

# Individual privacy policy

Role and composition of the Committee on Access to Information and Privacy

## 1. POLICY OBJECTIVE

This policy reflects W8banaki's commitment to information security and the protection of personal and confidential information.

The Privacy Policy sets out how W8banaki protects personal or confidential information and outlines the standards for collection, use, communication, conservation, right of access and rectification. It also defines the role and composition of W8banaki's Committee on Access to Information and Privacy.

### 2. POLICY ORIENTATIONS

## 2.1. Protection of personal and confidential information

W8banaki considers the protection of privacy and of the personal and confidential information it collects and retains to be of paramount importance, and is committed to compliance with the provisions, values and fundamental principles established by applicable legislation. W8banaki ensures implementation of the measures necessary to guarantee transparency and respect for the confidentiality of the information provided when services are requested.

## 2.2 Information security

W8banaki is committed to implementing a range of technological, organizational, human, legal and ethical measures to ensure the security of information, notably:

- Information availability, where information is accessible in a timely manner, as required by authorized individuals;

- Information integrity, where information is not destroyed or altered in any way without authorization, in accordance with W8banaki's retention schedule, and the medium bearing such information provides the desired stability and sustainability;
- Information confidentiality, where disclosure of information is limited only to authorized individuals;
- Identification and authentication to confirm, when required, the identity of an individual or the identification of a document or device;
- Irrevocability to ensure that an action, exchange or document is clearly and undeniably attributed to the entity that generated it;
- Compliance with legal, regulatory or business requirements to which W8banaki is subject.

### 3. DEFINITIONS

### 3.1. Personal information

Any information that involves an individual and can identify him/her, subject to any exceptions provided by applicable laws. Such information may be of a personal nature, such as the individual's address, phone number, health status, lifestyle, or financial situation.

## 3.2 Confidential information

Any information that involves a building or corporate body and relates to information that its author or owner deems confidential due to its financial, commercial, or strategic nature, unless applicable laws in the public sector provide, by way of exception, that such information held by W8banaki is public.

## 3.3 Information security

Protection resulting from all security measures that are implemented to ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the information that W8banaki holds based on the sensitivity and value of such information, the risks to which it is exposed, and the obligations to which it is subject.

# 4. CONSENT, COLLECTION AND RETENTION OF PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

## 4.1. Consent and collection method

W8banaki collects information in a fully transparent manner with the free and informed consent of users and only in cases where the information collected is required to provide a desired service.

In accordance with applicable laws, when W8banaki collects personal and confidential information, it clearly indicates the purposes for which the information is being collected and requests the user's consent to use such information. W8banaki must obtain consent again to use previously collected information for another purpose.

Certain services or activities provided by W8banaki may concern minors. In such cases, personal information is collected with the consent of the child's parent or guardian. Information is collected primarily through forms, website, telephone conversations, opinion surveys and questionnaires.

### 4.2 Collected information

Depending on the service provided, W8banaki may collect and retain any of the following information: full name, mailing address, e-mail address, telephone numbers, fax number, credit card number, Indian status card number, hunter's license number, student identification number, driver's license number, social insurance number, health insurance number, and date of birth.

# 4.3 Collection of technical information during use of the website or online services

W8banaki collects technical information such as IP addresses, pages visited, requests, dates and times of connection, type of Web browser or computer system used, or the names of website domains used to link up to the gcnwa.com site.

When Web users use online services or visit the gcnwa.com website, W8banaki or its agent may also store certain information on their computers in the form of cookies or similar files. Cookies help retain certain information on use of the website or an online service. By targeting the interests and preferences of Web users, cookies enable W8banaki to improve its service delivery and the client experience. Cookies may be required to meet the technological or security requirements of Web browsing or to enable an online service to run properly.

## 4.4 Purpose of collecting information

When W8banaki collects and retains personal and confidential information, its objective is to offer users secure, personalized service in accordance with applicable laws and its security rules.

- W8banaki uses the personal, confidential or technical information that it collects for the following purposes: verify user identity;
- Ensure that users and W8banaki are protected against fraud and false statements;
- Provide personalized service delivery;
- Determine eligibility for services offered by W8banaki;
- Monitor requests for services made to W8banaki and its agents;
- Provide information to members on services and programs in effect;
- Compile statistics;
- Improve available services.

# 5. RIGHT OF RECTIFICATION, WITHDRAWAL AND DESTRUCTION

A member of Odanak or Wôlinak may request to have their information corrected, destroyed or no longer used for the purposes for which it was collected. To do this, they must contact the department involved.

In accordance with the *Privacy Act -* R.S.C. 1985, c. P-21 and the *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act* (PIPEDA), information is retained for the period provided for on W8banaki's retention schedule and classification plan and subsequently destroyed.

In accordance with applicable laws, W8banaki undertakes to comply with any request to withdraw, rectify, or destroy information, subject to legal obligations to the contrary.

