



THE STANDARDS COUNCIL OF CANADA
ANNUAL REPORT, 2011 - 2012
PRIVACY ACT

1. Introduction

The *Privacy Act* provides citizens with the right to access personal information held by the government and protection of that information against unauthorized use and disclosure.¹ As a federal Crown corporation, the Standards Council of Canada (SCC)'s policy endeavours to fully comply with both the spirit and letter of any legislation which may govern the release of specific information, including personal information. SCC is committed to protecting the privacy of all clients, stakeholders and employees. Personal information collected by the SCC is used only for the purpose for which it was collected.

Standards Council of Canada's Mandate

The mandate of the Standards Council of Canada is to promote efficient and effective voluntary standardization in Canada, where standardization is not expressly provided for by law and, in particular, to:

- a) promote the participation of Canadians in voluntary standards activities,
- b) promote public-private sector cooperation in relation to voluntary standardization in Canada,
- c) coordinate and oversee the efforts of the persons and organizations involved in the National Standards System,
- d) foster quality, performance and technological innovation in Canadian goods and services through standards-related activities, and
- e) develop standards-related strategies and long-term objectives, in order to

advance the national economy; support sustainable development; benefit the health; safety and welfare of workers and the public; assist and protect consumers; facilitate domestic and international trade and further international cooperation in relation to standardization.²

2. Organization of Privacy Act Activities

The role of the ATIP Coordinator is currently performed on a part-time basis due to the lack of requests received to date.

Any requests for formal access are directed to the ATIP Coordinator who is responsible to implement the search and retrieval of the requested information. The Head of the organization however is the only person with authority to respond to or direct a response to any inquiry that might be made pursuant to the Privacy Act.

The Standards Council of Canada maintains a company-wide file index and classification system. All personal information held by the Council resides within this classification system but is accessible solely by personnel staff (one director, one manager and one officer).

¹ Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat 2010

² Subsection 4.(1), *Standards Council of Canada Act*, R.S.C. 1970, c. 41 (1st Supp.), amended 1996, c. 24



3. Delegation Authority

The following official, by title, is responsible for the implementation of the *Privacy Act*: Corporate Planner (see appendices for delegation authority)

4. Statistical Report

For the period April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012, the Standards Council of Canada has received one formal requests for access to personal information.

5. Privacy-related training

As the Standards Council of Canada has only received one formal request, the impact of the *Privacy Act* on the Council has been minimal. SCC did not undertake any training related to the *Privacy Act* in 2011-12. A review of further training requirements will be undertaken in 2012-13.

6. New and/or revised institution-specific privacy related policies

The Standards Council of Canada did not implement any new or revised privacy related policies during the reporting period. As part of SCC's commitment to continual improvement, SCC provides support for its major programs and services and corporate functions through a quality management system (QMS). SCC's quality management system includes a quality document on handling of access to information and privacy requests. This document was reviewed in 2011-2012 to ensure that it was up-to-date with Treasury Board Secretariat (TBS) policies and directives. As a result of this review, SCC did not implement any new/or revised changes to its QMS document. SCC's own policies regarding the *Access to Information and Privacy Acts* are in compliance with the directives from TBS. With an established security policy, SCC exercises due diligence, due care and respects all relevant privacy provisions. Personal information is used only for the purpose for which it has been collected.

7. Complaints and/or investigations

The Standards Council of Canada had no complaints or investigations during this reporting period.

8. PIAs

The Standards Council of Canada has not initiated or completed any Privacy Impact Assessments (PIAs) during the 2011-2012 reporting period.

9. Disclosures

No disclosures were made by the Standards Council of Canada under paragraph 8 (2) (m) during the reporting period.



Statistical Report on the *Privacy Act*

Name of institution: Standards Council of Canada

Reporting period: 2011-04-01 to 31-Mar-12

PART 1 – Requests under the *Privacy Act*

	Number of Requests
Received during reporting period	1
Outstanding from previous reporting period	0
Total	1
Closed during reporting period	1
Carried over to next reporting period	0

PART 2 – Requests closed during the reporting period

2.1 Disposition and completion time

Disposition of requests	Completion Time							Total
	1 to 15 days	16 to 30 days	31 to 60 days	61 to 120 days	121 to 180 days	181 to 365 days	More than 365 days	
All disclosed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All exempted	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All excluded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No records exist	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Request abandoned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

2.2 Exemptions

Section	Number of requests	Section	Number of requests	Section	Number of requests
18(2)	0	22(1)(a)(i)	0	23(a)	0
19(1)(a)	0	22(1)(a)(ii)	0	23(b)	0
19(1)(b)	0	22(1)(a)(iii)	0	24(a)	0
19(1)(c)	0	22(1)(b)	0	24(b)	0
19(1)(d)	0	22(1)(c)	0	25	0
19(1)(e)	0	22(2)	0	26	0
19(1)(f)	0	22.1	0	27	0
20	0	22.2	0	28	0
21	0	22.3	0		

