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Implementing Accountability – A Pragmatic Framework

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IMPLEMENTING ACCOUNTABILITY

A Pragmatic Framework

- ❖ **Key Concepts**
- ❖ **Free Framework to Implement Accountability in your Organization**
 1. **Baseline Your Privacy Management**
 2. **Plan Your Privacy Management**
 3. **Implement Your Privacy Management**

KEY OBJECTIVE:

Building Accountability through an Effective Privacy Program



ABOUT NYMITY

Nymity Research

- ❖ A global research company grounded in data privacy compliance research with a pragmatic approach
- ❖ Research includes the development of frameworks and methodologies
- ❖ Accountability is a cornerstone of Nymity's research

9 demonstrating accountability research studies since 2009 listed in preface of [Feedback Release 2013: Nymity Data Privacy Accountability Scorecard](#)

Nymity Solutions

- ❖ Compliance tools for the privacy office

Nymity makes its frameworks available to the global privacy community for free



Framework

Nymity Privacy Management Accountability Framework™


- 1. Maintain Governance Structure**
Provide clear roles and responsibilities for data privacy, accountable management, and management reporting processes.
- 2. Maintain Personal Data Inventory**
Monitor on a recurring basis the location of personal data storage in internal data flows from all related process information data.
- 3. Maintain Data Privacy Policy**
Establish a data privacy policy that meets legal requirements and addresses stakeholder expectations.
- 4. Embed Data Privacy into Operations**
Monitor operational policies and processes consistently with the data privacy policy, legal requirements, and operational risk management objectives.
- 5. Maintain Training and Awareness Program**
Provide ongoing training and awareness to provide compliance with the data privacy policy and to bridge knowledge and understanding.
- 6. Manage Information Security Risk**
Monitor information security risks against the level of requirements and ongoing risk assessment.
- 7. Manage Third-Party Risk**
Monitor contracts and agreements with third parties and entities consistent with the data privacy policy, legal requirements, and operational risk tolerance.
- 8. Maintain Notices**
Monitor notices to individuals consistent with the data privacy policy, legal requirements, and operational risk tolerance.
- 9. Maintain Procedures for Inquiries and Complaints**
Monitor effective procedures for interactions with individuals about their personal data.
- 10. Monitor for New Operational Practices**
Monitor operational practices to identify new processes or methods through its existing processes, and ensure the effectiveness of Privacy Design strategies.
- 11. Maintain Data Privacy Breach Management Program**
Monitor an effective data privacy incident and breach management program.
- 12. Monitor Data Handling Practices**
Monitor operational practices to ensure they align with data privacy policy and operational policies and procedures.
- 13. Track External Criteria**
Track new compliance requirements, expectations, and best practices.

The Privacy Management Accountability Framework™ was developed based on Nymity's global research on data privacy accountability. The framework is designed to help organizations across privacy, risk, and compliance to achieve their privacy goals and ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Compliance Mapping - Fundamentals

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Practical Guide to Building Accountability through an Effective Privacy Program




IMPLEMENTING AND DEMONSTRATING ACCOUNTABILITY

Featuring the Nymity Privacy Accountability Management Framework™
and the Data Privacy Accountability Scorecard™

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ELEMENTS OF ACCOUNTABILITY



An **individual is answerable** for the management and monitoring of the privacy management activities.

The organization maintains an effective privacy program consisting of ongoing **privacy management activities**.

The Privacy Office can **support, with documentation**, the completion of privacy management activities.

Accountability: Showing how responsibility is exercised and making this verifiable.

