



Cyber Security Summit 2025

Al and the Next Chapter in Privacy Protection

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2025 APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting

The Gyeongju Declaration recognsied the rapid advancement of Al







Background

Al security has become a common theme

M International collaborations



Nov 2023



Mar 2024

28 countries, including China, EU and the US, signed the Bletchley **Declaration**

United Nations General Assembly

Nations adopted its first international resolution on AI, encouraging the promotion of "safe, secure and trustworthy" Al systems



Feb 2025

AI ACTION Around 60 countries and international organisations, including China, signed "Statement on Inclusive and **Sustainable Artificial Intelligence for** People and the Planet"

Al Security: an important aspect of national security in China

2023 "Global AI Governance Initiative"

Proposed principles such as "people-centred, AI for good"

2024 "AI Safety Governance Framework"

Set out comprehensive governance measures and technical measures to guard against various risks posed by AI, including privacy risks

2025 "Global AI Governance **Action Plan**"

Called for "advancing the governance of AI safety" and "[improving] data security and personal information protection standards"





Global Regulatory Developments



Artificial Intelligence Act (Aug 2024)



The Basic Act on the Development of Artificial Intelligence and Establishment of Foundation for Trust (effective Jan 2026)



- Measures for Labelling Content Generated by Artificial Intelligence (effective Sep 2025)
- Global AI Governance Action Plan (Jul 2025)
- Al Safety Governance Framework (Sep 2024)
- Basic Security Requirements for Generative Artificial Intelligence Service (Feb 2024)
- Global AI Governance Initiative (Oct 2023)
- Interim Measures for the Management of Generative Artificial Intelligence Services (Aug 2023)
- Provisions on the Administration of Deep Synthesis of Internet-based Information Services (Jan 2023)
- Rules on the Management of Algorithmic Recommendations in Internet Information Services (Mar 2022)



- No comprehensive AI legislation
- Sectoral approach





Joint statement on building trustworthy data governance frameworks to encourage development of innovative and privacy-protective Al







International Collaboration

PCPD has collaborated with global counterparts in enhancing AI security

A Co-chair of "Ethics and Data Protection" in Artificial Intelligence Working Group" of Global Privacy Assembly

A Co-chair of "International Enforcement **Cooperation Working Group**" of Global Privacy Assembly

PCPD co-sponsored resolutions

For example:

- Meaningful Human Oversight **Decisions** Involving AI Systems (2025)
- Collection, Use and Disclosure of Personal Data to Pre-Train, Train and Fine-Tune Al Models (2025)

- international strengthen collaboration and address privacy challenges brought by AI
- In 2023 and 2024, PCPD, together with 11 and 15 privacy or data protection authorities worldwide, issued joint statements to social media platforms on data scrapping





Risks

The use of AI may pose multiple personal data privacy risks

	Risk	Explanation	Illustration
P	Data Breach	If users input personal data into AI chatbots, such data may be transferred to the service providers , posing a risk of data breaches	An employee at a Dutch clinic was found to have entered the highly sensitive medical data of patients into an AI chatbot without good reasons, violating the privacy rights of the patients
80	Excessive data collection	Al applications tend to collect and retain as much data as possible , which includes personal data	An AI developer reportedly scraped 300 billion words online for model training
	Use of data	Al developers may use personal data to train systems without the data subjects' knowledge or consent	A tech company trained AI models with records of 1.6 million patients without their prior consent or any "opt-out" option
\	Data accuracy Sources: AP; Fortune; ICO, BBC; CPO M	Even when AI systems contain outdated or inaccurate personal data, developers may be unable to correct or delete it	An AI chatbot repeatedly gave the wrong birth date for a public figure, and the developer noted they were unable to correct the output by amending the training data





Risks

Enterprises consider AI as posing privacy risks



Most enterprises consider the use of AI in operations poses significant privacy risks

Perception of privacy risks of use of Al in operations Hong Kong Enterprises, 2024



Source: PCPD & HKPC





Measures

Organisations have implemented AI-related risk-mitigating measures

(f) Enterprises using AI in operations (2024):







