

## **Public Statement on Data Privacy**

Given the importance of confidentiality and privacy, DVS BEE Services is fully committed to the protection of your personal information and data and will therefore only process a data subject's personal information in line with the POPI Act.

As part of the nature of our verification activities, DVS BEE Services is involved in the collection, use, storage, and disclosure of certain personal information of users of our social and electronic media and communication, measured entities and their employees. As such we will take all reasonable measures to protect the personal information as submitted to DVS BEE Services by you.

## 1. We collect the following data:

- Non personal usage data collected through automatic data collection technologies such as cookies and web beacons when the website is accessed such as clicks, browsing patterns, location data etc.
- Personal data such as name and company information when contact forms and application forms are submitted by data subjects.
- Personal information is collected from measured entities (including information on their employees)
  for verification purposes. It is the responsibility of Measured entities to ensure that they have
  obtained the necessary consent from their employees to use their personal data where required for BBBEE verification purposes.

## 2. Use of data collected:

- Non personal usage data is used to determine the website efficiency, improve browsing experience, improve customer service etc.
- Personal data submitted via application forms is used to communicate with users and advise on our services.
- Personal information collected as part of the BEE verification process is used solely for auditing purposes to determine a measured entities compliance with the BEE scorecard and to provide a BEE score.

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- 3. DVS BEE Services does not knowingly collect data from children under 13 years of age unless this is necessary as part of the BEE verification process and then only with parental consent.
- 4. By using the website and other social media platforms, data subjects agree to, and provide consent, for the use of non-personal usage data and personal data submitted via said platforms.
- 5. At no time will personal information be used for direct marketing and advertising campaigns unless prior consent has been obtained from the data subject. All direct market campaigns will also have an opt-out functionality as required by law.
- 6. All data collected will be stored within the borders of South Africa
- 7. Data and information collected will be processed by DVS BEE personnel and its authorised representative where applicable
- 8. You may request access to the personal information we have collected as well as the correction or deletion of your personal information held by DVS BEE Services by submitting the Request for Access to Personal Information form to the Information Officer.
- 9. DVS BEE Services may disclose information that does not identify any individual without restriction.

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