– Article 29 Working Party



IMPLEMENTING ACCOUNTABILITY

Implementing accountability –

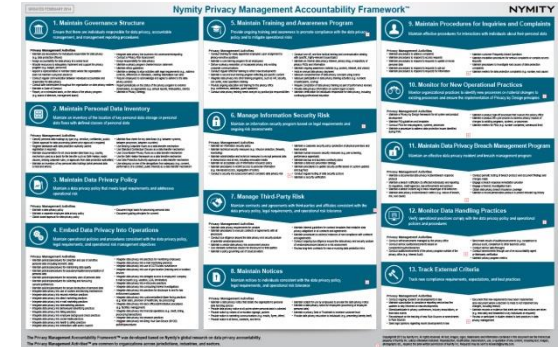
an ongoing approach to effective privacy management



A FRAMEWORK TO IMPLEMENT ACCOUNTABILITY

Nymity's research has revealed:

- ✓ *Privacy offices in responsible organizations around the world fundamentally conduct the same activities*



Nymity Data Privacy Management Framework™

- ✓ Jurisdictional and industry neutral
- ✓ Structured on 13 privacy management processes
- ✓ 150+ Privacy Management Activities
- ✓ Available for free

Framework designed for organizations to demonstrate accountability - organizations are using it to implement accountability

NYMITY PRIVACY MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK

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Nymity Privacy Management Accountability Framework™

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1. Maintain Governance Structure

Ensure that there are individuals responsible for data privacy, accountable management, and management reporting procedures

Privacy Management Activities

- Maintain job descriptions for individuals responsible for data privacy (e.g. data protection officer)
- Assign accountability for data privacy at a senior level
- Allocate resources to adequately implement and support the privacy program (e.g. budget, personnel)
- Appoint an representative in member states where the organization does not maintain a physical presence
- Conduct regular communication between individuals accountable and responsible for data privacy
- Consult with stakeholders throughout the organization on data privacy matters
- Maintain a Code of Conduct
- Report, on a scheduled basis, on the status of the privacy program (e.g. board of directors, management board)
- Integrate data privacy into business risk assessments/reporting
- Conduct a Privacy Risk Assessment
- Assign responsibility for data privacy
- Maintain a privacy program charter/statement
- Maintain ethics guidelines
- Maintain a strategy to align activities with legal requirements (e.g., address conflicts, differences in technology, changing information use needs)
- Require employees to acknowledge and agree to adhere to the data privacy policies
- Report periodically on the status of the privacy program to external stakeholders, as appropriate (e.g., annual report, shareholders, clients)
- Maintain a Privacy Strategy

2. Maintain Personal Data Inventory

Maintain an inventory of the location of key personal data storage or personal data flows with defined classes of personal data

Privacy Management Activities

- Classify personal data holdings by type (e.g. sensitive, confidential, public)
- Obtain approval for data processing (where prior approval is required)
- Register databases with data protection authority (where registration is required)
- Maintain documentation for all cross-border data flows (e.g. security, restriction used as a basis for the transfer such as Safe Harbor, model clauses, binding corporate laws, or approvals from data protection authorities)
- Maintain an inventory of key personal data holdings (what personal data is held and where)
- Maintain flow charts for key data flows (e.g. between systems, between processes, between countries)
- Use Binding Corporate Rules as a data transfer mechanism
- Use Standard Contractual Clauses as a data transfer mechanism
- Use Cross-Border Privacy Rules as a data transfer mechanism
- Use the Safe Harbor framework as a data transfer mechanism
- Use Data Protection Authority approval as a data transfer mechanism
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- Use Security or one of the derogations from adequacy (e.g. consent, performance of a contract, public interest as a data transfer mechanism)

3. Maintain Data Privacy Policy

Maintain a data privacy policy that meets legal requirements and addresses operational risk

Privacy Management Activities

- Maintain a data privacy policy
- Maintain a separate employee data privacy policy
- Obtain board approval for data privacy policy
- Document legal basis for processing personal data
- Document publishing principles for content

4. Embed Data Privacy Into Operations

Maintain operational policies and procedures consistent with the data privacy policy, legal requirements, and operational risk management objectives