61% have a data breach response plan, with 16% addressing Al-related incidents





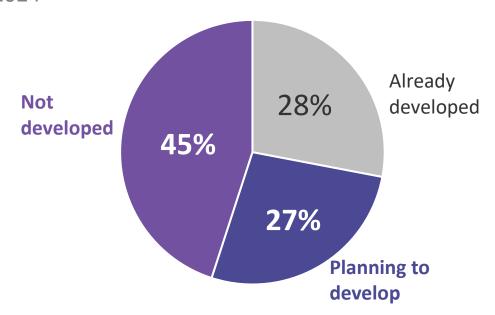
Enterprises' Readiness

Few enterprises formulate internal AI guidelines or offer training

1 Just around 30% of enterprises using Al have developed an Al security policy

Availability of an AI security policy

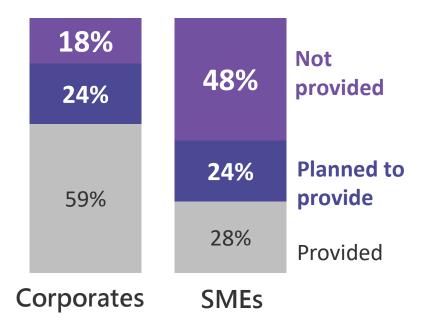
Hong Kong enterprises using AI in their operations, 2024



There is still room for increasing Al training, especially for SMEs

Provision of AI training to employees

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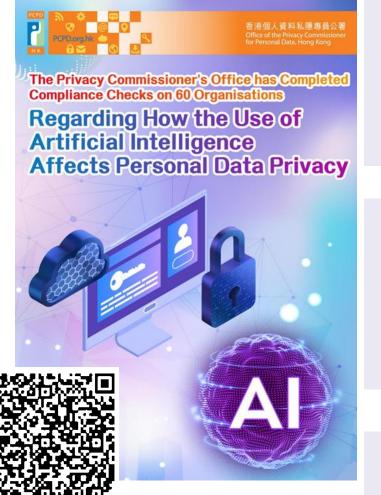




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Compliance Checks

PCPD conducted compliance checks on the use of AI from 2023 to 2025



Aug 2023 to Feb 2024 PCPD conducted compliance checks on 28 local organisations to understand these organisations' practices in relation to the collection, use and processing of personal data in the development or use of AI, as well as AI governance of these organisations

Feb to May 2025 PCPD began a new round of compliance checks, which covered 60 local organisations across a wider range of sectors. In addition to the scope of the first round of compliance checks, PCPD also examined the organisations' implementation of the recommendations and best practices provided in the Model Framework

Results

PCPD found no contravention of the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (PDPO) during both compliance check processes

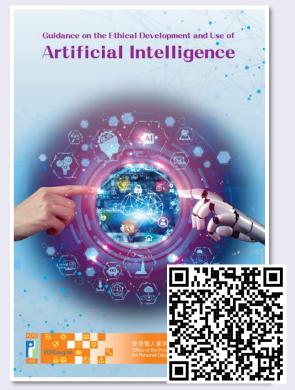




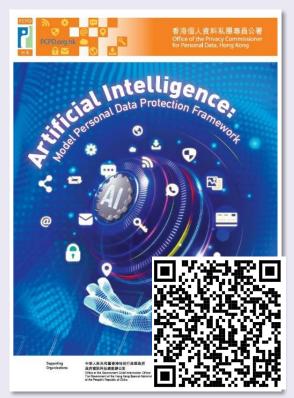
PCPD's Guidance

The PCPD has published different guidance in response to AI development

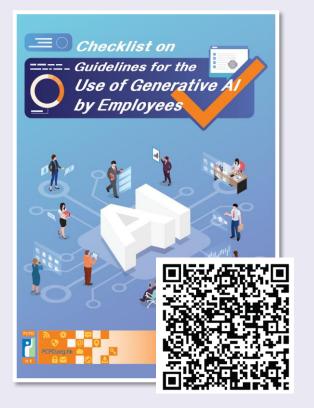
Organisations







Jun 2024



Mar 2025

Public



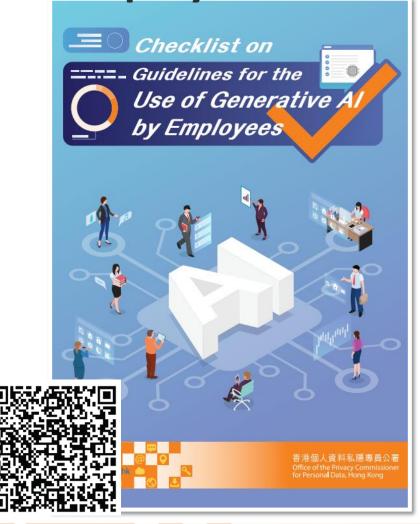
Sep 2023





Checklist on Guidelines for the Use of Generative AI by

Employees





To assist organisations in developing internal policies or guidelines on the use of Gen Al by employees at work while complying with the requirements of the **PDPO**





