

Outline of section 4 of the act - Lawful processing of personal information

Section 4 is essentially a broad user's guide and sets out all of the conditions and prohibitions applicable to the processing of personal information and refers to specific sections of the Act that expand on these requirements.

In addition, it sets out a number of exclusions and exemptions to some of the conditions and refers to the sections within the Act that provide a full explanation. Read through sub-sections (2) to (7) of Section 4 to get an idea as to where in the Act the various exclusions and exemptions are covered.

The specific conditions are – (section of the act in brackets)

"Accountability" [section 8]

"Processing limitation" [sections 9 to 12]

"Purpose specification" [sections 13 and 14]

"Further processing limitation" [section 15]

"Information quality" [section 16]

"Openness" [sections 17 and 18]

"Security safeguards" [sections 19 to 22]

"Data subject participation" [sections 23 to 25]