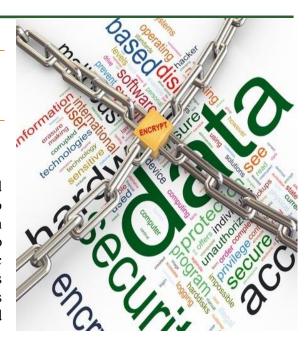


# DATA SECURITY & PROTECTION

### **Data Security/Protection Policy**

Users in-house at the HRP secured facility are all controlled by non-disclosure/confidentiality agreements with regard to information technology and company equipment (in addition to all other elements of the business), and are also only given information needed to complete their specific jobs or categories of work on-site. On-board training begins with a company orientation session to convey the standards of behavior, importance of work we perform, and confidentiality of data we handle.



#### **In-House Production**

None of HRP's internal operations are outsourced including information systems and accounting (with the exception of payroll, which is domestically outsourced). All employment screening products and services are produced and/or compiled at this location. More specifically, order entry, phone verifications, report typing, product transmission, information systems, programming, and accounting are all performed by HRP staff members. All documents are scanned into an in-house document management system. All paper copies are disposed with a professional on-site shredding service. No personal information is conveyed over the phone except to person(s) with correct credentials.

#### Website Access & Passwords

Access to the secure website is available only to authorized personnel designated by our clients. Logins and passwords can only be issued via phone after positive identification of the authorized caller. Login passwords are stored in encryption form to avoid "hacker" access to such information. Information on the website is filtered in accordance with the username plus password access key. Any unauthorized attempts to retrieve information are railroaded to a benign area of the website.

# **Employee Separation Procedures**

Separation of employment from HRP by any employee is dealt with in three phases:

- 1) Employee's password-based accounts are deleted or locked with a proprietary security algorithm that is not known to anyone but IT infrastructure and management staff.
- 2) All separated employee data is copied from their former interface (computer) and archived for later possible retrieval of missing information or tracking/reference purposes.
- 3) The employee's interface is re-commissioned for use by a future employee or purpose after removal of all former employee's archived data.

#### Data

Except for the Director of Information Systems, no data is taken off-site for use on any company or personal computers by employees. Any 3rd-party company that is doing business with HRP is contractually bound to non-disclosure/confidentiality agreements as well as data nature and purpose

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restrictions. No personal applicant-related data is exchanged between HRP and its clients/vendors without an encryption protocol or point-to-point secure exchange. No HRP data is treated as public for insecure transmission or reception.

# **Information Technology**

HR ProFile's IT infrastructure employs redundant backup systems with periodic data snapshots (direct byte-mapping copies) of active data are performed once per hour for minimal loss in the rare case of system malfunction. All server-based data is backed up on a whole-disk basis once per day in a two-phase copy; the backup is stored on removable drives that are swapped out, then taken off HRP premises by authorized personnel.

HRP servers are fault-tolerant in the case of individual server component hardware failure. No individuals (other than network administrators) -within or with any relationship to HRP - have access to the servers' administrative-level access or logins. Services used on-site for file sharing and data entry, manipulation, and extraction are locked to valid data points and user / group permissions for accessibility.

The network topology is as secure as possible. The HRP network consists of dedicated telecommunication equipment and protection from attacks. HRP's extranet telecommunication provider is the one with the highest number of years of operation and service provision in the entire area. Contracts for minimized down-time (even in the event of a disaster) are in place. The HRP network consists of a drill-down from top-to-bottom as follows: Extranet  $\rightarrow$  Router/Firewall,  $\rightarrow$  (DMZ)  $\rightarrow$  Intranet. Web-based services reside in the DMZ and are restricted to only the web service ports – 443 (secure) and 80 (redirect-only). The secure web server employs TLS1.0 encryption. The web server logical entry points are programmed in PHP with regard to restricted requests and validation of return results to ensure security. HRP's internal databases can only be accessed by the web server through the DMZ, in reverse, with limited secure table access restriction. Data feeds from clients and external service providers can only be placed in a secure FTP location (with firewall and encrypted, security-based restriction), where internal scripts reverse-pull them from the DMZ and process them with strict validation and processing before entry into the internal database or any other portion of the server infrastructure. The HRP off-site, public web site contains no sensitive data or points of access to the secure server other than a manual click to redirect for client purposes only.

HRP's other services (such as outbound email notifications and internal system-based email) are port-mapped from the firewall directly to the internal server that hosts this service. Only the services in question are used on the servers mentioned in this paragraph, and they are only used-service oriented, with only the ports singularly used for those services forwarded to the specific server's address. Incoming connections are not forwarded to any specific servers on an external-to-internal IP basis (all are port-related only).

Usage of secure remote management (Secure Shell – SSH) is directed only to the DMZ server. The DMZ server internally prohibits connections from an IP address after three (3) connection attempt failures. This is not account-based, but rather address-based for maximized security against potential "hackers."

HRP telecommunication (data and voice) is guaranteed under a Service Level Agreement (with 2 hour turn) by the provider unless a major disaster or unusual outage occurs. If such an event does occur, the provider guarantees business service restoration, with backup generators on-hand, as quickly as possible. HRP's external off-site public hosting provider also maintains backup generators for emergency power. If local power is not restored in a timely fashion by the energy provider, HRP maintains an on-site backup power generator, as well as uninterrupted power supplies for server health. For local power, HRP's

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campus resides on the Emergency line of the grid, ensuring no disruption due to forced brown-outs, and first in order of return-to-service.

All system and service-oriented log files on each of the servers are inspected on a daily basis to detect any anomalies that may point to security risks or possible failures. HR ProFile manages external-to-internal system security based on the following:

Restriction by IP address, subnet, or domain

Restriction by usernames and passwords

Encryption using public/private key cryptography

HR ProFile has never suffered any breaches, thefts, or lost client data. In the event of an improbable security breach where sensitive information has left the HRP premises in any fashion, clients and individuals will be contacted directly and will be assisted in whatever means necessary (within the limits of our liability) to recoup any losses. Legal security breach documents are in place and will be directed toward those that may be affected, available for individual or mass-mailing, depending on the specific circumstance.

# **Privacy Policy**



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# **√** Use of Personal Information

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