#### 6. INFORMATION SECURITY

W8banaki uses information technology extensively to support its business processes in order to offer service delivery consistent with its service statement. All collected personal and confidential information is retained in a secure environment. Staff and agents are required to respect the confidentiality of information.

W8banaki implements appropriate, useful and necessary security and access management measures based on the sensitivity of the information processed. Only individuals who require access to personal and confidential information to perform their duties can access this information.

W8banaki integrates technological innovations to ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of transactions and information in its various modes of service delivery.

#### 7. W8BANAKI ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

W8banaki is responsible for personal information collected, retained, used, disclosed and destroyed in the course of carrying out its mission. W8banaki will continue to develop policies and practices to ensure that member information is handled in strict compliance with the *Privacy Act*. W8banaki's Executive Management is responsible for overseeing the application of these policies and practices to ensure compliance, namely by:

- Providing the same training to all W8banaki personnel;
- Ensuring open, complete and timely communication with employees and others about W8banaki's policies, practices and expectations regarding the handling of personal information;
- Ensuring that the Committee on Access to Information and Privacy is operational;
- Establishing standards for classifying the sensitivity of personal information to determine the appropriate level of protection for that information;
- Working with W8banaki's digital information security agent to ensure that
  personal information is protected from loss and from inappropriate access, use,
  disclosure or destruction;
  - o Implementing systems that ensure that only employees whose duties require access to personal information are authorized to have access to that information:
- Ensuring that procedures are established for members to request access to and correction of their personal information and to address complaints about the management of their personal information;
- Ensuring that procedures are established to notify members of any inappropriate collection, retention, use, disclosure or destruction of their personal information;
- Monitoring compliance with this policy and, if necessary, taking action to correct any deficiencies.

Employees — Staff members who collect personal information on behalf of W8banaki shall be required to explain the purpose for which the information is collected. If they are unable to do so, they shall be required to refer the member to another employee who can explain the purpose of the collection. It is the responsibility of each W8banaki employee to ascertain their obligations under this Policy and the *Privacy Act*. Employees must report any violations of the Policy or the *Act* to their immediate supervisor or to W8banaki

Executive Management. Under no circumstances shall employees disclose information to third parties without the consent of the individual concerned.

**Directors** – In addition to the above responsibilities, directors shall inform their employees of the requirement to comply with the Policy and the *Act*. They shall also review or investigate any matter brought to their attention regarding the Policy or the *Act*. Where appropriate, Directors should notify, work with or refer issues to the Assistant General Manager - Human Resources Manager or W8banaki's Digital Information Security Agent.

Executive management — W8banaki's Executive Management shall provide advice and guidance to directors and employees with respect to W8banaki's handling of personal information. It shall also serve as the first point of contact for individuals seeking information or having concerns about W8banaki's handling of their personal information.

Violation of this policy, whether intentional or through negligence, may result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal or termination of association with W8banaki.

Legal sanctions may also be taken, if necessary.

## 8. WÔLINAK AND ODANAK MEMBER RESPONSABILITIES

- 8.1. Members are responsible for the information that they provide to W8banaki and for maintaining the confidentiality of their identification and authentication information (user codes, access codes, passwords, access cards, etc.). W8banaki may not be held liable for unauthorized use caused by members.
- 8.2. Members must also ensure that the system or equipment they use to transmit or receive information from W8banaki is sufficiently secure, and must exercise vigilance. W8banaki may not be held liable for unauthorized access to information resulting from negligence or vulnerabilities present in the equipment or systems of members.
- 8.3. In the event that the confidentiality of their information becomes compromised or their identities are stolen, members must notify W8banaki as soon as possible by contacting the department involved.
- 8.4. It is not the practice of W8banaki to solicit members, by e-mail or otherwise, for personal or confidential information.

#### 9. RESTRICTIONS ON ACCESS TO SERVICES

W8banaki reserves the right to terminate a user's account at any time, at its sole discretion and without notice. W8banaki also reserves the right to restrict a user's access to the applications offered by W8banaki, in whole or in part. W8banaki shall not be liable for any such suspension, cancellation or restriction.

#### 10.INCIDENT REPORTS

W8banaki undertakes to inform members of incidents that affect the protection of personal information.

### 11. LINKS WITH OTHER SITES

The W8banaki website contains hyperlinks to other sites. Information exchanged on such sites is not subject to this privacy and security policy, but is subject to the policies of external sites.

W8banaki is not responsible for the content of such sites and does not endorse them. W8banaki may not be held liable for any damage of any nature whatsoever that results from the navigation or use of such sites.

#### 12.EMPLOYEES IN CHARGE OF POLICY ENFORCEMENT

W8banaki Executive Management is responsible for ensuring compliance with the privacy and confidentiality component of the policy.

The W8banaki agent in charge of digital information security is responsible for ensuring compliance with the policy component regarding the security of digital information.

# 13. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, COMMENTS OR COMPLAINTS

For questions, comments or complaints about this policy or its application, members may contact the appropriate W8banaki sector.

If a member is not satisfied with the response, they may contact in writing W8banaki Executive Management:

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