

Benefit check privacy policy

1. Introduction

- 1.1. We recognise the importance of protecting your privacy in respect of the personal information (as this phrase is defined in the ECT Act) collected by us when you use the Service. We will attempt to limit the types of personal information we collect to only that to which you consent and which is necessary for the purposes of providing you with access to the Service.
- 1.2. In adopting this Privacy Policy, we wish to balance our legitimate business interests and your reasonable expectation of privacy. Whilst no data transmission over the internet can be guaranteed to be 100% secure, we will take reasonable steps to ensure that the information you transmit to us using the Service will remain confidential and prevent unauthorised access to, or disclosure of, your personal information. However, we do not guarantee that your personal information shall be 100% secure.
- 1.3. Notwithstanding the above, you agree that your communications via the Service may be intercepted, as defined in the Regulation of Interception of Communications Act 70 of 2002 (as amended), by us or any other competent authority.

2. Your agreement in relation to your personal information

- 2.1. By continuing to use the Service, you agree:
 - 2.1.1 to the terms and conditions set out in this Privacy Policy. If you do not agree with this Privacy Policy, please do not continue to use the Service; and
 - 2.1.2 that we may "collect, collate, process and/or store" your personal information (as this phrase is used in the ECT Act) ("collect") for, amongst other things: (i) the purposes of providing you with access to the Service; and (ii) for any of the purposes listed at paragraph 5 below.
- 2.2. We reserve the right to vary the terms of this Privacy Policy. It is your responsibility to familiarise yourself with the most recent version of this Privacy Policy each time you access the Service.

3. What types of personal information do we collect?

The types of personal information that we may collect includes information necessary for our legitimate business interest and the categories of personal information identified in the ECT Act. This may include (amongst other things) your name and identity number, email and physical addresses, postal address, contact information and cellphone number.

4. When will we collect your personal information?

- 4.1. Personal information may be collected by us in several ways, including when:
 - 4.1.1 you register/sign up for the Service;
 - 4.1.2 you make use of the Service;
 - 4.1.3. we carry out demographic research; and
- 4.2. You acknowledge that all personal information collected by us may be stored by us and used for any of the purposes listed in these terms.
- 4.3. You acknowledge that third parties that have links on the Service may also collect your personal information. You agree that the information processing practices of those third parties are neither under our control nor regulated by this Privacy Policy.

5. How do we use your personal information

We may use your personal information: (i) to provide you with access to the Service, (ii) for security, administrative and legal purposes; (iii) for customer relations; and (iv) for helping us in any future dealings with you.

6. Sharing of your personal information

- 6.1. While we will attempt not to disclose any of your personal information to third parties, except when we have your permission or for purposes of our legitimate business interests, we do not guarantee that your personal information will not be shared with third parties without your permission.
- 6.2. You agree that your personal information may be shared with (amongst others) the following parties:
 - 6.2.1. our holding companies, subsidiary companies, agents, advisers, service providers and suppliers;
 - 6.2.2. any party involved in providing the Service;
 - 6.2.3. data processors;
 - 6.2.4. government and law enforcement agencies, where the law requires that we disclose your personal information to a party, and where we have reason to believe that a disclosure of personal information is necessary to identify, contact or bring legal action against a party who may be in breach of these Terms or may be causing injury to or interference with (either intentionally or unintentionally) our rights or property, other users or anyone else that could be harmed by such activities.

7. Use of cookies

- 7.1. Cookies are pieces of information a Website transfers to a visitor to the Website's hard drive for record-keeping purposes. Cookies make surfing the web easier for you by saving your preferences and, tracking your online habits, traffic patterns and making sure you do not see the same advertisement too often. The use of cookies is an industry standard.
- 7.2. We may place a "cookie" on your browser to store and sometimes track information about you.
- 7.3. While most browsers are initially set up to accept cookies, you can reset your browser to refuse all cookies or indicate when a cookie is being sent. Please note that some parts of the Service will not function properly if you refuse cookies.

8. Use of IP address

- 8.1. An IP address is a number that is automatically assigned to a computer whenever it is connected to the Internet. We log IP addresses or the location of computers on the Internet.
- 8.2. We collect IP addresses for the purposes of system administration and to audit the use of the Service. We do not ordinarily link IP addresses to personal information, which means that your session may remain anonymous. However, we cannot guarantee that this will always be the case, as it may be necessary to identify a particular visitor to the Service when it is necessary to enforce compliance with the Terms or to protect the Service, third parties or other interests.

9. Links to other sites

When you are using the Service, you could be directed to other sites that are beyond our control. These other websites may send their own cookies to you, collect data or solicit personal information. We do not control the privacy policies of those third party websites.

10. Email

You agree that we may periodically send emails to you about materials, services, products or promotions offered by us and our advertisers to the email address provided by you.