

Kinetic Electronic Designs CC



A Guide to

ACCESSING OUR INFORMATION

Our Manual in terms of Section 51 of the Promotion of Access to Information Act

Prepared in accordance with section 51 of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, No. 2 of 2000 ("PAIA") (as amended) and in compliance with the requirements of the Protection of Personal Information Act, No.4 2013 ("POPIA").

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1 **Preamble**

1. The Promotion of Access to Information Act, No. 2 of 2000 (the “Act”), as amended, gives effect to section 32 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa 108 of 1996 (the “Constitution”) which gives the right to access to any information held by the state and/or another person, that is required for the exercise or protection of any right.
2. Where a request is made in terms of the Act, the body to whom the request is made must consider whether to release the information, giving due consideration to applicable legislative and/or regulatory requirements, except where the Act expressly states that the records containing such information may not be released.
3. This manual, which is compiled in accordance with section 51 of the Act and complies with the requirements of the Protection of Personal Information Act, No. 4 of 2013 (“POPIA”), is intended to inform a requestor of information, about the procedure for requesting information from the holder. This manual further incorporates the requirements of the POPIA and sets out the framework for our company’s compliance with the same.
4. Where reference is made to the “processing” of personal information, this will include any activity in which information is worked with, from the time that it is collected, up to the time that it is destroyed, regardless of whether it is worked with manually, or by automated systems.

2 Introduction to this private body

Kinetic Electronic Designs (the “Company”) is a company that provides electronic and software solutions through its design, development, manufacture and contract operations.

As a private body, we have compiled this manual, not only to comply with the provisions of the Act, but also to foster a culture of transparency and accountability in our environment and to ensure that members of the public have effective access to information in our possession which will assist them in the exercise and protection of their rights.

Inside these pages you will be able to view the categories of information in our possession. You will also find the correct procedure to follow if you require access to any of this information.

A copy of this manual is also available on our website www.ked.co.za.

3 Section A – Our details

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Managers	: A.N. Spencer and W.F.J. Spencer
Designated Information Officer	: A.N. Spencer
Email Address of Information Officer	: info@ked.co.za
Website	: www.ked.co.za

4 Section B – The official guide

Section 10 of the Act requires the South African Human Rights Commission (SAHRC) to publish a Guide containing information reasonably required by a person wishing to exercise or protect any right in terms of this Act.

The Guide will contain the following information:

1. The objects of the Act;
2. Particulars of the information officer of every public body;
3. Particulars of every private body as are practicable;
4. The manner and form of a request for access to information held by a body;
5. Assistance available from both the information officers and the Human Rights Commission in terms of this Act;
6. All remedies in law regarding acts, omissions, rights and duties, including how to lodge an internal appeal and a court application;
7. Schedules of fees to be paid in relation to requests for access to information;

Regulations made in terms of the Act.

Copies of this Guide will be available as soon as it is published by the SAHRC. Enquiries regarding the Guide can be addressed to the SAHRC, the contact details of which are as follows:

Post: South African Human Rights Commission
Promotion of Access to Information Act Unit
Research and Documentation Department
Private Bag 2700
Houghton
2041

Telephone: (011) 484-8300

Fax: (011) 484-0582

Website: www.sahrc.org.za

E-mail: PAIA@sahrc.org.za

5 Section C – Information available in terms of the Act

5.1 Categories of information held

5.1.1 STATUTORY COMPANY INFORMATION

- Founding Statement

5.1.2 ACCOUNTING RECORDS

- Books of Account including journals and ledgers
- Delivery notes, orders, invoices, statements, receipts, vouchers and bills of exchange

5.1.3 PUBLIC RELATIONS

- Copies of articles published in the news media

5.1.4 PERSONNEL RECORDS

- Employees' names and occupations
- Remuneration paid to each employee
- Date of birth of each employee
- Tax returns of employees

5.1.5 AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS

- Warranty terms
- Distributor and agency agreements

5.1.6 TAXATION

- Copies of Income Tax Returns and other tax returns and documents
- VAT Registration certificate
- Export registration certificate