2.3 Exclusions

Section	Number of requests	Section	Number of requests	Section	Number of requests
69(1)(a)	0	70(1)(a)	0	70(1)(d)	0
69(1)(b)	0	70(1)(b)	0	70(1)(e)	0
69.1	0	70(1)(c)	0	70(1)(f)	0
				70.1	0

2.4 Format of information released

Disposition	Paper	Electronic	Other formats
All disclosed	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

2.5 Complexity

2.5.1 Relevant pages processed and disclosed

Disposition of requests	Number of pages processed	Number of pages disclosed	Number of requests
All disclosed	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	0	0	0
All exempted	0	0	0
All excluded	0	0	0
Request abandoned	0	0	0

2.5.2 Relevant pages processed and disclosed by size of requests

Disposition	Less than 100 pages processed		101-500 pages processed		501-1000 pages processed		1001-5000 pages processed		More than 5000 pages processed	
	Number of Requests	Pages disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages disclosed
All disclosed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All exempted	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All excluded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Abandoned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2.5.3 Other complexities

Disposition	Consultation required	Legal Advice Sought	Interwoven Information	Other	Total
All disclosed	0	0	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	0	0	0	0	0
All exempted	0	0	0	0	0
All excluded	0	0	0	0	0
Abandoned	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0

2.6 Deemed refusals

2.6.1 Reasons for not meeting statutory deadline

Number of requests closed past the statutory deadline	Principal Reason			
	Workload	External consultation	Internal consultation	Other
0	0	0	0	0

2.6.2 Number of days past deadline

Number of days past deadline	Number of requests past deadline where no extension was taken	Number of requests past deadline where an extension was taken	Total
1 to 15 days	0	0	0
16 to 30 days	0	0	0
31 to 60 days	0	0	0
61 to 120 days	0	0	0
121 to 180 days	0	0	0
181 to 365 days	0	0	0
More than 365 days	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

2.7 Requests for translation

Translation Requests	Accepted	Refused	Total
English to French	0	0	0
French to English	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

PART 3 – Disclosures under subsection 8(2)

Paragraph 8(2)(e)	Paragraph 8(2)(m)	Total
0	0	0

PART 4 – Requests for correction of personal information and notations

	Number
Requests for correction received	0
Requests for correction accepted	0
Requests for correction refused	0
Notations attached	0

PART 5 – Extensions

5.1 Reasons for extensions and disposition of requests

Disposition of requests where an extension was taken	15(a)(i) Interference with operations	15(a)(ii) Consultation		15(b) Translation or conversion
		Section 70	Other	
All disclosed	0	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	0	0	0	0
All exempted	0	0	0	0
All excluded	0	0	0	0
No records exist	0	0	0	0
Request abandoned	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

5.2 Length of extensions

Length of extensions	15(a)(i) Interference with operations	15(a)(ii) Consultation		15(b) Translation purposes
		Section 70	Other	
1 to 15 days	0	0	0	0
16 to 30 days	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

PART 6 – Consultations received from other institutions and organizations

6.1 Consultations received from other government institutions and organizations

Consultations	Other government institutions	Number of pages to review	Other organizations	Number of pages to review
Received during the reporting period	0	0	0	0
Outstanding from the previous reporting period	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0
Closed during the reporting period	0	0	0	0
Pending at the end of the reporting period	0	0	0	0

6.2 Recommendations and completion time for consultations received from other government institutions

Recommendation	Number of days required to complete consultation requests							Total
	1 to 15 days	16 to 30 days	31 to 60 days	61 to 120 days	121 to 180 days	181 to 365 days	than 365 days	
Disclose entirely	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disclose in part	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exempt entirely	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exclude entirely	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Consult other institution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

6.3 Recommendations and completion time for consultations received from other organizations

Recommendation	Number of days required to complete consultation requests							Total
	1 to 15 days	16 to 30 days	31 to 60 days	61 to 120 days	121 to 180 days	181 to 365 days	than 365 days	
Disclose entirely	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disclose in part	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exempt entirely	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exclude entirely	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Consult other institution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

PART 7 – Completion time of consultations on Cabinet confidences

Number of days	Number of responses received	Number of responses received past deadline
1 to 15	0	0
16 to 30	0	0
31 to 60	0	0
61 to 120	0	0
121 to 180	0	0
181 to 365	0	0
More than 365	0	0
Total	0	0

PART 8 – Resources related to the *Privacy Act*

8.1 Costs

Expenditures		Amount
Salaries		\$50
Overtime		\$0
Goods and Services		\$0
• Contracts for privacy impact assessments	\$0	
• Professional services contracts	\$0	
• Other	\$0	
Total		\$50

8.2 Human Resources

Resources	Dedicated full-time	Dedicated part-time	Total
Full-time employees	0.00	0.01	0.01
Part-time and casual employees	0.00	0.00	0.00
Regional staff	0.00	0.00	0.00
Consultants and agency personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00
Students	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	0.00	0.01	0.01