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GENERATION SCHOOLS MANUAL

in terms of Section 51 of The Promotion of Access to Information Act, 2 of 2000

This Manual provides information on the records held and the process that is to be followed to request access to such records.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Generation Schools is a private education organization operating within South Africa, predominantly the Western Cape. Generation Schools currently operates 7 campuses offering both Primary school and High school experiences.

2. CONTACT DETAILS

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3. THE ACT AND SECTION 10 GUIDE

The Promotion of Access to Information Act (the 'Act') gives effect to the constitutional right of access to information held by the State and any information held by another person and that is required for the exercise or protection of any rights.

Specifically, Section 51(1) of the Act requires the head of a private body to compile a Manual containing information regarding the subjects and categories of records held by such private bodies.

In this context, a "private body" is defined as any natural person who carries or has carried on any trade, business or profession, but only in such capacity or any partnership which carries or has carried on any trade, business or profession or any former or existing juristic person., excluding public bodies.

Therefore, Generation Education (Pty) Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as 'Generation Schools') falls within this definition and this Manual has been compiled in accordance with said provisions and to fulfil the requirements of the Act.

In terms of this Act, when a request for information held by a private body is made, there is an obligation on the private body to provide such information, except where the Act provides otherwise. In this context, Section 9 of the Act applies which allows for the limitation of the right to access information. The limitation relates to circumstances whereby allowing access to requested information would pose a threat to the protection of privacy, commercial confidentiality, and the exercising of effective governance.

This Manual provides an overview of the information held by Generation schools and the prescribed procedure to be followed and the fees that apply to access such records. Hard copies of this Manual can be obtained from each campus as well as on the school's website, https://www.generationschools.co.za/.



Requesters are referred to the Guide compiled by the South African Human Rights Commission in accordance with Section 10 of the Act. This Guide provides an explanation of the Act and how to access records and documents for the purposes of exercising one's right to information.

The Guide is available from the SAHRC. The contact details for the SAHRC are as follows:

Postal Address: Private Bag X2700, Houghton, 2041

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Johannesburg

Telephone Number: 011 877 3600

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Website: <u>www.sahrc.org.za</u>

You can also access the latest electronic version of the guide on the SAHRC site by following this link: https://www.sahrc.org.za/index.php/understanding-paia or obtain a hard copy version from the school.

4. OUR RECORDS

4.1. RECORDS THAT ARE AUTOMATICALLY ACCESSIBLE

Records which we hold in terms of the following Acts of Parliament are automatically accessible in terms of those laws (Note: This list is not exhaustive):

- Basic Conditions of Employment Act (Act 75 of 1997)
- Companies Act (Act 71 of 2008)
- Close Corporations Act (Act 69 of 1984)
- Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Disease Act (Act 130 of 1993)
- Electronic Communications and Transactions Act 25 of 2002
- Employment of Educators Act (Act 76 of 1998)
- Employment Equity Act (Act 55 of 1998)



- Financial Intelligence Centre Act (Act 38 of 2001)
- Income Tax Act (Act 58 of 1962)
- Labour Relations Act (Act 66 of 1995)
- National Education Policy Act (Act 27 of 1996)
- Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993)
- Promotion of Access to Information Act 2 of 2000
- The Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013
- Skills Development Act (Act 97 of 1998)
- Skills Development Levies Act (Act 9 of 1999)
- South African Schools Act (Act 84 of 1994)
- Unemployment Insurance Act (Act 63 of 2001)
- Unemployment Contributions Act (Act 4 of 2002)
- Value Added Tax Act (Act 89 of 1991)

Anyone who is entitled to access to any of those records under any of those laws may therefore have access to them.

4.2. VOLUNTARY DISCLOSURE OF RECORDS

The following records and information are freely available on request:

 Everything that appears on our website or has been made publicly available by Generation Schools.

4.3. OTHER RECORDS

We also hold the following records, which are not automatically accessible. If you require access to any of them, you will need to follow the procedure provided in section 6 of this Manual:

Records	Subject	Availability
Financial	Client verification records	Request in terms of
Department	Reports (if any) submitted to the	PAIA.
	Financial Intelligence Centre	



- Credit application information
- Financial Records, Reports and Statements
- Invoices
- Credit notes
- Receipts
- Goods received vouchers
- Asset Register
- Income-related Reports and Summaries
- Insurance Policies and claims
- Policies and procedures

Human Resources Staff Recruitment Policies Request in terms of

> PAIA. Staff records and attendance registers

Pension and provident fund rules

Information IT Policies and Procedures Request in terms of

PAIA. Technology **User Manuals**

Network Diagrams

Request in terms of Legal Records of legal matters

PAIA.

