

POPIA — Protection of Personal Information Act (POPI Act)

This is a synopsis of POPIA (or the POPI Act) as enacted by the South African Parliament.

The English text was signed by the President.

We disclaim all liability.

The commencement date of POPIA It was 1 July 2020 and the one-year grace period to comply ended on 30 June 2021.

Parliament assented to POPIA on 19 November 2013.

The commencement date of section 1, Part A of Chapter 5, sections 112 and 113 was 11 April 2014.

The commencement date of the other sections was 1 July 2020 (with the exception of sections 110 and 114(4)).

The President of South Africa has proclaimed the POPI commencement date to be 1 July 2020.

Topics related to the POPI Act include:

- POPIA regulations
- Application and commencement
- Unique to South Africa
- Access to information
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- Big data
- Breach notification
- Children
- Code of conduct
- Consent
- Contract
- Cookies
- Data subject rights
- Direct marketing
- Information officer
- Information regulator
- Managing operator relationships
- Mapping activities
- Media
- Obligations
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- Opt out
- Personal Information
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- POPI Act
- POPIA
- Purpose
- Quick wins
- Reasonably practicable
- Records management
- Records of processing activities
- Research
- Responsible party
- Right to be forgotten
- Risks of non-compliance
- Securing information
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