

# Data Protection: What you should know about it?

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## Topics to be covered:

- 1- The definition of data protection
- 2- Main principles of data protection
- 3- Examples of data protection
- 4- The concept of GDPR
- 5- Challenges of data protection law in Tunisia





## What is data protection?

It refers to the practices, safeguards, and binding rules put in place to protect your personal information and ensure that you remain in control of it.

In short, you should be able to decide whether or not you want to share some information, who has access to it, for how long, and for what reason, and to be able to modify some of this information, and more.

In the EU, these rules are defined under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

#### What is personal Data?

Any information relating to you (identified or identifiable natural person) whether it relates to your private, professional, or public life, such as

- Name
- Identification number
- Location data
- Online identifier (IP address)
- Factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person.

#### **Special category data:**

Also called 'Sensitive Personal Data' which is subject to **greater controls around processing**; it refers to data regarding:

- racial or ethnic origin,
- political opinions,
- religious or philosophical beliefs, or trade union membership,
- genetic data,
- biometric data (for the purpose of identifying a natural person),
- data concerning health or
- data concerning a natural person's sex life or sexual orientation.



## **Personal Data**

Work History

HR file CV

**Application Form** 

Education

Swipe access

Disciplinaries

Grievances

Email Diary

Checks

Performance

**ANPR** 

References

ID details

Internet Netflix choices

You tube

Fridge

Smart devices

Behaviour

Cookies

Tracking

Contacts

Communications

Location Data

Social Media

CCTV

IP addresses

Email

License plate

ANPR

Cameras

Black box

Flight Details

Hotels

Destinations

Tours

Rail travel

Shopping

Credit worthiness

Taxes

Bank details

Savings

Mortgage

Loans

Credit card

Debit cards

Store cards

Loyalty cards

CCJ

Bankruptcy

Date of birth

Political opinions

Biometric Data

Your audio

Your photograph

Contact Details

Sexual Orientation

Social Services

**Passport** 

Visa

Religious Beliefs

Your video

TU membership

Criminal convictions

Ethnicity

**Opinions** Health

Name



Dental

Eyesight Chiropractor

Therapy

Welfare

Disability

DNA

Blood Type

Fitness

Drug tests

Family Heath History

Prescriptions

Dietary

Care Data

Mental









## Main principles of data protection:

- 1. **Purpose limitation** All data should be collected and used only <u>for purposes</u> that were declared by the company, a government body, or an organisation.
- **2. Retention** Personal data should be stored only during <u>the</u> <u>period necessary</u> for purposes processing.
- **3. Data minimisation** You have no right to collect more data than you need to process.
- **4. Integrity and confidentiality** Personal data must be kept securely.
- Accuracy Personal data must be <u>accurate</u>, kept <u>up to</u> <u>date</u>, and <u>Inaccurate</u> personal data should be <u>corrected</u> or <u>deleted</u>.
- **6.** Lawfulness, fairness and transparency Personal data must be processed <u>lawfully</u>, <u>fairly</u> and in a <u>transparent</u> manner.

### **Examples of data protection:**

#### Grocery stores or supermarkets:

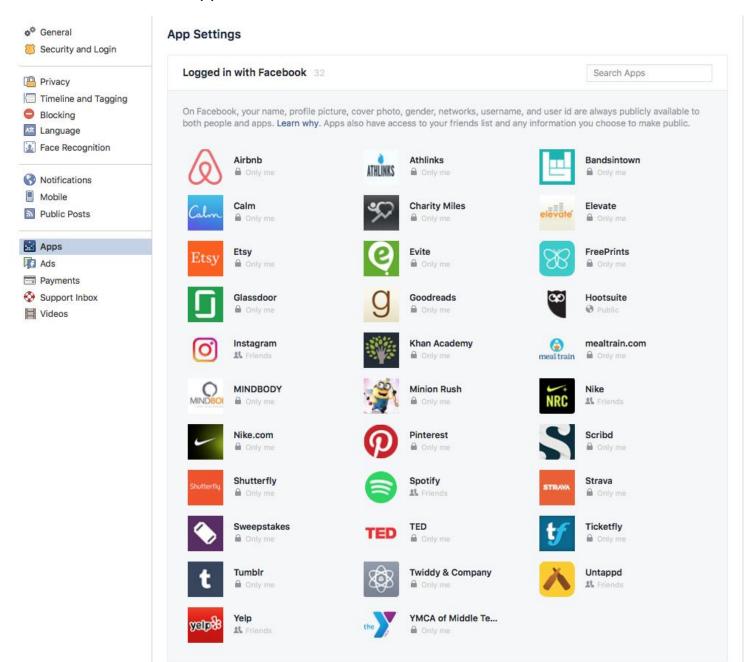
Have you ever received an sms (sales, advertisement, etc..) right after leaving the store? Or after a couple of days?