Request in terms of Minutes of meetings PAIA. Administrative General correspondence

Contracts with third parties

Operational and

Marketing information Personnel

Request in terms of Personnel files for current employees PAIA. and agents, including Employment Contracts, Remuneration Records, Employment Conditions and Policies,

Personnel files for ex-employees and agents who left during the past three

and Records of Disciplinary Hearings

years

Procurement Terms and conditions for the supply of Department services and products

Request in terms of PAIA.







Agreements

List of suppliers, products, services and distribution

Property

Records of properties management

Request in terms of

PAIA.

Building plans

Leases

Student Records

Application-related Documentation

Request in terms of

PAIA.

Waiting lists for Admissions

Documents related to refusal of

admission, and appeals against those

• Admissions/enrolment register

Academic records/individual report cards

Personal files for each student and guardian(s)

Class lists

· Class timetables and term plans

Assessment details and documents

Disciplinary information

5. ACCESS TO OUR RECORDS

5.1. YOUR RIGHT OF ACCESS

The Act entitles you to have access to our records, provided that:

- · you require access to exercise or protect any of your rights; and
- · you apply for access according to the procedure set out in this Manual; and
- we do not have grounds for refusing such access.





5.2. OUR RIGHT TO REFUSE ACCESS

We have the right to refuse you access to our records if any of the following grounds apply:

- The record would unreasonably disclose personal information about a third party, including a deceased individual (unless that third party or a representative of the deceased gives written permission for access);
- The record contains (a) trade secrets, or (b) financial, commercial, scientific or technical information, or (c) information about research by a third party, which could put that third party at a disadvantage in a negotiation or prejudice him in competition (unless that third party gives written permission for access);
- Access would put us in breach of a duty of confidence which we owe to a third party (unless that third party gives written permission for access);
- Access could reasonably be expected to (a) endanger someone's life or physical safety, or (b) prejudice or impair the security of a building, structure, system, means of transport or other property;
- The record is privileged from being produced as evidence in legal proceedings (unless the person protected by the privilege has waived that protection).

5.3. NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 52 OF THE ACT

We have not gazetted any notices in terms of Section 52 of the Act. This means that, except for those items listed in sections 4.1 and 4.2 of this Manual, we will grant access to our records only in terms of this Manual.

6. HOW TO APPLY FOR ACCESS

6.1. FILL IN A REQUEST FORM

Should you wish to obtain access to any of the records listed in this Manual, you should fill in the application form contained in section 7 of this Manual, alternatively, you can obtain the application form (Form 2) from the Information Regulator's website at https://www.justice.gov.za/inforeg/.



When completing the form, please provide sufficient details to enable us to identify:

- (a) The record(s) requested;
- (b) The requester (and if an agent is lodging the request, proof of capacity);
- (c) The form of access required;
- (d) (i) The postal address or fax number of the requester in the Republic;
 - (ii) If the requester wishes to be informed of the decision in a manner (in addition to written), the manner and particulars thereof;
- (e) The right which the requester is seeking to exercise to protect with an explanation of the reason the record is required to exercise or protect the right.

6.2. SUBMIT THE FORM AND THE REQUEST FEE

Completed application forms are to be submitted to the Information Officer either by hand, email or via the post (please see contact details above), together with a non-refundable request fee of R50.00 + VAT. No request will be considered until the aforementioned request fee has been received unless provided otherwise.

Current and past employees, guardians and students requesting access to records held by Generation schools that contain personal information about them are excluded from paying a non-refundable request fee.

Should you be unable to submit a completed application form by hand, email or via post, please contact us to make alternative arrangements.

6.3. WE WILL RESPOND

We will consider your request and let you know our decision, in writing, not more than 30 days after we receive your request.

Our response will probably be one of the following:

 Your application does not contain enough information to enable us to search for the record you want. Please provide additional details.



- It is going to take us more than the prescribed hours (six) to search through our records
 and prepare as requested, therefore you are required to pay us a <u>deposit</u> of R60.00 (plus
 VAT).
- We have found the record you are looking for, and you may have access to it, on payment of:
 - a) An **access fee** of R30.00 (+ VAT) per hour or part thereof for the time that it took us to find the record (less any deposit which you have already paid), and
 - b) A **reproduction fee** for making photocopies or printouts or copying the record onto a CD or something equivalent- these fees are set out in section 7 of this Manual.

Note: We will not charge fees to a current or ex-employee requesting access to his/her personnel record or a parent, guardian or student requesting access to his/her personal information.

