

**“NPC Circular 16-01 :**

**SECURITY OF PERSONAL DATA IN**  
**GOVERNMENT AGENCIES”**

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# DATA PRIVACY ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE FRAMEWORK



A. Choose a DPO

- B. Register  
C. Records of processing activities  
D. Conduct PIA

- E. Privacy Management Program  
F. Privacy Manual

- G. Privacy Notice  
H-O. Data Subject Rights  
P. Data Life Cycle

- Q. Organizational  
R. Physical  
S. Technical  
▶ Data Center  
▶ Encryption  
▶ Access Control Policy



- T. Data Breach Management;  
▶ Security Policy  
▶ Data Breach Response Team  
▶ Incident Response Procedure  
▶ Document  
▶ Breach Notification

- U. Third Parties;  
▶ Legal Basis for Disclosure  
▶ Data Sharing Agreements  
▶ Cross Border Transfer Agreement

- V. Trainings and Certifications  
W. Security Clearance

- X. Continuing Assessment and Development  
▶ Regular PIA  
▶ Review Contracts  
▶ Internal Assessments  
▶ Review PMP  
▶ Accreditations

- Y. New technologies and standards  
Z. New legal requirements

# Government Requirements based on NPC Circular 16-01

## Section 4 :

### Appointment Papers of a Data Protection Officer :

- A designated individual(s) who is accountable for the organization's compliance with the DPA

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### Privacy and data protection policies :

- Create privacy and data protection policies

## **Section 5 :**

### **Privacy Impact Assessments:**

- Conduct a privacy impact assessment for each program or process to determine the privacy risks and legal gaps**

## **Section 6 :**

### **Control Framework for RISKS and LEGAL GAPS :**

- Address the risks and legal gaps identified in the privacy impact assessments by creating a control framework with proper organizational, physical and technical security measures**

## **Cont. of Section 6 :**

- **ISO/IEC 27002 (recommended):**

**For large-scale agencies (more than 1,000 employees), it is recommended to implement the use of ISO/IEC 27002 – Code of practice for information security controls**

## **Section 7 :**

### **Data Center:**

**Personal data being processed by a government agency shall be stored in a data center with the appropriate control framework for data protection**

## **Section 8:**

### **Encryption of personal data at rest and in transit (AES-256):**

**Personal data that are processed digitally, at rest and in transit, must be encrypted using Advanced Encryption Standard with a key size of 256 bits as minimum standard**

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### **Password policy:**

**Enforcement of a strong and sufficient password policy to deter passwords attacks**

## **Section 9:**

### **Access Control Policy:**

**Access to all applications, processing systems and facilities owned and controlled by an agency shall be restricted to its personnel that have the appropriate security clearance.**

## **Section 10:**

### **Outsourcing Contracts:**

**When dealing with personal information processors, ensure that proper organizational, physical and technical security measures are in place to ensure the confidentiality, integrity and availability of personal data**

## **Section 11:**

### **Audits:**

To further ensure personal data protection, NPC reserves the right to conduct an audit. An independent verification/certification by a reputable third party may also be accepted.

## **Section 12:**

### **ISO/IEC 27018 certification (recommended):**

An ISO/IEC 27018 certification is recommended for the service or function provided by a service provider.



## **Section 13:**

### **Archives:**

**Apply organizational, physical and technical security measures to protect archived personal data**

## **Section 14-15:**

### **Access Control and Security Clearance for Database Modification or Personal Data Access :**

**Strictly regulate access to personal data by having a security clearance policy for personal data that are in the agency's custody**

## **Section 16:**

### **Access Control Policy on Outsourced Providers**

**Contractors, consultants and service providers that have access to personal data shall be governed by strict procedures stated in their contracts**

## **Section 17-18:**

### **Acceptable Use Policy**

**Have an up-to-date acceptable use policy regarding the use of ICT resources**

## **Cont. of Section 17-18:**

### **Secure Encrypted link and Multi-Factor Authentication for Online Access**

**Agency personnel who access personal data online should authenticate their identity through a secure encrypted link and use multi-factor authentication.**

## **Section 19:**

### **Automatic Deletion**

**Provide for the automatic deletion of temporary files that may be stored on a local machine**

## **Cont. of Section 19:**

### **Network Drive**

**Personnel shall only be permitted to save personal data to an allocated network drive whenever applicable**

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### **Drives and USB ports (disabling policy)**

**Establish policies to prevent unlawful personal data distribution through portable media**

## **Section 20:**

### **Authorized Devices Policy**

**Ensure that only authorized devices are being used.**

## **Section 21:**

### **Remote Wipe/Deletion Policy**

**Adopt and use technologies that allow the remote disconnection of a mobile device owned by the agency or the deletion of personal data in it.**

## **Section 22:**

### **Paper-based Filing System**

**Maintain a log for personal data that are stored in paper files or any physical media.**

## **Section 24:**

### **Email Encryption**

**If personal data are transferred by email, data must be encrypted**

## **Section 25:**

### **Policies on printing personal data**

**Controls must be in place to prevent personnel from printing or copying personal data to personal productivity software like word processors and spreadsheets.**

## **Section 26:**

### **Full Disk Drive Encryption**

**Ensure that the agency utilizes full disk encryption whenever portable media are used for personal data processing.**

## **Section 27:**

### **One-time PIN for CD or DVD usage or distribution**

**If the use of compact discs in personal data transfer is unavoidable, an authentication technology such as one-time PIN (OTP) must be in place.**

## **Section 28:**

### **Fax Machines**

**Facsimile technology shall not be used for transmitting documents containing personal data.**



## **Section 29:**

### **Post Mail usage policy**

**Organizational, physical and technical measures should be adopted in transmitting documents or media containing personal data by mail or post.**

## **Section 31:**

### **Disposal Policy**

**Procedures must be established regarding secure disposal of personal data stored onsite (files and computer equipment) and offsite.**

## **Section 33:**

### **Data Breach Management**

**Establish data breach management procedures**



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