the Company and any of its product suppliers require certain personal information from the clients.

### **1.4 DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION**

1.4.1 The Company may disclose a client's personal information to any of its companies or subsidiaries, joint venture companies and or approved third party service providers, whose services or products clients elect to use. The Company has agreements in place to ensure that compliance with confidentiality and privacy conditions.

1.4.2 The Company may share client personal information with and obtain information about clients from third parties for the reasons already discussed above.

1.4.3 The Company may also disclose a client's information where it has a duty or a right to disclose in terms of applicable legislation, the law, or where it may be deemed necessary in order to protect the Company's rights.

### **1.5 SAFEGUARDING CLIENT INFORMATION**

1.5.1 It is a requirement of POPI to adequately protect personal information. The Company will continuously review its security controls and processes to ensure that personal information is secure.

1.5.2 The following procedures are in place in order to protect personal information:

1.5.2.1 The Company Information Officer is Zinnia Peens, who is responsible for the compliance with the conditions of the lawful processing of personal information and other provisions of POPI;

1.5.2.2 The Company information officer is to ensure the following:

1.5.2.2.1 The development and upkeep of this policy;

1.5.2.2.2 That the policy is supported by appropriate documentation and that such documentation is kept up to date; and

1.5.2.2.3 Ensuring this policy and subsequent updates are communicated to relevant managers, representatives, staff and associates, where applicable.

1.5.1 This policy has been implemented within the Company;

1.5.2 Each new employee will be required to sign an employment contract, containing relevant consent clauses for the use and storage of employee information, or any other action so required, in terms of POPI;

1.5.3 Every employee currently employed within the Company will be required to sign an addendum to their employment contract containing relevant consent clauses for the use and storage of employee information, or any other action so required, in terms of POPI;

1.5.4 The Company archived client information is stored off-site. The Company has ensured that all third-party suppliers have satisfied the minimum requirements as set out in POPI and all further requirements that this policy contains;

**1.5.5** The Company's suppliers, insurers and other third-party service providers will be required to sign an agreement guaranteeing their commitment to the protection of personal information.

## **1.6 CONSENT**

The Company shall obtain consent from the client, or a person who has been given authorisation from the client, to process the client's information. Any freely given, specific, informed and unambiguous indication of the client's wishes by which the client, by a statement or by a clear affirmative action, signifies agreement to the processing of their personal information, consent will be deemed to have been given.

## **1.7 ACCESS AND CORRECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION**

1.7.1 Clients have the right to access their personal information held by the Company. Clients also have the right to ask the Company to update, correct or delete their personal information on reasonable grounds. Once a client objects to the processing of their personal information, the Company may no longer process said personal information. The Company will take all reasonable steps to confirm its clients' identity before providing details of their personal information or making changes to their personal information.

1.7.2 The details of the Company's Information officer are as follows:

**Information Officer Name:** Larna Jackson  
**Telephone Number** 0115172338  
**E-Mail Address:** [larna@eventoptions.co.za](mailto:larna@eventoptions.co.za)

1.7.2.1 The Company's Information officer, employees and key individuals undertake to adhere to the following principles:

- 1.7.2.1.1 To obtain clients' consent to process their personal information;
- 1.7.2.1.2 To provide transparency with regards to the procedures governing the collection and processing of personal information;
- 1.7.2.1.3 To comply with all regulatory requirements regarding the collection and processing of personal information;
- 1.7.2.1.4 To collect and process personal information only by lawful means, in a manner compatible with the purpose for which it was collected;
- 1.7.2.1.5 To inform clients when personal information is collected about them;
- 1.7.2.1.6 To treat sensitive personal information with the utmost care;
- 1.7.2.1.7 To endeavour to keep personal information accurate and complete;
- 1.7.2.1.8 To provide individuals with the opportunity to access the personal information relating to them and, where applicable, to comply with requests to correct, amend or delete personal information;
- 1.7.2.1.9 To share personal information with third parties only when strictly necessary and with a reasonable assurance that the recipient has its own privacy and security protection controls in place for protection of personal information;
- 1.7.2.1.10 To develop reasonable safeguards against risks such as unauthorized access, use or disclosure of personal information;
- 1.7.2.1.11 To comply with any requirements in the event that information is exchanged through international borders.

## **2. AMENDMENTS TO THIS POLICY**

Amendments to, or a review of this Policy, will take place on an ad hoc basis or at least once a year. Clients are advised to refer to the Company's website periodically to keep abreast of any changes.

## **3. MONITORING**

- 3.1 The management and Information Officer of The Company, are responsible for administering and overseeing the implementation of this policy and, as applicable, supporting guidelines, standard operating procedures, notices, consents and appropriate related documents and processes.
- 3.2 The Company and key individuals, representatives and staff are to be trained according to their functions in regulatory requirements, policies and guidelines that govern the protection of personal information, the Company will conduct periodic reviews and audits, where appropriate, to demonstrate compliance with privacy regulation, policy and guidelines.

## **4. OPERATING CONTROLS**

- 4.1 The Company, shall establish appropriate privacy standard operating controls that are consistent with this policy and regulatory requirements.
- 4.2 This will include:
  - 4.2.1 Allocation of information security responsibilities;
  - 4.2.2 Incident reporting and management;

- 4.2.3 User ID addition or removal;
- 4.2.4 Information security training and education;
- 4.2.5 Data backup.

## **5. AVAILABILITY OF THE MANUAL**

This manual is made available on the Company's website, or on request from the Company's information officer.