5.1.7 LEGAL

- Trademark Registrations

5.1.8 SALES AND MARKETING

- Customer Information
- Sales Brochures, Newsletters and Advertising Materials

- Sales Records

5.2 Procedure for requesting access to the above information

If you wish to request access to any of the above categories of information, you are required to complete a request form as set out in annexure "A" hereto. These forms are available from:

- our information officer (whose contact details are in section A of this manual);
- the SAHRC website (www.sahrc.org.za)
- the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development website (www.doj.gov.za).

There is a prescribed fee (payable in advance) for requesting and accessing information in terms of the Act. Details of these fees are contained in the request form.

You may also be called upon to pay the additional fees prescribed by regulation for searching for and compiling the information that you have requested, including copying charges.

It is important to note that access is not automatic - you must identify the right you are seeking to exercise or protect and explain why the record you request is required for the exercise or protection of that right. You will be notified in the manner indicated by you on the request form whether your request has been approved.

6 Section D – Information available in terms of other legislation

Where applicable to our operations, information is also available in terms of certain provisions of the following statutes:

- Basic Conditions of Employment Act, No 75 of 1997;
- Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, No 75 of 1997;
- Companies Act, No 71 of 2008;
- Compensation for Occupational Injuries & Diseases Act, 130 of 1993;
- Competition Act, No.71 of 2008; Constitution of the Republic of South Africa 2008;
- Copyright Act, No 98 of 1978;
- Electronic Communications Act, No 36 of 2005;
- Electronic Communications and Transactions Act, No 25 of 2002;
- Employment Equity Act, No 55 of 1998;
- Financial Intelligence Centre Act, No 38 of 2001;
- Identification Act, No. 68 of 1997;
- Income Tax Act, No 58 of 1962;
- Intellectual Property Laws Amendment Act, No 38 of 1997;
- Labour Relations Act, No 66 of 1995;
- Occupational Health & Safety Act, No 85 of 1993;
- Pension Funds Act, No 24 of 1956;
- Prescription Act, No 68 of 1969;
- Prevention of Organised Crime Act, No 121 of 1998;
- Promotion of Access to Information Act, No 2 of 2000;
- Protection of Personal Information Act, No. 4 of 2013;

- Regulation of Interception of Communications and Provision of Communication-Related Information Act 70 of 2002
- Unemployment Insurance Act, No 30 of 1996

Where applicable to our operations, we also retain records and documents in terms of the following statutes:

- Close Corporations Act No. 69 of 1984
- Customs and Excise Act No. 91 of 1964
- Value-added Tax Act No. 89 of 1991

Whilst every care was taken to provide a comprehensive list of applicable legislation, this list may be incomplete. To this end, this list shall be updated accordingly as and when the Company receives new information to this effect. If a Requester believes that a right of access to a record exists in terms of other legislation not listed above, the Requester is required to indicate what legislative right the request is based on, to allow the Information Officer the opportunity to consider the request in light thereof.

7 Section E – Information automatically available

The following categories of records are automatically available for inspection, purchase or photocopying. In other words you do not need to request this information in terms of the Promotion of Access to Information Act.

Request forms for these categories of information are also available from our information officer, whose contact details appear in section A of this manual.

- Product pamphlets / Brochures
- Product Price Lists
- Product Specifications
- Other literature intended for public viewing

8 Section F - Decision

The Company will, within 30 (thirty) days of receipt of the request, decide whether to grant or decline the request and give written notice with reasons to that effect.

The 30 (thirty) day period within which the Company must decide whether to grant or refuse the request, may be extended for a further period of not more than (30) thirty days if the request is for a large amount of information, or the request requires a search for information held at another location and the information cannot reasonably be obtained within the original 30 (thirty) day period.

The Company will notify the requester in writing should an extension be sought.

9 Section F – Remedies for refusal of a request

9.1 Internal Remedies

The Company does not have internal appeal procedures as the decision made by the Information Officer is final.

