

Primary Data Protection Laws in the European Union and the EFTA

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1. Data Protection Act 2000

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12. Data Protection Act (Act LXIII of 1992)

23. Act No. 428/2002 on Protection of Personal Data

22. Personal Data Protection Law - Law No. 677/2001

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26. Personal Data Act (1998:204)

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16. Law on Legal Protection of Personal Data

20. Act on the Protection of Personal Data

5. Personal Data Protection Act

Directives

1. **General Directive**
Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 1995 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data
2. **Directive on Privacy and Electronic Communications**
Directive 2002/58/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 July 2002 concerning the processing of personal data and the protection of privacy in the electronic communications sector
3. **Data Retention Directive**
Directive 2006/24/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2006 on the retention of data generated or processed in connection with the provision of publicly available electronic communications services or of public communications networks and amending Directive 2002/58/EC

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1. **AUSTRIA:** Federal Act Concerning the Protection of Personal Data (Datenschutzgesetz 2000 – DSGVO 2000)
2. **BELGIUM:** Law of December 8 1992 on the protection of privacy in relation to the processing of personal data
3. **BULGARIA:** Law for Protection of Personal Data
4. **CYPRUS:** The Processing of Personal Data (Protection of Individuals) Law 138 (I) 2001
5. **CZECH REPUBLIC:** Act 101 of April 4, 2000 on the Protection of Personal Data
6. **DENMARK:** The Act on Processing of Personal Data
7. **ESTONIA:** Personal Data Protection Act
8. **FINLAND:** Personal Data Act (523/1999)
9. **FRANCE:** Act n° 78-17 of 6 January 1978 on Data Processing, Data Files and Individual Liberties
10. **GERMANY:** Federal Data Protection Act
11. **GREECE:** Law 2472/1997 on the Protection of Individuals with regard to the Processing of Personal Data
12. **HUNGARY:** Act LXIII of 1992 on the Protection of Personal Data and Public Access to Data of Public Interest
13. **IRELAND:** An Act to give effect to the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data done at Strasbourg on the 28th Day of January, 1981, and for that purpose to regulate in accordance with its provisions the collection, processing, keeping, use and disclosure of certain information relating to individuals that is processed automatically. [1988 Act]
An Act to give effect to Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 1995 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, for that purpose to amend the Data Protection Act, 1988, and to Provide for related matters. [2003 Act]
14. **ITALY:** Personal Data Protection Code – Legislative decree n° 196 of 30 June 2003
15. **LATVIA:** Personal Data Protection Law
16. **LITHUANIA:** Law on Legal Protection of Personal Data
17. **LUXEMBOURG:** Law of 2 August 2002 on the Protection of Persons with regard to the Processing of Personal Data
18. **MALTA:** Data Protection Act (CAP 440)
19. **NETHERLANDS:** Personal Data Protection Act
20. **POLAND:** Act of 29 August 1997 on the Protection of Personal Data
21. **PORTUGAL:** Act 67/98 of 26 October – Act on the Protection of Personal Data (transposing into the Portuguese legal system Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 1995 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data)
22. **ROMANIA:** Law No. 677/2001 on the Protection of Individuals with Regard to the Processing of Personal Data and the Free Movement of Such Data
23. **SLOVAKIA:** Act No. 428/2002 Coll. on Protection of Personal Data
24. **SLOVENIA:** Personal Data Protection Act
25. **SPAIN:** ORGANIC LAW 15/1999 of 13 December on the Protection of Personal Data
26. **SWEDEN:** Personal Data Act (1998:204)
27. **U.K.:** Data Protection Act 1998

EFTA

1. **ICELAND:** Act on the Protection of Privacy as regards the Processing of Personal Data, No. 77/2000 of May 10, 2000
2. **LIECHTENSTEIN:** Data Protection Act of 14 March 2002
3. **NORWAY:** Act of 14 April 2000 No. 31 relating to the processing of personal data (Personal Data Act)
4. **SWITZERLAND:** Federal Act on Data Protection (FADP) of 19 June 1992