- You may not have access to the record you want, for reasons which we will state in our reply. If you have paid a deposit, we will refund it (but not the request fee).
- You may have access to the record but not in the particular format requested (i.e. printed or electronic format) as this will unreasonably interfere with school activities, may damage the record, or may lead to a copyright infringement.

Note: If, for practical reasons, access cannot be granted in the required format, but in an alternative format, the fee will be calculated based on the format initially requested.

We have searched for the record and cannot find it. We will give you an affidavit
explaining what steps we took to try and find the record. Should the missing record later
come to light, we will notify you accordingly.



7. SCHEDULE OF FEES

As per Government Gazette 23119 dated 15 February 2002

A4 photocopy of this Manual	R1.10 per page
Request fee (non-refundable) payable on submission of the Application Form	R50.00
Access fee for searching our records Note: If the search is likely to take longer than six hours (which would cost more than R180), then a deposit of one-third (i.e. R60) is payable in advance.	R30.00 per hour (or part thereof)
Reproduction fee photocopy (A4 page or part thereof)	R1.10
Printout from a computer or other electronic or machine-readable form (A4 page or part thereof)	R0.75
Computer-readable copy of CD	R70.00
Transcription of visual images (A4 page or part thereof)	R40.00
Copy of a visual image	R60.00
Transcription of an audio record (A4 page or part thereof)	R20.00
Copy of an audio record	R30.00

Note: The above fees are not VAT inclusive, therefore VAT must be added to request, access, and reproduction fees.

Postage

If the copy of the record is to be sent by post, then postage must be paid in addition to the request, access and reproduction fees.



8. APPLICATION FORM

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 Information Officer:			
Address:			
B. Particulars of person requesting access to the record			
 Notes: Please provide particulars of the person who is requesting access to the record. Please state the address and/or fax number in the Republic to which the information is to be sent. If applicable, attach proof of the capacity in which the request is made. 			
Full names and surname:			
Identity number:			



Postal address:			
Telephone no:			
Fax no:			
Email address:			
If this application is being made on behalf of another person, please state the capacity in which you are making it, below: C. Particulars of person on whose behalf the request is made			
Note: This needs to be completed ONLY if the request for information is being made on behalf of another person.			
Full names and surname:			
Identity number:			



D. Particulars of record

Notes:			
 Provide full particulars of the record to which access is requested, including a reference number (if you know of one) which will help us to locate the record. If there is not enough space on this form for all the particulars, write the remaining particulars on a separate sheet of paper, sign it, and attach it to this form. 			
Description of the record or relevant part of the record:			
2. Reference number, ifavailable:			
3. Any further particulars of record:			

E. Fees

Notes:

- 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.
- You will be notified of the amount to be paid as the request fee.
- The **fee payable for access** to a record depends on the form in which access is required and the reasonable time to search for and prepare a record.
- If you qualify for exemption from payment of any fee, please state the reason for exemption.



Reason for exemption from payment of fees, if any:		
F. Form of access to a record		

If you have a disability that prevents you from reading, viewing or listening to the record in any of the forms of access listed in sections 1 to 4 hereunder, please state your disability and indicate the form in which you require the record:

Disability:	
Form in which record is required:	

Notes:

- Compliance with your request in the specified form may depend on the form in which the record is available.
- Access in the form requested may be refused in certain circumstances, in which case you will be informed if access will be granted in another form.
- The fee payable for access to the record will partly be determined by the form in which access is requested.



Mark the appropriate box with an X:

1. If the record is in written or printed form:				
Copy of the record	Inspection of the record			
2. If the record consists of visual images (including photographs, slides, video recordings, computer-generated images, sketches etc.):				
View the images	View the images Co		opy the images Transcription of the images	
3. If the record consists of in sound:	recoi	rded words or infor	mation v	which can be reproduced
Listen to the recording		Transcription of	f the reco	ording (written or printed)
4. If the record is held on a computer, or in an electronic or machine-readable form:				
		Printed copy of information		Copy in machine-
G. Particulars of right to be exercised or protected If the space provided is not adequate, please continue on a separate sheet, sign it, and attach it to this form.				
1. Indicate which right is to b				



Explain why you need the requested recording to the recording to the requested recording to the	ord to exercise or protect the aforementioned
wish to be informed in some other manner, processes to be comply with your request:	est for access pplication has been approved or denied. If you blease specify it and give details to enable us to decision regarding your request for access to
SIGNED AT THIS	S DAY OF 20

WHOSE BEHALF THE REQUEST IS MADE