Whenever you leave your number, name, e-mail or any personal data, your personal data will not be protected anymore, and the store might use for its interest!

- Social Media platforms: Facebook, Twitter, Linkedin, Google Instagram and others
  - It doesn't really matter if you use social media platform occasionally.
  - The collecting and giving away of personal data starts when you <u>sign</u> up for these social network, it continues as users add <u>third-party apps</u> such as games, educational apps etc...

- > In Facebook, for example, the stored data are:
- Every ad users click on
- Any additional personal <u>information added to the profile</u> including: schools, maiden name, hometown ,employment, etc..
- Every <u>IP address</u> that the user used when logging into the Facebook account
- Every <u>friend</u> in the network, including friends that have been deleted
- All of the <u>user's activity</u>—ever.
- What does the third-party app do with my data?
  - The app **sells** the data to someone else. Ex: Cambridge Analytica (the data firm that worked for Trump's campaign)
  - Or they sell it illegally on dark web for few dollars!

#### Applications connected to Facebook



- In 2016, <u>3 billion</u> Yahoo accounts were hacked in one of the biggest breaches of all time. (Oath.com)
- In 2016, Uber reported that hackers stole the information of over <u>57 million</u> riders and drivers. (Uber)
- At least <u>87 million</u> records breached on <u>Facebook</u> (though likely many more) users to find out if their personal data was breached (abc news)

#### How can I protect myself?

- Get rid of all those third-party apps
- Turn off location data
- 3. Be more in control of your privacy (Nobody really knows where your information goes once you click, "Like,")

## What is GDPR?

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) is a new set of rules designed to give EU citizens more control over their personal data. On 25 May, 2018 GDPR came into force in all 28 Member States of the EU.

- It aims to simplify the regulatory environment for business, so both citizens and businesses fully benefit from the digital economy.
- It applies to:
  - Any organisation operating within the EU, as well as any organisations outside of the EU which offer goods or services to customers or businesses in the EU.
  - Citizens of the European Union or to individuals located in the EU, no matter where they are from.
  - Private companies such as Facebook, Microsoft, Dropbox, Amazon, or Spotify and government bodies.

- Not only will organisations have to ensure that personal data is gathered legally and under strict conditions, but those <u>who collect and manage</u> it will be obliged to protect it from misuse and exploitation - or face penalties for not doing so.
- GDPR is also set to bring a clarified <u>'right to be forgotten' process</u>, which provides additional rights and freedoms to people who no longer want their personal data processed to have it deleted, providing there's no grounds for retaining it.



#### **Data Protection Officer?**

Mission of DPO:

Safeguard the privacy rights of all individuals with regard to the processing of their personal data.

A significant aspect of complying with the GDPR is **demonstrating compliance** – making it evident to the Supervisory Authority (ICO) that the organisation is meeting its obligations.

There are **three key ways** in which organisations can demonstrate that they are compliant with the GDPR:



Data Protection Impact Assessment



Data Protection Officer



**Codes of Conduct** 

## Tunisia and data protection law

- On March 1, 2018, the Tunisian Council of Ministers approved data protection law, in Tunisia.
- The draft law violates the principles of transparency and access to information guaranteed by the Tunisian Constitution (Chapter 32); the definition of personal data did not distinguish between private and public life.
- A conflict and ongoing argument between the two authorities that work under the Data Protection Law; Access to information authority - (access to public info and data) and Data protection authority - (protecting personal data of individuals).

• The access to information authority was not consulted in editing the draft law, which violates Article 38 of Act No. 22 of 2016 on access to information.

 Civil society was not consulted in the drafting Data Protection Law, and their role was limited to submitting written reports.

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