

PAIA MANUAL

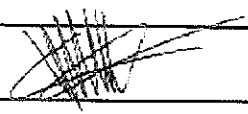
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MANUAL STATEMENT

- This manual forms part of the manual owner's internal business processes and procedures.
- Any reference to the "organisation" shall be interpreted to include the "manual owner".
- The organisation's governing body, its employees, volunteers, contractors, suppliers and any other persons acting on behalf of the organisation are required to familiarise themselves with the manual's requirements and undertake to comply with the stated processes and procedures.
- Risk owners and control owners are responsible for overseeing and maintaining control procedures and activities.

MANUAL ADOPTION

By signing this document, I authorise the manual owner's approval and adoption of the processes and procedures outlined herein.

Name & Surname	Candice Harvey
Capacity	Director
Signature	
Date	21-5-2024

1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 Data Subject

The person to whom personal information relates.

1.2 Deputy Information Officer

The person to whom any power or duty conferred or imposed on an Information Officer by POPI has been delegated.

1.3 Head

In relation to a private body means:

- in the case of a natural person, that natural person or any person duly authorised by that natural person;
- in the case of a partnership, any partner of the partnership or any person duly authorised by the partnership;
- in the case of a juristic person:
 - the chief executive officer or equivalent officer of the juristic person or any person duly authorised by that officer; or
 - the person who is acting as such or any person duly authorised by such acting person

1.4 Information Officer

The head of a private body.

1.5 Information Regulator

The Regulator established in terms of Section 39 of POPI.

1.6 PAIA

The Promotion of Access to Information Act 2 of 2000

1.7 Person

A natural person or a juristic person

1.8 Personal Information

- Information relating to an identifiable, living, natural person, and where it is applicable, an identifiable, existing juristic person, including, but not limited to: information relating to the race, gender, sex, pregnancy, marital status, national, ethnic or social origin, colour, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental health, well-being, disability, religion, conscience, belief, culture, language and birth of the person;
- Information relating to the education or the medical, financial, criminal or employment history of the person;
- Any identifying number, symbol, e-mail address, physical address, telephone number, location information, online identifier or other particular assignment to the person, the biometric information of the person;
- The personal opinions, views or preferences of the person; correspondence sent by the person that is implicitly or explicitly of a private or confidential nature or further correspondence that would reveal the contents of the original correspondence;
- The views or opinions of another individual about the person; and the name of the person if it appears with other personal information relating to the person or if the disclosure of the name itself would reveal information about the person.

1.9 Personal Requester

A requester seeking access to a record containing personal information about the requester

1.10 POPI

The Promotion of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013

Annexure A : Contact Details & Business Type

This section provides the organisation's postal and street address, phone and fax number and, if available, the e-mail address of the head of the organisation

Annexure B : Section 10 PAIA Guide

This section provides a description of the guide referred to in Section 10 of PAIA and how you may obtain access to it

Annexure C : Statutory Records

This section provides a description of the various statutes in terms of which the organisation is required to maintain records

Annexure D : Availability of Records

This section provides a list of records held by the organisation along with an indication of whether the record is freely available or only accessible by way of a formal request in terms of the provisions of PAIA. The section also provides a description of the category of data subject(s) to who the respective records relates along with an indication of the purpose for which the record is being kept. Records that are indicated as "Freely Available" can be accessed by contacting the Deputy Information Officer (see Annexure A), without having to follow any formal procedures. Records that are indicated as a "PAIA Request", requires the requester to lodge a formal request as provided for in Annexure E

Annexure E : Request Procedure

This section sets out the procedure required to obtain access to a record indicated as a "PAIA Request" in Annexure D

Annexure F : Prescribed Fees

This section sets out the fees that are payable to the organisation prior to processing a request to obtain access to a record held by the organisation

Annexure G : Processing of Personal Information

This section sets out the applicable aspects for the processing of personal information

Annexure H : Deputy Information Officer Appointment

This section provides for the formal appointment of a Deputy Information Officer where so required

