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ISO/IEC 27001:2022	Clauses 5.1, 6.1.3, 8.1									
ISO/IEC 27002:2022	Controls 5.34, 8.10-8.12									
NIST SP 800-53 Rev.5	AR-2, PL-5, AC-6, IR-4									
EU GDPR	Article 5, 6, 12-23, 30, 32-	-34								
EU NIS2	Article 21(2)(e), 21(2)(f)									
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1. Purpose

- 1.1. This policy defines how the organization protects personal data in line with legal obligations, regulatory frameworks, and international security standards.
- 1.2. It ensures that personal data—whether from customers, staff, or partners—is collected, used, stored, and deleted in a lawful, fair, and secure way.
- 1.3. This policy also enables compliance with ISO/IEC 27001:2022 and supports audit readiness by enforcing a consistent, risk-based approach to privacy protection.
- 1.4. Through this policy, the organization demonstrates accountability and builds customer trust by prioritizing transparency, data minimization, and strong privacy governance.

2. Scope

- 2.1. This policy applies to:
 - 2.1.1. All employees, contractors, or service providers who access, process, or manage personal data
 - 2.1.2. Any system, application, or location where personal data is stored or transmitted
 - 2.1.3. All personal data, whether stored electronically, on paper, in cloud systems, or mobile devices
- 2.2. This policy applies to data related to customers, staff, vendors, and any other identifiable individuals.
- 2.3. The policy remains in force regardless of whether data is processed internally or by third-party service providers.

3. Objectives

- 3.1. Ensure personal data is handled in accordance with privacy laws and security standards, including GDPR, NIS2, and ISO 27001.
- 3.2. Protect personal data against unauthorized access, misuse, alteration, or loss through clear technical and organizational controls.
- 3.3. Respect the privacy rights of individuals, including the right to access, correct, and erase their data.
- 3.4. Establish clear roles and responsibilities for data protection within the organization.
- 3.5. Enforce data minimization, secure retention, and timely deletion across all systems and processes.
- 3.6. Reduce the risk of non-compliance, legal penalties, reputational damage, or customer distrust.

4. Roles and Responsibilities

4.1. General Manager (GM)

- 4.1.1. Approves this policy and ensures it is enforced
- 4.1.2. Provides necessary resources to manage privacy risks and respond to incidents
- 4.1.3. Holds overall accountability for compliance with privacy laws and standards

4.2. Privacy Coordinator (Internal or Outsourced)

- 4.2.1. Maintains data processing activity records
- 4.2.2. Responds to individual privacy requests and regulatory inquiries
- 4.2.3. Supports risk assessments, training, and policy implementation
- 4.2.4. Documents breach cases and notifies authorities when required

4.3. IT Support Provider

- 4.3.1. Applies encryption, access controls, secure storage, and backups
- 4.3.2. Limits system access to authorized users only

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4.3.3. Configures privacy-by-default settings in systems and applications

4.4. Department Managers

- 4.4.1. Ensure staff follow privacy rules when collecting or handling personal data
- 4.4.2. Verify that data is stored securely and only for authorized purposes

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Reference Standards and Frameworks

ISO/IEC 27001:2022

- **Clause 5.1** Requires top management to demonstrate leadership and commitment to protecting personal data.
- Clause 6.1.3 Mandates treatment of risks related to processing personal information.
- Clause 8.1 Requires implementation of operational controls to safeguard data throughout its lifecycle.

ISO/IEC 27002:2022

- Control 5.34 Provides implementation guidance on protecting privacy and handling PII securely.
- **Control 8.10** Addresses secure disposal of personal data to prevent residual disclosure.
- **Control 8.11** Supports use of masking and pseudonymization for data minimization.
- Control 8.12 Prevents unauthorized data leakage through controls on data access and use.

NIST SP 800-53 Rev.5

- AR-2 Assigns roles and responsibilities for managing privacy risk.
- PL-5 Requires privacy plan documentation covering data use and protection.
- AC-6 Mandates least privilege and access controls for personal data.
- **IR-4** Requires incident handling processes for breaches involving personal data.

EU GDPR

- **Article 5** Defines the core principles of lawful, fair, and transparent data processing.
- Article 6 Requires valid legal basis for each personal data processing activity.
- Articles 12–23 Outline data subject rights including access, rectification, erasure, and objection.
- **Article 30** Mandates records of processing activities.
- **Article 32** Requires appropriate technical and organizational security measures.

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Articles 33–34 – Set breach notification obligations to authorities and data subjects.

EU NIS2

Article 21(2)(e) – Requires measures to ensure data protection aligned with cybersecurity policies.

Article 21(2)(f) – Mandates mechanisms to manage the security of personal and confidential data in ICT systems.

EU DORA

Article 6 – Requires internal governance frameworks that manage data risk and protection.

Article 15 – Obligates financial entities to ensure third-party providers protect personal data and support regulatory compliance.

Article 17 – Requires firms to ensure that ICT systems processing personal data are secure, resilient, and monitored.

COBIT 2019

APO12 – Manage Risk: Requires identification and treatment of privacy and data protection risks.

DSS05 – Manage Security Services: Mandates safeguards to prevent unauthorized access to personal data.

MEA03 – Monitor Compliance: Requires organizations to ensure ongoing compliance with privacy and data protection laws.

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