A requester will need to exercise external remedies should the request for information be refused, and they are not satisfied with the decision by the Information Officer.

9.2 External Remedies

A requestor and/or third party that is dissatisfied with the Information Officer's refusal to disclose information, may within 30 (thirty) days of receipt of notification of the decision apply to the High Court with jurisdiction, for relief.

For purposes of the Act, the Courts that have jurisdiction over these applications are the Constitutional Court, the High Court, and a Magistrate's Court designated by the Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development.

ANNEXURE “A”

FORM C

REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO RECORD OF PRIVATE BODY

(Section 53 (1) of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, 2000
(Act No. 2 of 2000))

[Regulation 10]

A. Particulars of private body

The Head:

B. Particulars of person requesting access to the record

- a) The particulars of the person who requests access to the record must be given below.*
- b) The address and/or fax number in the Republic to which the information is to be sent must be given.*
- c) Proof of the capacity in which the request is made, if applicable, must be attached.*

Full names and surname:

Identity number:

Postal address:

Fax number:

Telephone number:

E-mail address:

Capacity in which request is made, when made on behalf of another person:

C. Particulars of person on whose behalf request is made

This section must be completed ONLY if a request for information is made on behalf of another person.

Full names and surname:

Identity number:

D. Particulars of record

- a) Provide full particulars of the record to which access is requested, including the reference number if that is known to you, to enable the record to be located.
- b) If the provided space is inadequate, please continue on a separate folio and attach it to this form. **The requester must sign all the additional folios.**

1. Description of record or relevant part of the record:

2. Reference number, if available:

3. Any further particulars of record:

E. Fees

- a) A request for access to a record, other than a record containing personal information about yourself, will be processed only after a **request fee** has been paid.
- b) You will be notified of the amount required to be paid as the request fee.
- c) The **fee payable for access** to a record depends on the form in which access is required and the reasonable time required to search for and prepare a record.
- d) If you qualify for exemption of the payment of any fee, please state the reason for exemption.

Reason for exemption from payment of fees:

F. Form of access to record

If you are prevented by a disability to read, view or listen to the record in the form of access provided for in 1 to 4 hereunder, state your disability and indicate in which form the record is required.

Disability:

Form in which record is required:

Mark the appropriate box with an X.

NOTES:

a) Compliance with your request in the specified form may depend on the form in which the record is available.

b) Access in the form requested may be refused in certain circumstances. In such a case you will be informed if access will be granted in another form.

c) The fee payable for access to the record, if any, will be determined partly by the form in which access is requested.

1. If the record is in written or printed form:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	copy of record*	<input type="checkbox"/>	inspection of record
2. If record consists of visual images (this includes photographs, slides, video recordings, computer-generated images, sketches, etc.):			
<input type="checkbox"/>	view the images	<input type="checkbox"/>	copy of the images*
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	transcription of the images*
3. If record consists of recorded words or information which can be reproduced in sound:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	listen to the soundtrack (audio cassette)	<input type="checkbox"/>	transcription of soundtrack* (written or printed document)
4. If record is held on computer or in an electronic or machine-readable form:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	printed copy of record*	<input type="checkbox"/>	printed copy of information derived from the record*
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	copy in computer readable form* (stiffy or compact disc)
*If you requested a copy or transcription of a record (above), do you wish the copy or transcription to be posted to you?			<input type="checkbox"/> YES
*If you requested a copy or transcription of a record (above), do you wish the copy or transcription to be posted to you?			<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Postage is payable.			

G. Particulars of right to be exercised or protected

If the provided space is inadequate, please continue on a separate folio and attach it to this form. **The requester must sign all the additional folios.**

1. Indicate which right is to be exercised or protected:

2. Explain why the record requested is required for the exercise or protection of the aforementioned right:

H. Notice of decision regarding request for access

You will be notified in writing whether your request has been approved/denied. If you wish to be informed in another manner, please specify the manner and provide the necessary particulars to enable compliance with your request.