3 DUTIES OF THE INFORMATION OFFICER

The Information Officer and/or the Deputy Information Officer of the organisation are responsible for:

- Publishing and proper communication of the manual i.e. creating manual awareness
- The facilitation of any request for access
- Providing adequate notice and feedback to the requester
- Determining whether to grant a request for access to a complete/full record or only part of a record
- Ensuring that access to a record, where so granted, is provided timeously and in the correct format
- Reviewing the manual for accuracy and communicating any amendments

Right of Access

The Information Officer and/or Deputy Information Officer may only provide access to any record held by the organisation to a requester if:

- The record is required for the exercise or protection of any right, and
- The requester complies with the procedural requirements relating to a request for access to that record, and
- Access to that record is not refused in terms of any of the grounds for refusal listed below

- The record consists of information that contains trade secrets of a third party
- The record consists of information that contains financial, commercial, scientific or technical information, other than trade secrets, of a third party, the disclosure of which would be likely to cause harm to the commercial or financial interests of that third party
- The record consists of information supplied in confidence by a third party, the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to put that third party at a disadvantage in contractual or other negotiations or to prejudice that third party in commercial competition

No Grounds for Refusal

- The record consists of information about a third party who has consented who has already consented in writing to its disclosure to the requester concerned
- The record consists of information about the results of any product or environmental testing or other investigation supplied by a third party or the results of any such testing or investigation carried out by or on behalf of a third party and its disclosure would reveal a serious public safety or environmental risk (the results of any product or environmental testing or other investigation do not include the results of preliminary testing or other investigation conducted for the purpose of developing methods of testing or other investigation)

C: Mandatory Protection of certain Confidential Information of a Third Party

Grounds for Refusal

- The record consists of information the disclosure of which would constitute an action for breach of a duty of confidence owed to a third party in terms of an agreement

D: Mandatory Protection of Safety of Individuals and Protection of Property

Grounds for Refusal

- The record consists of information that if disclosed could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of an individual
- The record consists of information that if disclosed would likely prejudice or impair the security of a building, a structure or system, a computer or communication system, a means of transport, any other property
- The record consists of information that if disclosed would likely prejudice or impair the security of methods, systems, plans or procedures for the protection of an individual in accordance with a witness protection scheme, the safety of the public, or any part of the public, or the security of property

E: Mandatory Protection of Records privileged from Production in Legal Proceedings

Grounds for Refusal

- The record consists of information privileged from production in legal proceedings unless the person entitled to the privilege has waived the privilege

F: Commercial Information of the Organisation

Grounds for Refusal

- The form in which access will be given, and
- That the requester may lodge a complaint with the Information Regulator or an application with a court against the access fee to be paid or the form of access granted, and the procedure, including the period allowed, for lodging a complaint with the Information Regulator or the application

If the request for access is refused, the notice must:

- State adequate reasons for the refusal, including the relevant provision of PAIA that was relied on
- Exclude, from any such reasons, any reference to the content of the records' and
- State that the requester may lodge a complaint with the Information Regulator or an application with a court against the refusal of the request, and the procedure (including the period) for lodging a complaint with the Information Regulator or the application

Should all reasonable steps have been taken to find a record requested, and there are reasonable grounds for believing that the record:

- Is in the organisation's possession, but cannot be found, or
- Simply does not exist,

the head of the organisation must, by way of affidavit or affirmation, notify the requester that it is not possible to provide access to that record. The affidavit or affirmation must provide full account of all steps taken to find the record in question or to determine whether the record exists, as the case may be, including all communication with every person who conducted the search on behalf of the head.

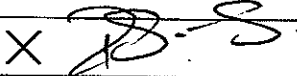
5 AVAILABILITY OF THE MANUAL

A copy of the Manual is available-

- on (specify the website), if any;
- head office of the (name of the body) for public inspection during normal business hours;
- to any person upon request and upon the payment of a reasonable prescribed fee; and
- to the Information Regulator upon request.

A fee for a copy of the Manual, as contemplated in annexure B of the Regulations, shall be payable per each A4-size photocopy made.

