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## GDPR Local Insights\*



### Latvia

#### Legislation

**Personal Data Processing Law of the Republic of Latvia (PDPL)**, supplemented by data protection rules in special fields of law legislation.

#### Supervisory Authority

The Data State Inspectorate of the Republic of Latvia (Latvijas Republikas Datu valsts inspekcija); phone number: +371 67223131; e-mail: [pasts@dvi.gov.lv](mailto:pasts@dvi.gov.lv); address: Elijas iela 17, Rīga, LV-1050, Latvia.

#### Special Conditions for Data Processing

The PDPL stipulates special rules for the processing of **sensitive personal data** and for the **processing for specific purposes** (further expanded upon below).

Furthermore, there are additional specific data processing requirements stipulated in other sectoral laws and normative acts such as the Archives Law and Accounting Law.

#### Special Categories of Data

No specific local requirements are introduced in relation to special categories of data. Exceptions related to employment where the Labour Law of Latvia authorises employers to request information on trade union membership from employees and AML Law which authorises companies subject to this law to process information on criminal records for responsible employees appointed as such.

#### Restrictions on Individuals' Rights

An individual does not have the right to receive the information specified in Article 15 of the GDPR if it is prohibited to disclose such information in accordance with the laws and regulations regarding **national security** and **protection, public safety** and **criminal law**, as well as for the purpose of ensuring **public financial interests** (e.g. tax protection, AML, supervision of financial market participants).

An individual's rights can also be restricted under certain conditions if the data are processed for the following purposes: **statistical**; **archiving** in the **public interest**; **scientific** or **historical research**; **freedom of expression** and **information**; **video surveillance**; **audit trails**.

#### Other Relevant Exemptions

- An individual may receive information regarding recipients or categories of recipients of its data to which data have been disclosed over the last **two years**.
- The AML Law stipulates that **once a year** the employees responsible for AML and data protection must be trained, and all other employees must be provided with **regular training** on data protection issues.
- Audit trails shall be stored for no longer than **one year** after making of the data entry, unless the laws and regulations or the nature of processing stipulate otherwise.
- A child must be at least **13 years of age** for her/ his consent to be considered the basis for the data processing and for the processing of his or her data to be lawful (otherwise, her/ his parent's or legal guardian's consent is necessary)

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\*The overview intends to provide general insights on the level of supplementary rules implemented in a country and for such purpose provides examples where the relevant member states have made use of the exemption provided by the GDPR. It is therefore non-exhaustive.

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