Privacy Management Activities

- Maintain policies/procedures for collection and use of sensitive personal data including sensitive data
- Maintain policies/procedures for maintaining data quality
- Maintain policies/procedures for purpose limitation/minimization of personal data
- Maintain policies/procedures for security uses of personal data
- Maintain policies/procedures for collecting and retaining consent/preferences
- Maintain policies/procedures for secure destruction of personal data
- Integrate data privacy into use of cookies and tracking mechanisms
- Integrate data privacy into records retention practices
- Integrate data privacy into direct marketing practices
- Integrate data privacy into e-mail marketing practices
- Integrate data privacy into behavioral advertising practices
- Integrate data privacy into hiring practices
- Integrate data privacy into employee background check practices
- Integrate data privacy into social media practices
- Integrate data privacy into health & safety practices
- Integrate data privacy into interactions with works councils
- Integrate data privacy into practices for monitoring employees
- Integrate data privacy into use of CCTV/video surveillance
- Integrate data privacy into use of geolocation (tracking and/or location) devices
- Integrate data privacy into employee's company e-mail accounts (e.g. location, USA, Germany)
- Integrate data privacy into conducting internal investigations
- Integrate data privacy into practices for disclosure to need for law enforcement purposes
- Integrate data privacy into consumer-related/brand facing practices (e.g. retail sales, provision of healthcare, tax processing)
- Integrate data privacy into direct marketing practices
- Integrate data privacy into data collection/retention practices (e.g. facilities management)
- Integrate data privacy into records retention practices (e.g. credit, billing, processing transactions)
- Integrate data privacy into research practices
- Integrate data privacy into third-party data processing (B2B/C2B) policies/procedures

5. Provide Training and Awareness Program

Provide ongoing training and awareness to promote compliance with the data privacy policy and to mitigate operational risks

Privacy Management Activities

- Conduct training for newly appointed employees upon engagement to privacy sensitive positions
- Maintain a core training program for all employees
- Deliver a privacy refresher, or incorporate privacy into existing corporate communications
- Conduct regular refresher training to reflect new developments
- Maintain a record of training program reflecting (a) specific content
- Integrate data privacy into other training programs, such as HR, security, call center, retail operations training
- Provide ongoing education and training for the privacy office (e.g. compliance, marketing, joint operations)
- Conduct data privacy training needs analysis by position/responsibilities
- Conduct an off-site, one-time technical briefing and communication dealing with specific, high-priority issues
- Maintain an internal data privacy internet, privacy blog, or repository of privacy FAQs and information
- Maintain ongoing awareness material (e.g. posters, internet, and video)
- Hold an annual data privacy showcase
- Maintain comprehensive data privacy concept using events
- Maintain participation in data privacy training activities (e.g. numbers of participants, scoring)
- Provide completion of data privacy training as part of performance reviews
- Provide data privacy information on system report screens
- Maintain certification for individuals responsible for data privacy, including continuing professional education

6. Manage Information Security Risk

Maintain an information security program based on legal requirements and ongoing risk assessments

Privacy Management Activities

- Maintain an information security policy
- Maintain technical security measures (e.g. intrusion detection, firewall, monitoring)
- Maintain administrative and technical measures to protect personal data in transmission and at rest, including reasonable efforts
- Maintain an acceptable use of information resources policy
- Maintain procedures to restrict access to personal information (e.g. risk-based access, segregation of duties)
- Conduct a security risk assessment which considers data privacy risk
- Maintain a security verification
- Maintain a corporate security policy (protection of physical premises and user assets)
- Maintain human resource security measures (e.g. pre-screening, performance appraisal)
- Maintain technical and business continuity plans
- Maintain a disaster prevention strategy
- Maintain procedures to update security profile based on system updates and log files
- Conduct regular testing of data security posture

7. Manage Third-Party Risk

Maintain contracts and agreements with third parties and affiliates consistent with the data privacy policy, legal requirements, and operational risk tolerance