ANNEXURE B : SECTION 10 PAIA GUIDE

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The Regulator has, in terms of section 10(1) of PAIA, as amended, updated and made available the revised Guide on how to use PAIA ("Guide"), in an easily comprehensible form and manner, as may reasonably be required by a person who wishes to exercise any right contemplated in PAIA and POPIA.

The Guide is available in each of the official languages and in braille.

The aforesaid Guide contains the description of-

- the objects of PAIA and POPIA;
- the postal and street address, phone and fax number and, if available, electronic mail address of the Information Officer of every public body, and every Deputy Information Officer of every public and private body designated in terms of section 17(1) of PAIA and section 56 of POPIA ;
- the manner and form of a request for-
 - access to a record of a public body contemplated in section 11 ; and
 - access to a record of a private body contemplated in section 50 ;
- the assistance available from the IO of a public body in terms of PAIA and POPIA;
- the assistance available from the Regulator in terms of PAIA and POPIA;
- all remedies in law available regarding an act or failure to act in respect of a right or duty conferred or imposed by PAIA and POPIA, including the manner of lodging-
 - an internal appeal;
 - a complaint to the Regulator; and
 - an application with a court against a decision by the information officer of a public body, a decision on internal appeal or a decision by the Regulator or a decision of the head of a private body;
- the provisions of sections 14 and 51 requiring a public body and private body, respectively, to compile a manual, and how to obtain access to a manual;
- the provisions of sections 15 and 52 providing for the voluntary disclosure of categories of records by a public body and private body, respectively;
- the notices issued in terms of sections 22 and 54 regarding fees to be paid in relation to requests for access; and
- the regulations made in terms of section 92 .

Members of the public can inspect or make copies of the Guide from the offices of the public and private bodies, including the office of the Regulator, during normal working hours.

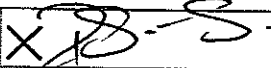
The Guide can also be obtained-

- upon request to the Information Officer;
- from the website of the Regulator (<https://www.justice.gov.za/inforeg/>).

PAIA grants a requester access to records of a private body, if the record is required for the exercise or protection of any rights. Where a public body lodges a request, the public body must be acting in the public interest.

Requests in terms of PAIA shall be made in accordance with the prescribed procedures at the rates provided.

ANNEXURE D : AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS

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The organisation maintains the following categories of records and related subject matter. The status of the record's availability, the purpose for its processing and the relevant data subject category to who the record relates are set out below:

Category:	Record:	Availability:	Purpose:	Data Subject:	
Public Affairs	Public Product Information	Freely Available	Convey Public Information	Organisation	
	Public Corporate Records	Freely Available	Convey Public Information	Organisation	
	Media Releases	Freely Available	Convey Public Information	Organisation	
	Published Newsletters	Freely Available	Convey Public Information	Organisation	
	Magazine Articles	Freely Available	Convey Public Information	Organisation	
Regulatory & Administrative	Permits, Licenses or Authorities	Freely Available	Statutory Requirement	Organisation	
	Conflict of Interest Management Policy	Freely Available	Statutory Requirement	Organisation	
	Complaints Policy	Freely Available	Statutory Requirement	Organisation	
	FICA Internal Rules	PAIA Request	Statutory Requirement	Organisation	
	Health & Safety Plan	PAIA Request	Statutory Requirement	Organisation	
	Memorandum of Incorporation	PAIA Request	Statutory Requirement	Organisation	
	Minutes of Board or Directors Meetings	PAIA Request	Statutory Requirement	Organisation	
	Register of Members	PAIA Request	Statutory Requirement	Organisation	
	Register of Board of Directors	PAIA Request	Statutory Requirement	Organisation	
	Internal correspondence (e-mails/memos)	PAIA Request	Internal Communications	Employees	
	Insurance Policies held by organisation	PAIA Request	Risk Management	Organisation	
	Human Resources	Employment Applications	PAIA Request	Internal Referencing	Employees
		Employment Contracts	PAIA Request	Contractual Agreement	Employees
Personal Information of Employees		PAIA Request	Internal Referencing	Employees	
Employment Equity Plan		PAIA Request	Statutory Requirement	Organisation	
Medical Aid Records		PAIA Request	Internal Referencing	Employees	
Pension Fund Records		PAIA Request	Internal Referencing	Employees	
Disciplinary Records		PAIA Request	Statutory Requirement	Employees	
Performance Management Records		PAIA Request	Internal Referencing	Employees	
Salary Records		PAIA Request	Internal Referencing	Employees	
Employee Benefit Records		PAIA Request	Internal Referencing	Employees	
PAYE Records		PAIA Request	Statutory Requirement	Employees	
Seta Records		PAIA Request	Statutory Requirement	Employees	
Disciplinary Code		PAIA Request	Statutory Requirement	Organisation	
Leave Records		PAIA Request	Internal Referencing	Employees	
Training Records		PAIA Request	Internal Referencing	Employees	
Training Manual		PAIA Request	Internal Referencing	Organisation	

