



## SIRC Forum

### Use of Personal Information

#### Privacy and Protection of Personal Information

The SIRC respects your right to privacy. By agreeing to the terms of this Agreement, you may be providing the SIRC with your personal information. This information will be used by the SIRC for the purpose for which it was provided by you, for verification purposes, contents, communications, and statistical analysis, and as set out in other terms throughout this document.

The SIRC acknowledges that they are governed by the *Personal Information and Electronic Documents Act* (PIPEDA) and will comply with such legislation.

Data you provide: To create an account you need to provide data including your name, email address and/or mobile number, and a password. You have **choices** about the information on your profile. You do not have to provide additional information on your profile; however, profile information helps you to get more out of your Please do not post or add personal data to your profile that you would not want to be publicly available. We use your personal information to aid us in providing our services to you and the other members.

Consent: The consent of an individual is required before SIRC collects or stores any personal information. As per the above, by using or accessing the SIRC Forum, you have consented to the collection and storage of certain information.

Limiting Collection: The collection of personal information shall be limited to only that which is necessary for the purposes identified by SIRC. Information shall be collected by fair and lawful means. CPRA also collects general internet data, including but not limited to IP addresses, previous internet history and cookies.

Limiting Use, Disclosure and Retention: Personal information shall not be used or disclosed for purposes other than those for which it was collected, except with the consent of the individual or as required by law. Personal information shall be retained only as long as necessary for fulfillment of those purposes. Information that is non-identifiable to specific individuals may be used for statistical purposes. Personal information does not include any Profile Information (as defined above).

Safeguards: We implement security safeguards designed to protect your data, such as HTTPS. We regularly monitor our systems for possible vulnerabilities and attacks. However, we cannot warrant the security of any information that you send us. There is no guarantee that data may not be accessed, disclosed, altered, or destroyed by breach of any of our physical, technical, or managerial safeguards. SIRC utilizes password protections, secure servers and other security systems, which are appropriate to the sensitivity of the information and in-line with industry standards. SIRC shall not be responsible for any harm that you or any person may suffer as the result of a breach of security.

Concerns about data security should be directed to [research@sirc.ca](mailto:research@sirc.ca)