Privacy Management Activities

- Maintain data privacy requirements for vendors
- Maintain procedures to execute contracts or agreements with all processors
- Conduct due diligence around the data privacy and security posture of potential vendors/processors
- Maintain a vendor data privacy risk assessment process
- Use standard contractual clauses for disclosure to need for law enforcement purposes
- Maintain a policy governing use of cloud providers
- Maintain internal guidelines for contract templates that establish data privacy obligations in all contracts and agreements
- Maintain procedures to address instances of non-compliance with contracts and agreements
- Conduct ongoing due diligence around the data privacy and security posture of vendors/processors based on a risk assessment
- Review long-term contracts for new or existing data protection risks

8. Maintain Notices

Maintain notices to individuals consistent with the data privacy policy, legal requirements, and operational risk tolerance

Privacy Management Activities

- Maintain a data privacy notice that details the organization's personal data handling practices
- Provide data privacy notice at all points where personal data is collected
- Provide notice by means of on-location signage, systems
- Maintain a privacy Sign or Turnout to increase customer trust
- Provide data privacy education to individuals (e.g. preventing identity theft)
- Maintain a privacy notice for employees to provide the data privacy notice
- Maintain a data privacy notice for employees (processing of employee personal data)
- Maintain a privacy Sign or Turnout to increase customer trust
- Provide data privacy education to individuals (e.g. preventing identity theft)

9. Maintain Procedures for Inquiries and Complaints

Maintain effective procedures for interactions with individuals about their personal data

Privacy Management Activities

- Maintain procedures to address complaints
- Maintain procedures to respond to access requests
- Maintain procedures to respond to requests to update or revise personal data
- Maintain procedures to respond to requests to opt-out
- Maintain procedures to respond to requests for information
- Maintain customer Frequently Asked Questions
- Maintain escalation procedures for serious complaints or complex access requests
- Maintain procedures to investigate root causes of data protection complaints
- Maintain metrics for data protection complaints (e.g. number, root cause)

10. Monitor for New Operational Practices

Monitor organizational practices to identify new processes or material changes to existing processes and ensure the implementation of Privacy by Design principles

Privacy Management Activities

- Maintain a Privacy by Design framework for all system and product development
- Maintain Privacy Guidelines and templates
- Conduct Privacy by Design reviews, systems, processes
- Maintain a procedure to address data protection issues identified during PIA
- Maintain a product sign-off procedure that includes the privacy office
- Maintain a product life cycle process to address privacy impacts of changes to existing programs, systems, or processes
- Maintain metrics for PIA (e.g. number completed, turnaround time)

11. Maintain Data Privacy Breach Management Program

Maintain an effective data privacy incident and breach management program

Privacy Management Activities

- Maintain a documented data privacy incident/breach response
- Conduct self-assessments triggered by the privacy office
- Maintain a breach notification (to affected individuals) and reporting (to regulatory, credit agencies, law enforcement and judicial)
- Maintain a breach investigation team
- Maintain a breach incident log to track mitigation of all breaches
- Maintain data privacy incident/breach metrics (e.g. nature of breach, risk, root cause)
- Conduct periodic testing of breach protocol and document findings and changes made
- Engage a breach response remediation provider
- Engage a breach investigation team
- Obtain data privacy breach insurance coverage
- Maintain a record processing protocol to protect relevant log history

12. Monitor Data Handling Practices

Verify operational practices comply with the data privacy policy and operational policies and procedures

Privacy Management Activities

- Conduct self-assessments triggered by the privacy office
- Conduct ad-hoc audits/assessments based on complaints/audit/breaches
- Conduct assessments through use of an accountability agent or third-party auditor
- Conduct audits/assessments of the privacy program outside of the privacy office (e.g. Internal Audit)
- Benchmark results of audits/assessments (e.g. comparison to previous audit, comparison to other business units)
- Conduct periodic self-audits
- Conduct assessments through use of an accountability agent or third-party auditor
- Maintain privacy program metrics