Presented the form of a checklist



As a matter of good practice, organisations should their devise own policies and guidelines in alignment with their values and mission





Recommended Coverage of Policies or Guidelines on the Use of Gen Al by Employees



Scope



Protection of personal data privacy



Lawful and ethical use and prevention of bias



Data security



Violations of policies or guidelines







Scope





Permitted tools

Specify the Gen Al tools and applications that are permitted within the organisation, for example:

- Publicly available Gen Al tools or applications
- Internally developed Gen Al tools or applications



Permissible use

Clearly specify the tasks or activities for which employees can use **Gen Al tools,** for example:

- Drafting
- Summarising information
- Creating textual, audio and/or visual content



Policy applicability

Specify if the policy applies to the **whole organisation**; **specific departments**; **specific ranks**; and/or **specific employees**







Protection of personal data privacy



Permissible types and amounts of input information

Provide clear instructions on:

- ✓ The types and amounts of information that can be inputted into the Gen AI tools
- **★** The types of information that cannot be inputted



Permissible storage of output information

Require that the information generated by Gen Al tools be stored according to the organisation's **information management policy** and deleted according to its **data retention policy**



Permissible use of output information

Provide clear instructions on the **permissible purposes** for using the information (including personal data) generated by Gen Al tools, and whether, when and how such personal data should be anonymised before further use



Compliance with other relevant internal policies

Ensure that the policy on the use of Gen Al is aligned with the organisation's other relevant internal policies







Lawful and ethical use and prevention of bias

Unlawful activities

Emphasise the importance of employees acting as human reviewers



Specify that employees shall not use Gen Al tools for unlawful or harmful activities



Accuracy and verification

Emphasise the need for employees to verify the information provided by Al



Prevention of bias and discrimination

Alert employees to the possibility that Algenerated output can be biased and discriminatory

Set out the correction and reporting mechanisms



Provide clear instructions on when and how Al-generated output should be watermarked or labelled





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Permitted devices



Specify the **devices** on which employees are permitted to **access Gen Al tools**

Permitted users



Specify the **permitted employees** of Gen Al tools

User credentials



Require employees to use unique and strong passwords along with multi-factor authentication

Security settings



Require employees to maintain stringent security settings

Response to Al incident and data breach incident

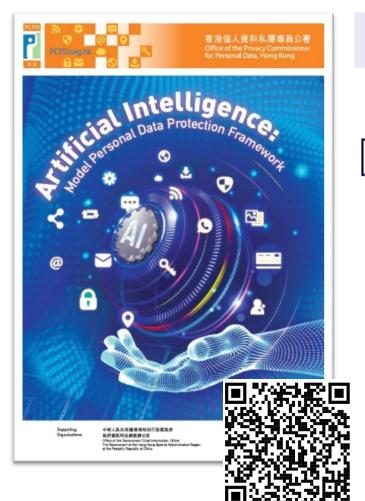


Require employees to report Al incidents according to the organisation's Al Incident Response Plan





Artificial Intelligence: Model Personal Data Protection Framework (Model Framework)

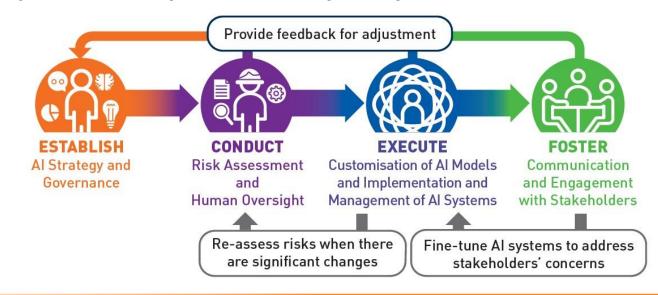




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Provide a set of recommendations on AI governance and best practices for organisations procuring, implementing and using any type of AI systems, including generative AI, that involve the protection of personal data privacy







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Award for Model Framework

GovMedia Conference & Awards 2025







PCPD has won the "Hong Kong Public Sector Initiative of the Year – Regulatory" award in the Asia Pacific GovMedia Conference & Awards 2025 for the Model Framework



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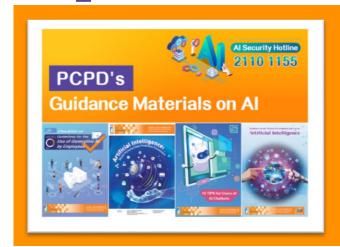


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