

Parliament of The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

Personal Data Protection Act, No. 9 of 2022

VS Security Products role in Helping Organisations Achieve Key Requirements Outlined in the Sri Lanka Personal Data Protection Act.

In March 2022, Sri Lanka introduced the Personal Data Protection Act No. 09 of 2022 ("the Act"), aimed at safeguarding personal data while fostering digital economy growth and innovation.

The Act ensures protection for data subjects while promoting cross-border cooperation and interoperability among personal data protection frameworks. It establishes measures to safeguard personal data held by government entities, banks, telecom operators, hospitals, and other public and private entities involved in aggregating and processing personal data.

VS Security Products play a vital role in helping all organisations achieve the Sri Lanka Personal Data Protection Act, No. 9 of 2022. This is achieved by offering tailored data erasure and destruction solutions to enhance personal data protection and security in the following ways:

Personal Data Protection Act	How VS Security Products Helps
<p>Page 4 & 5 – Section 4, 5, & 6 <u>Processing of Personal Data</u></p> <p>“4. Every controller shall process personal data in compliance with the obligations specified under this Act.</p> <p>5. The processing of personal data shall be lawful if a controller is in compliance with— (a) any condition specified in Schedule I hereto; (b) any condition specified in Schedule II hereto in the case of processing special categories of personal data; (c) all the conditions specified in Schedule III hereto in the case of processing personal data based on the consent of the data subject under item (a) of Schedule I or under item (a) of Schedule II hereto; or (d) all the conditions specified in Schedule IV hereto in the case of processing personal data in respect of criminal investigations.</p> <p>6. (1) Every controller shall, ensure that personal data is processed for a— (a) specified; (b) explicit; and (c) legitimate, purposes and such personal data shall not be further processed in a manner which is incompatible with such purposes.”</p>	<p>VS Security products align with this section of the Sri Lanka Act by helping organisations and controllers adopt robust and efficient process in the destruction of personal data.</p> <p>Our innovative products empower banks, healthcare, Telecoms, Private, Government, and Public entities to safeguard confidential information by securely destroying active and inactive data containing sensitive information on data storage devices.</p> <p>By adopting VS Security Products, listed companies can address their end-of-life data security needs through our comprehensive range of solutions such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ <i>Degaussers</i>: SDD Master, DataGauss LG Max, DataGauss XL-LG, and DataGone LG PLUS ✓ <i>Crunch250</i>: Total data destruction technology solution ✓ <i>MediaGone 500 Shredder</i>: Shreds storage media into tiny pieces (under 4mm in width)
<p>Page 6 & 7 – Section 10 <u>Obligation to Maintain Integrity and Confidentiality</u></p> <p>“Every controller shall ensure integrity and confidentiality of personal data that is being processed, by using appropriate technical and organizational measures including encryption, pseudonymisation,</p>	<p>VS Security Products assist all organisations including government bodies in their obligations to maintain integrity and confidentiality of personal data through the implementation of secure and reliable data destruction procedures.</p> <p>Our technological solutions like the degaussers, shredders, and crushers ensure the successful destruction of confidential information (both active and inactive data) on media storage devices, thereby</p>

anonymisation or access controls or such other measures as may be prescribed so as to prevent the unauthorized or unlawful processing of personal data; or (b) loss, destruction or damage of personal data.”

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Accountability in the Processing of Personal Data

“(1) It shall be the duty of every controller to implement internal controls and procedures, (hereinafter referred to as the “Data Protection Management Programme”)

enhancing data security. This mitigates unauthorised or unlawful access, loss, theft, destruction, or damage to storage media containing personal data.

By using our range of data erasure, wiping, and destruction technological solutions, companies and controllers can achieve the following:

- ✓ *Control, monitor, and verify* that personal data are erased and destroyed in accordance to Sri Lanka Data Protection Act and regulatory standards.
- ✓ Our range of Degaussers, MediaGone 500 shredder, and Crunch250 total data erasure and destroyer products help institutions like Banks, Healthcare, Telecoms, Private, Public, and Government agencies comply with the provisions of the Data Protection Act.

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Right to Erasure

“Every data subject shall have the right to make a written request to the controller to have his personal data erased, under the following circumstances where (a) the processing of personal data is carried out in contravention of the obligations referred to in sections 5,6,7,8,9,10 and 11; (b) the data subject withdraws his consent upon which the processing is based, in accordance with item (a) of Schedule I or item (a) of Schedule II; (c) the requirement to erase personal data is required by any written law or on an order of a competent court to which the data subject or controller is subject to.”

VS Security products will assist the controller in achieving the Right to Erasure stipulated in this section of the Act.

By integrating our data destruction solutions into their Personal Data Protection procedure and policies, controller organisations can efficiently establish a safe and secure data erasure policy with our in-house data erasure and destruction solutions.

Our cutting-edge solutions that help fulfil this requirement of right to data erasure include the SDD Master, DataGauss LG Max, DataGauss XL-LG, and the DataGone LG PLUS range of *Degaussers* from VS Security Products.

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Personal Data Breach Notifications

“(1) In the event of a personal data breach, a controller shall notify the Authority, regarding such personal data breach in such form, manner and within such period of time as may be determined by rules made under this Act.”

VS Security solutions play a critical role in helping Controllers and Data Protection Officers to mitigate risk of personal data harm, breach, compromise, or unauthorised access.

Our advanced data solutions will help achieve this through:

- ✓ *Secure Data Disposal*: By securely destroying data stored on media storage devices using our solutions such as degaussers and crushers, companies can ensure that sensitive information cannot be accessed or transferred, whether intentionally or accidentally.
- ✓ *Comprehensive Data Erasure*: Our data degausser solutions effectively wipe data from storage devices, leaving no trace of sensitive information behind. This eliminates the risk of

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Measures to Mitigate Risks of Harm and the Requirement for Prior Consultation

“(1) Where a personal data protection impact assessment carried out under section 24 indicates that the processing is likely to result in a risk of harm to the rights of the data subjects guaranteed under this Act or any written law, a

controller shall take such measures to mitigate such risk of harm, prior to any processing of personal data.”

unauthorised access or transfer by malicious insiders or accidental exposure.

- ✓ *Regular Data Purging:* Implementing regular data purging practices ensures that outdated or unnecessary data is systematically removed from systems and storage devices using our range of Degaussers, shredder, and Crunch250 total data destroyer. This reduces the likelihood of unauthorized data sharing by limiting the amount of sensitive information available for access.

VS Security products contribute significantly to the role of all Government entities, Banks, Telecom operators, Hospitals, and other Public and Private entities involved in aggregating and processing personal data as established by the Sri Lanka Personal Data Protection Act, No. 9 of 2022.

Our innovative data destruction products help by offering reliable total data erasure and destruction solutions, ensuring compliance with regulatory standards, preventing unauthorised access, enhance personal data security, and compliance audits according to the Sri Lanka Personal Data Protection Act, No. 9 of 2022.