13. Track External Criteria

Track new compliance requirements, expectations, and best practices

Privacy Management Activities

- Conduct ongoing research on developments in law
- Maintain subscription to compliance reporting services/newsletters to stay informed on new developments
- Attend/participate in privacy conferences, industry associations, or third-party events
- Research on the tracking of new data sources or amendments to data sources
- Seek legal opinions regarding recent developments in law
- Document that new requirements have been implemented
- Issue document where a decision is made to not implement any changes, including reasons
- Maintain records of evidence that steps have been taken and actions are taken (e.g. test data and forwarded to key individuals as required)
- Review or participate in studies related to best practices in data privacy management

The Privacy Management Accountability Framework™ was developed based on Nymity's global research on data privacy accountability. The Privacy Management Activities™ are common to organizations across jurisdictions, industries, and sectors.

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150+ PRIVACY MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Privacy Management Activities (Activities):

“Ongoing activities that have a positive impact on the processing of personal data”

- ❖ Privacy Management Activities Vary Between Organizations
 - As do purposes for processing personal data and the types of personal data being processed
- ❖ Organizations Select Applicable Activities
- ❖ Various Stakeholders Conduct the Activities



NYMITY PRIVACY MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK

Implementing Privacy Management Activities

1. BASELINE

2. PLAN

3. IMPLEMENT



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✓ BASELINE - Identify the Privacy Management Activities That Already Exist



1. Maintain Governance Structure

Ensure that there are individuals responsible for data privacy, accountable management, and management reporting procedures

Privacy Management Activities

- Maintain job descriptions for individuals responsible for data privacy (e.g. data protection officers)
- Assign accountability for data privacy at a senior level
- Allocate resources to adequately implement and support the privacy program (e.g. budget, personnel)
- Appoint a representative in member states where the organization does not maintain a physical presence
- Conduct regular communication between individuals accountable and responsible for data privacy
- Consult with stakeholders throughout the organization on data privacy matters
- Maintain a Code of Conduct
- Report, on a scheduled basis, on the status of the privacy program (e.g. board of directors, management board)
- Integrate data privacy into business risk assessments/reporting
- Conduct a Privacy Risk Assessment
- Assign responsibility for data privacy
- Maintain a privacy program charter/mission statement
- Maintain ethics guidelines
- Maintain a strategy to align activities with legal requirements (e.g., address conflicts, differences in standards, creating rationalized rule sets)
- Require employees to acknowledge and agree to adhere to the data privacy policies
- Report periodically on the status of the privacy program to external stakeholders, as appropriate (e.g. annual reports, third-parties, clients)
- Maintain a Privacy Strategy

Privacy Office Implements the Activity
→ *maintains activity*

OR

Privacy Office Influences the Activity
→ *supports functional or business units*

OR

Privacy Office Observes Activity
→ *independent of privacy office*

Most organizations will find that they are already doing many of these activities

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6. Manage Information Security Risk

Maintain an information security program based on legal requirements and ongoing risk assessments

Privacy Management Activities

- Maintain an information security policy
- Maintain technical security measures (e.g. intrusion detection, firewalls, monitoring)
- Maintain administrative and technical measures to encrypt personal data in transmission and at rest, including removable media
- Maintain an acceptable use of information resources policy
- Maintain procedures to restrict access to personal information (e.g. role-based access, segregation of duties)
- Conduct a security risk assessment which considers data privacy risk
- Maintain a corporate security policy (protection of physical premises and hard assets)
- Maintain human resource security measures (e.g. pre-screening, performance appraisals)
- Maintain backup and business continuity plans
- Maintain a data-loss prevention strategy
- Maintain procedures to update security profile based on system updates and bug fixes
- Conduct regular testing of data security posture
- Maintain a security verification

- Use Framework as checklist to determine Activities exist within organization
- Determine Activities applicable to your organization, jurisdiction and industry