ANNEXURE E : REQUEST PROCEDURE

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To facilitate the processing of your request, kindly complete and submit the form below to the e-mail address of the Deputy Information Officer indicated in Annexure A.

The Deputy Information Officer will notify the requester that a request for access has been received and that the prescribed fee (if any) is payable prior to processing the request. Please refer to Annexure F for a full breakdown of fees payable. Personal requesters will not be charged a request fee.

Once the request has been processed, the Deputy Information Officer will inform you of the outcome of your request and any additional fees that may fall due.

Please be advised that PAIA provides a number of grounds on which a request for access to information must be refused. These grounds mainly comprise instances where:

- the privacy and interests of other individuals are protected
- where such records are already otherwise publicly available
- instances where public interest are not served
- the mandatory protection of commercial information of a third party
- the mandatory protection of certain confidential information of a third party

When completing the form below please:

- indicate the identity of the person seeking access to the information
- provide sufficient particulars to enable the deputy information officer to identify the information requested
- specify the format in which the information is required
- indicate the contact details of the person requiring the information
- indicate the right to be exercised and/or to be protected, and specify the reasons why the information required will enable the person to protect and/or exercise the right
- where the person requesting the information wishes to be informed of the decision of the request in a particular manner, state the manner and particulars to be so informed
- if the request for information is made on behalf of another person, submit proof that the person submitting the request, has obtained the necessary authorisation to do so

A. Particulars of Private Body
The Head:
B. Particulars of person requesting access to the record
(i) The particulars of the person who requests access to the record must be recorded below
(ii) Furnish an address and/or fax number in the Republic to which information must be sent
(iii) Proof of the capacity in which the request is made, if applicable, must be attached
Full names & surname:

(iii) The fee payable for access to the record, if any, will be determined partly by the form in which access is requested

1) If the record is in written or printed form:

- copy of record
- inspection of record

2) If record consists of visual images:

- view the images
- copy of the images
- transcription of the images

3) If the record consists of recorded words or information which can be reproduced in sound:

- listen to the soundtrack
- transcription of the soundtrack

4) If the record is held on computer or in an electronic or machine-readable form:

- printed copy of record
- copy in computer readable form

Please indicate the preferred method of delivery

- By hand
- Email
- Post
- Fax

G. Particulars of right to be exercised or protected

If the provided space is inadequate, please continue on a separate folio and attach it to this form. The requester must sign all additional folios.

Indicate which right is to be exercised or protected:

Explain why the record requested is required for the exercise or protection of the aforementioned right:

H. Notice of decision regarding the request for access

You will be notified in writing whether your request has been approved / denied. If you wish to be informed thereof in another manner, please specify the manner and provide the necessary particulars to enable compliance with your request

How would you prefer to be informed of the decision regarding your request for access to the record?

I. Signature page

Signed at: *JOHANNESBURG*

Date: *21-5-2024*

Signature of Requester / Person on whose behalf request is made:

Actual
expense, if
any."

