



PAIA MANUAL

The Work Expert Pty Ltd

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1. LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

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| 1.1 | “DIO” | Deputy Information Officer; |
| 1.2 | “IO” | Information Officer; |
| 1.3 | “Minister” | Minister of Justice and Correctional Services; |
| 1.4 | “PAIA” | Promotion of Access to Information Act No. 2 of 2000 (as Amended); |
| 1.5 | “POPIA” | Protection of Personal Information Act No.4 of 2013; |
| 1.6 | “Regulator” | Information Regulator; and |
| 1.7 | “Republic” | Republic of South Africa |

2. PURPOSE OF PAIA MANUAL

This PAIA Manual is useful for the public to -

- 2.1 check the categories of records held by a body which are available without a person having to submit a formal PAIA request;
- 2.2 have a sufficient understanding of how to make a request for access to a record of the body, by providing a description of the subjects on which the body holds records and the categories of records held on each subject;
- 2.3 know the description of the records of the body which are available in accordance with any other legislation;
- 2.4 access all the relevant contact details of the Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer who will assist the public with the records they intend to access;

- 2.5 know the description of the guide on how to use PAIA, as updated by the Regulator and how to obtain access to it;
- 2.6 know if the body will process personal information, the purpose of processing of personal information and the description of the categories of data subjects and of the information or categories of information relating thereto;
- 2.7 know the description of the categories of data subjects and of the information or categories of information relating thereto;
- 2.8 know the recipients or categories of recipients to whom the personal information may be supplied;
- 2.9 know if the body has planned to transfer or process personal information outside the Republic of South Africa and the recipients or categories of recipients to whom the personal information may be supplied; and
- 2.10 know whether the body has appropriate security measures to ensure the confidentiality, integrity and availability of the personal information which is to be processed.

3. KEY CONTACT DETAILS FOR ACCESS TO INFORMATION OF THE WORK EXPERT PTY LTD

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4. GUIDE ON HOW TO USE PAIA AND HOW TO OBTAIN ACCESS TO THE GUIDE

4.1. The Regulator has, in terms of section 10(1) of PAIA, as amended, updated and made available the revised Guide on how to use PAIA ("Guide"), in an easily comprehensible form and manner, as may reasonably be required by a person who wishes to exercise any right contemplated in PAIA and POPIA.

4.2. The Guide is available in each of the official languages and in braille.

4.3. The aforesaid Guide contains the description of-

- 4.3.1. the objects of PAIA and POPIA;
- 4.3.2. the postal and street address, phone and fax number and, if available, electronic mail address of –
 - 4.3.2.1. the Information Officer of every public body, and
 - 4.3.2.2. every Deputy Information Officer of every public and private body designated in terms of section 17(1) of PAIA¹ and section 56 of POPIA²;
- 4.3.3. the manner and form of a request for-
 - 4.3.3.1. access to a record of a public body contemplated in section 11³; and
 - 4.3.3.2. access to a record of a private body contemplated in section 50⁴;
- 4.3.4. the assistance available from the IO of a public body in terms of PAIA and POPIA;
- 4.3.5. the assistance available from the Regulator in terms of PAIA and POPIA;
- 4.3.6. all remedies in law available regarding an act or failure to act in respect of a right or duty conferred or imposed by PAIA and POPIA, including the manner of lodging-

¹ Section 17(1) of PAIA- *For the purposes of PAIA, each public body must, subject to legislation governing the employment of personnel of the public body concerned, designate such number of persons as deputy information officers as are necessary to render the public body as accessible as reasonably possible for requesters of its records.*

² Section 56(a) of POPIA- *Each public and private body must make provision, in the manner prescribed in section 17 of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, with the necessary changes, for the designation of such a number of persons, if any, as deputy information officers as is necessary to perform the duties and responsibilities as set out in section 55(1) of POPIA.*

³ Section 11(1) of PAIA- *A requester must be given access to a record of a public body if that requester complies with all the procedural requirements in PAIA relating to a request for access to that record; and access to that record is not refused in terms of any ground for refusal contemplated in Chapter 4 of this Part.*

⁴ Section 50(1) of PAIA- *A requester must be given access to any record of a private body if-*

- a) *that record is required for the exercise or protection of any rights;*
- b) *that person complies with the procedural requirements in PAIA relating to a request for access to that record; and*
- c) *access to that record is not refused in terms of any ground for refusal contemplated in Chapter 4 of this Part.*

- 4.3.6.1. an internal appeal;
- 4.3.6.2. a complaint to the Regulator; and
- 4.3.6.3. an application with a court against a decision by the information officer of a public body, a decision on internal appeal or a decision by the Regulator or a decision of the head of a private body;
- 4.3.7. the provisions of sections 14⁵ and 51⁶ requiring a public body and private body, respectively, to compile a manual, and how to obtain access to a manual;
- 4.3.8. the provisions of sections 15⁷ and 52⁸ providing for the voluntary disclosure of categories of records by a public body and private body, respectively;
- 4.3.9. the notices issued in terms of sections 22⁹ and 54¹⁰ regarding fees to be paid in relation to requests for access; and
- 4.3.10. the regulations made in terms of section 92¹¹.

⁵ Section 14(1) of PAIA- The information officer of a public body must, in at least three official languages, make available a manual containing information listed in paragraph 4 above.

⁶ Section 51(1) of PAIA- The head of a private body must make available a manual containing the description of the information listed in paragraph 4 above.