Desired Privacy Management Activities become part of the plan

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List of Current Activities

- ☐ Already Implemented

Next Step: Plan privacy program



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✓ PLAN Activities to be Implemented

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- Use Framework as Checklist to determine which Activities need to be put into place
- Determine timeline for Activities
- Determine sequence of Activities

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✓ **List of Current Activities**

- ❑ Already Implemented

✓ **List of Desired Activities**

- ❑ Desired Activities Become the Plan
- ❑ Activities Planned for Implementation
- ❑ Sequence of Activities Required within your Organization

Next Step: Implement privacy program



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✓ **IMPLEMENT - Put the Activities into Place**

- **Determine Scope of the Activity within your organization**
 - Role of the Activity within the organization
 - Role of the privacy office in managing the implementation of the Activity
 - Determine the Owner of the Activity
- **Determine Business Case**
 - Justification for the Activity
 - As necessary, based on your organization's unique circumstances
- **Determine Sequence of the Activity versus other Activities in your Program**
- **Resources**
- **Execute**

Accountability cannot be outsourced

Privacy Management Process	Activities Owned by the Privacy Office	Activities Owned by Operational Units
1. Maintain Governance Structure	Maintain a Privacy Strategy	<p>Require employees to acknowledge and agree to adhere to the data privacy policies</p> <p>Owner: Human Resources</p>
2. Maintain Personal Data Inventory	Maintain an inventory of key personal data holdings (what personal data is held and where)	<p>Classify personal data holdings by type (e.g. sensitive, confidential, public)</p> <p>Owner: Corporate Records Management</p>
3. Maintain Data Privacy Policy	Maintain a data privacy policy	<p>Maintain a separate employee data privacy policy</p> <p>Owner: Human Resources</p>
4. Embed Data Privacy Into Operations	Maintain policies/procedures for collection and use of sensitive personal data (including biometric data)	<p>Integrate data privacy into direct marketing practices</p> <p>Owner: Marketing</p>
5. Maintain Training and Awareness Program	Maintain a core training program for all employees	<p>Integrate data privacy into other training programs, such as HR, security, call centre, retail operations training</p> <p>Owner: Customer Service</p>

IMPLEMENT EXAMPLES

Privacy Management Process	Activities Owned by the Privacy Office	Activities Owned by Operational Units
6. Manage Information Security Risk	Maintain an acceptable use of information resources policy likely performed in conjunction with Information Security	Maintain technical security measures (e.g. intrusion detection, firewalls, monitoring) Owner: Information Security
7. Manage Third Party Risk	Maintain a vendor data privacy risk assessment process	Maintain internal guidelines for contract templates that establish data privacy obligations in all contracts and agreements Owner: Legal
8. Maintain Notices	Maintain a data privacy notice that details the organization's personal data handling policies	Provide notice by means of on-location signage, posters Owner: Facilities/Corporate Security
9. Maintain Procedures for Inquiries and Complaints	Maintain procedures to investigate root causes of data protection complaints	Maintain procedures to address complaints Owner: Call Centre

Various stakeholders conduct the activities



IMPLEMENT EXAMPLES

Privacy Management Process	Activities Owned by the Privacy Office	Activities Owned by Operational Units
10. Monitor for New Operational Practices	Maintain PIA guidelines and templates	Conduct PIAs for new programs, systems, processes Activity Owner: Information Technology
11. Maintain Data Privacy Breach Management Program	Maintain a documented data privacy incident/breach response protocol	Engage a forensic investigation team Activity Owner: Legal
12. Monitor Data Handling Practices	Maintain privacy program metrics	Conduct audits/assessments of the privacy program outside of the privacy office (e.g. Internal Audit) Activity Owner: Internal Audit
13. Track External Criteria	Maintain subscription to compliance reporting service/law firm updates to stay informed on new developments	Document that new requirements have been implemented (also document where a decision is made to not implement any changes, including reason) Activity Owner: Compliance

Conducting activities produces documentation



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