How would you prefer to be informed of the decision regarding your request for access to the record?

Signed at this day of 20

SIGNATURE OF REQUESTER/PERSON ON WHOSE BEHALF REQUEST IS MADE

ANNEXURE “B”

AN EXPLANATORY NOTE ON FEES TO BE CHARGED BY A PRIVATE BODY WHEN GRANTING A REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO INFORMATION IN TERMS OF THE PROMOTION OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT, 2000.

The fees chargeable by private bodies are contained in Part III of Annexure “A” of the Regulations. A copy of Part III is attached for your convenience. The present charges are as follows:

1. Copies of a manual

Should an individual require a copy of the private body’s manual, a fee of R1,10 is chargeable for every photocopy of an A4 page or part thereof.

2. Reproduction fees¹

Reproduction fees apply to obtaining copies or transcriptions of information which is automatically available from the private body. The fees are listed in paragraph 2 of Part III of Annexure “A” to the Regulations.

3. Access fees²

Access fees are chargeable for copies or transcriptions of information requested under this Act. The fees are listed in paragraph 4 of Part III of Annexure “A” to the Regulations.

4. Other fees

- A request fee³ of R50,00 is payable by a requester who is seeking access to a record containing information which is not personal to the requester. See paragraph 6 of Part 1 of this Work.
- A search fee⁴ may be charged at a rate of R30,00 per hour or part thereof for searching and preparing the record for disclosure provided such time was reasonably required for that purpose.
- If the request is not limited to records containing information which is personal to the requester and if the head of the private body is of the opinion that the time taken to give effect to the request will exceed six hours the requester can be called upon to pay a deposit of not more than one third of an estimate of the access fee which will become payable.⁵
- If a copy of a record is posted to a requester, the requester is obliged to pay the actual postage payable.

¹ Section 52(3) and Regulation 1(1).

² Section 54(7) and Regulation 11(3).

³ Section 54(1) and Regulation 11(2).

⁴ Annexure “A”, Part III, Item 4(1)(f).

⁵ Section 54(2).

PART III
FEES IN RESPECT OF PRIVATE BODIES

1. The fee for a copy of the manual as contemplated in regulation 9 (2) (c) is R1,10 for every photocopy of an A4-size page or part thereof.

2. The fees for reproduction referred to in regulation 11 (1) are as follows:

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(a) For every photocopy of an A4-size page or part thereof	1,10
(b) For every printed copy of an A4-size page or part thereof held on a computer or in electronic or machine-readable form	0,75
(c) For a copy in a computer-readable form, e.g. compact disc	70,00
(d) (i) For a transcription of visual images, for an A4-size page or part thereof ...	40,00
(ii) For a copy of visual images	60,00
(e) (i) For a transcription of an audio record, for an A4-size page or part thereof	20,00
(ii) For a copy of an audio record	30,00

3. The request fee payable by a requester, other than a personal requester, referred to in regulation 11 (2) is R50,00.

4. The access fees payable by a requester referred to in regulation 11 (3) are as follows:

	R
(1) (a) For every photocopy of an A4-size page or part thereof	1,10
(b) For every printed copy of an A4-size page or part thereof held on a computer or in electronic or machine-readable form	0,75
(c) For a copy in a computer-readable form, e.g. compact disc	70,00
(d) (i) For a transcription of visual images, for an A4-size page or part thereof	40,00
(ii) For a copy of visual images	60,00
(e) (i) For a transcription of an audio record, for an A4-size page or part thereof	20,00
(ii) For a copy of an audio record	30,00
(f) To search for and prepare the record for disclosure, R30,00 for each hour or part of an hour reasonably required for such search and preparation.	

(2) For purposes of section 54 (2) of the Act, the following applies:

- (a) Six hours as the hours to be exceeded before a deposit is payable; and
- (b) one third of the access fee is payable as a deposit by the requester.

(3) The actual postage is payable when a copy of a record must be posted to a requester.