

PRIVACY POLICY FOR THIS WEBSITE

1. INTRODUCTION

This Privacy Policy (hereinafter the "Privacy Policy" or "PP") applies to the website of the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs. The General Secretariat for Religious Affairs is the creator and rights holder of this website (hereinafter the "website") with the domain name:

<https://religiousaffairs.minedu.gov.gr/>

The General Secretariat for Religious Affairs places great importance on the protection of general data. For this reason, it has developed this Privacy Policy to inform citizens about how their personal data collected during the use of this website are processed.

This website contains links to applications of the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs, the operation of which is governed by specific terms and conditions, which are, generally, posted within the respective application. Furthermore, this website may contain links to other websites, which are the responsibility of third parties.

2. DEFINITIONS RELATING TO PERSONAL DATA

(Note: The definitions are based on article 4 of the GDPR)

"Personal Data" means any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person (the "data subject").

"Controller" means the natural or legal person, public authority, agency or other body which, alone or jointly with others, determines the purposes and means of the processing of personal data. In this case, the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs acts as the Data Controller.

"Processor" means a natural or legal person, public authority, agency or other body which processes personal data on behalf of the Data Controller.

"Data Subject": an identifiable natural person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier, or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person. In this case, the data subjects are the users of the website.

"Recipient" means a natural or legal person, public authority, agency or another body to which personal data are disclosed, whether a third party or not. Public authorities which may receive personal data in the framework of a particular inquiry in accordance with Union or Member State law shall not be regarded as recipients.

3. COLLECTION OF PERSONAL DATA

When a citizen visits the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs Website and provided that:

- They interact with it, or
- They use the electronic services provided,

Data is collected automatically, such as:

- The user's IP address. The IP address is assigned by the Internet Service Provider through which the visitor or user accesses the Internet and, subsequently, the

website. The IP address and other information that may be derived from it (for example, the user's location, at city level) are retained only as required by law,

- Information collected through “cookies” and other similar technologies.

4. CONFIDENTIALITY

Access to the personal data of users of this website is restricted to duly authorized personnel of the Ministry of Education, Religious Affairs and Sports who are responsible for the development and management of this website and are bound to confidentiality and discretion. Unauthorized access is prohibited.

As a general rule, the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs does not transfer the personal data of website users to a third country or an international organization. However, should such a transfer be deemed necessary, it shall take place in accordance with the provisions of articles 44 et seq. of the GDPR.

5. TRANSFER AND STORAGE OF PERSONAL DATA

Any transfer or transmission of the personal data of Data Subjects is carried out through electronic systems, and all data is transmitted in encrypted form.

Personal data is stored on servers of providers in Greece.

6. RIGHTS OF DATA SUBJECTS

The General Secretariat for Religious Affairs, as the Data Controller, in full compliance with the provisions of personal data protection legislation, ensures and facilitates the exercise of the following rights of data subjects:

6.1 Right of Access

Data Subjects have the right to obtain from the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs confirmation, at any time, as to whether or not their personal data are being processed, and, where that is the case, they may request information regarding the purposes of the processing, the categories of personal data concerned, the recipients of the data, the envisaged period for which the personal data will be stored, and the existence of automated decision-making. Furthermore, Data Subjects shall be granted access to such personal data without undue delay.

6.2 Right to Rectification

Data Subjects have the right to request that the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs rectify inaccurate or outdated personal data concerning them. They also have the right to have incomplete personal data be completed, including by means of providing a supplementary statement.

Furthermore, the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs shall notify each recipient to whom the personal data have been disclosed of any rectification to such data, unless this proves impracticable or involves a disproportionate effort. The General Secretariat for Religious Affairs shall inform the Data Subjects of these recipients, upon request.

6.3 Right to Erasure

Data Subjects have the right to obtain from the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs the erasure of personal data concerning them if such data are no longer necessary in relation to the aforementioned purposes and subject to the conditions set out in article 17 of the GDPR.

6.4 Right to Restriction of Processing

Data Subjects have the right to obtain from the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs restriction of processing of personal data concerning them. Where processing of personal data has been restricted, such personal data shall, with the exception of storage, be processed only to the extent that specific exceptions apply.

6.5 Right to Data Portability

Data Subjects have the right, subject to the conditions of article 20 of the GDPR, to receive any personal data concerning them which they have provided to the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format.

6.6 Right to Object

Data Subjects have the right to object, on grounds relating to their particular situation, at any time to the processing of personal data concerning them, subject to the conditions set out in article 21 of the GDPR. Once the right to object has been exercised, the personal data shall no longer be processed unless it is demonstrated that there are compelling legitimate grounds for the processing which override the interests, rights and freedoms of the Data Subject, or for the establishment, exercise or defense of legal claims. The General Secretariat for Religious Affairs guarantees that, if Data Subjects object to the processing of data concerning them, such data shall no longer be processed, unless it demonstrates that there are compelling legitimate grounds for the processing which override the interests and rights of the Data Subjects.

6.7 Automated Individual Decision-Making, Including Profiling

The General Secretariat for Religious Affairs does not engage in automated individual decision-making. In any case, however, should it proceed with automated individual decision-making in the future, Data Subjects shall have the right to object to a decision made solely on automated processing, including profiling, when that decision produces legal effects concerning them or affecting them.

7. FULFILLMENT OF RIGHTS

Overall, the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs ensures that:

1. There are procedures to allow Data Subjects to easily exercise their rights, so that all necessary actions are taken immediately.
2. It will be respond to any request submitted by a Data Subject without undue delay and, in any case, no later than thirty (30) calendar days. In the event that a requested right cannot be satisfied, the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs shall ensure that a specific, adequate, and complete justification is provided.
3. Except in cases of manifestly unfounded or excessive requests, all actions relating to the fulfilment of Data Subject rights shall be carried out free of charge for the Data Subjects. To exercise the above rights, Data Subjects may submit a written request to the Data Protection

Officer of the Ministry of Education, Religious Affairs and Sports at the following email address: dpo@minedu.gov.gr.

If Data Subjects believe that the processing of their personal data violates the applicable regulatory framework on personal data protection, they have the right to file a complaint with the Hellenic Data Protection Authority (mailing address: 1–3 Kifisias Avenue, Postal Code 115 23, Athens, telephone: 210 6475600, email: contact@dpa.gr).

8. AMENDMENTS TO THIS POLICY

1. The General Secretariat for Religious Affairs reserves the right, when it deems it appropriate, to amend this Policy, in whole or in part, and to post such amendments on this website. Any amendment shall take effect immediately upon its posting on the website of the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs. Users are advised to consult this Policy regularly to ensure they are aware of its most recent version.

9. CONTACT

For any questions regarding this Policy, users may contact the Data Protection Officer of the Ministry of Education, Religious Affairs and Sports at the following email address: dpo@minedu.gov.gr.