⁷ Section 15(1) of PAIA- The information officer of a public body, must make available in the prescribed manner a description of the categories of records of the public body that are automatically available without a person having to request access

⁸ Section 52(1) of PAIA- The head of a private body may, on a voluntary basis, make available in the prescribed manner a description of the categories of records of the private body that are automatically available without a person having to request access

⁹ Section 22(1) of PAIA- The information officer of a public body to whom a request for access is made, must by notice require the requester to pay the prescribed request fee (if any), before further processing the request.

¹⁰ Section 54(1) of PAIA- The head of a private body to whom a request for access is made must by notice require the requester to pay the prescribed request fee (if any), before further processing the request.

¹¹ Section 92(1) of PAIA provides that -“The Minister may, by notice in the Gazette, make regulations regarding-

- (a) any matter which is required or permitted by this Act to be prescribed;
- (b) any matter relating to the fees contemplated in sections 22 and 54;
- (c) any notice required by this Act;
- (d) uniform criteria to be applied by the information officer of a public body when deciding which categories of records are to be made available in terms of section 15; and
- (e) any administrative or procedural matter necessary to give effect to the provisions of this Act.”

4.4. Members of the public can inspect or make copies of the Guide from the offices of the public and private bodies, including the office of the Regulator, during normal working hours.

4.5. The Guide can also be obtained-

4.5.1. upon request to the Information Officer;

4.5.2. from the website of the Regulator (<https://www.inforegulator.org.za>).

4.6 A copy of the Guide is also available for public inspection during normal office hours.

5. RECORDS

COMPANY RELATED DOCUMENTS

Documents related to the establishment of the company, such as documents required in terms of the Companies Act 71 of 2008 / / a shareholders' agreement; other statutory records; governance documents, and other related documents.

EMPLOYMENT RECORDS

Employment contracts; statutory council registration and related records; conditions of employment and workplace policies etc.

FINANCIAL RECORDS

South African Revenue Services ("SARS") registration; Annual Financial Statements; auditor's reports; accounting records, VAT records; tax returns and related documentation.

AGREEMENTS

Agreements (and related documentation) with Licensees, consultants, suppliers etc.

INSURANCE RECORDS

Insurance policies and related records.

STATUTORY RECORDS

At present these include records (if any) held in terms of:

- Basic Conditions of Employment 75 of 1997
- Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Health Diseases Act 130 of 1993
- Consumer Protection Act 68 of 2008
- Employment Equity Act 55 of 1998
- Income Tax Act 95 of 1967
- Intellectual Property Laws Amendments Act 38 of 1997
- Labour Relations Act 66 of 1995
- Occupational Health & Safety Act 85 of 1993
- Promotion of Access to Information Act 2 of 2000
- Health Professions Act No. 56 of 1974
- Unemployment Contributions Act 4 of 2002
- Unemployment Insurance Act 63 of 2001
- Value Added Tax Act 89 of 1991

6. INFORMATION REQUEST PROCEDURE

- The requester must use the prescribed form to make the request for access to a record. A request form is available from our offices.
- The request must be made to the Head of Business named in Section 2 above. This request must be made to the address, fax number or electronic mail address of the business.
- The requester must provide sufficient detail on the request form to enable the Head of Business to identify the record and the requester. The requester should also indicate which form of access is required. The requester should also indicate if any other manner should be used to inform the requester. If this is the case, please furnish the necessary particulars to be so informed.

- The requester must identify the right that is sought to be exercised or to be protected and must provide an explanation of why the requested record is required for the exercise or protection of that right.
- If a request is made on behalf of another person, the requester must submit proof of the capacity in which the requester is making the request to the satisfaction of Head of Business aforesaid.
- The prescribed request fee must be attached.

We will respond to your request within 30 days of receiving the request by indicating whether your request for access has been granted or denied.

Please note that the successful completion and submission of a request for access form does not automatically allow the requestor access to the requested record.

Access will be granted to a record only if the following criteria are fulfilled:

- The record is required for the exercise or protection of any right; and
- The requestor complies with the procedural requirements set out in the Act relating to a request; and
- Access to the record is not refused in terms of any ground for refusal as contemplated in Chapter 4 of Part 3 of the Act.

7. DENIAL OF ACCESS

Access to any record may be refused under certain limited circumstances. These include:

- The protection of personal information from unreasonable disclosure concerning any natural person;
- The protection of commercial information held concerning any third party (for example trade secrets);
- The protection of financial, commercial, scientific or technical information that may harm the commercial or financial interests of any third party;
- Disclosures that would result in a breach of a duty of confidence owed to a third party;
- Disclosures that would jeopardize the safety or life of an individual;
- Disclosures that would prejudice or impair the security of property or means of transport;

- Disclosures that would prejudice or impair the protection of a person in accordance with a witness protection scheme;
- Disclosures that would prejudice or impair the protection of the safety of the public;
- Disclosures that are privileged from production in legal proceedings unless the privilege has been waived;
- Disclosures of details of any computer programme;
- Disclosures that will put The Work Expert Pty Ltd at a disadvantage in contractual or other negotiations

8. AVAILABILITY OF THE MANUAL

8.1. A copy of the Manual is available -

8.1.1. on www.theworkexpert.co.za;

8.1.2. office of The Work Expert for public inspection during normal business hours;

8.1.3. to any person upon request and upon the payment of a reasonable prescribed fee; and

8.1.4. to the Information Regulator upon request.

8.2. A fee for a copy of the Manual, as contemplated in annexure B of the Regulations, shall be payable per each A4-size photocopy made.

9. UPDATING OF THE MANUAL

The head of The Work Expert Pty Ltd. will on a regular basis update this manual.