11. Postage, e-mail or any other electronic transfer

ANNEXURE G : PROCESSING OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

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1. Purpose of Processing Personal Information

Describe the purpose or reasons for processing personal information in your organisation.

2. Description of the categories of Data Subjects and of the information or categories of information relating thereto

Specify the categories of data subjects in respect of whom the body processes personal information and the nature or categories of the personal information being processed.

Below is the template that can be used to set out the categories of data subjects and the description of the nature or categories of the personal information to be processed. Note that the nature or categories of the personal information is dependent on the purpose of the body in performing its functions or services. .

Categories of Data Subjects	Personal Information that may be processed
Customers / Clients	name, address, registration numbers or identity numbers, employment status and bank details
Service Providers	names, registration number, vat numbers, address, trade secrets and bank details
Employees	address, qualifications, gender and race

3. The recipients or categories of recipients to whom the personal information may be supplied

Specify the person or category of persons to whom the body may disseminate personal information. Below is an example of the category of personal information which may be disseminated and the recipient or category of recipients of the personal information.

Category of personal information	Recipients or Categories of Recipients to whom the personal information may be supplied
Identity number and names, for criminal checks	South African Police Services
Qualifications, for qualification verifications	South African Qualifications Authority
Credit and payment history, for credit information	Credit Bureaus

4. Planned transborder flows of personal information

ANNEXURE H : DEPUTY INFORMATION OFFICER APPOINTMENT

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In terms of the Protection of Personal Information Act the head of a private body is the designated Information Officer for that private body. The Information Officer may delegate any power or duty conferred or imposed in terms of POPI to the Deputy Information Officer.

The organisation has appointed a Deputy Information Officer to facilitate any requests to access records held by the organisation. This delegation does not prohibit the person who made the delegation from exercising power concerned or performing the duty concerned himself or herself. The delegation may at any time be withdrawn or amended in writing by the person who made the delegation.

The Deputy Information Officer need not have any specific qualifications but must have a thorough knowledge of the organisation's functional departments and business processes.

The Deputy Information Officer has the authority to approach all staff members of the organisation and to request all records held by the organisation. Where a manager is of the opinion that access to a record should not be granted to the Deputy Information Officer, reasons for this decision shall be given to the Information Officer who will make a final decision on the matter.

Together with the Information Officer, the Deputy Information Officer is responsible for:

- Publishing and proper communication of the manual i.e. creating manual awareness
- The facilitation of any request for access
- Providing adequate notice and feedback to the requester
- Determining whether to grant a request for access to a complete/full record or only part of a record
- Ensuring that access to a record, where so granted, is provided timeously and in the correct format
- Reviewing the manual for accuracy and communicating any amendments

As the Head of the organisation, I Russell Sachs hereby appoint Carol Goncalves

as the Organisation's Deputy Information Officer

X *R.S.*

 Head Signature

31-5-2024

 Date

[Signature]

 Deputy Information Officer Signature

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 Date


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Company: FORBES TRUST

Reg No: 1981/001057/07

No	Questions	Response
1	The number of requests for access received	0
2	The number of requests for access granted in full	0
3	The number of requests for access granted in terms of Section 46	0
4	The number of requests for access refused in full	0
5	The number of requests for access refused partially	0
6	The number of cases in which the periods stipulated in Section 25(1) were extended in terms of Section 26(1)	0
7	The number of internal appeals lodged with the relevant authority	0
8	The number of cases in which, as a result of an internal appeal, access was given to a record or a part thereof	0
9	The number of internal appeals which were lodged on the grounds that a request for access was regarded as having been refused in terms of Section 27	0
10	The number of decisions of the Information Regulator reviewed against	0
11	The number of applications made to every court and the outcome thereof and the number of decisions of every court appealed against and the outcome thereof	0
12	The number of applications to every court which were lodged on the grounds that an internal appeal was regarded as having been dismissed in terms of Section 77 (7)	0

As confirmed by the Information Officer


 Information Officer
 Name: G. LINDO
 Date: 23-5-2024