



FRANCHISE PRIVACY NOTICE

Protecting your privacy is important to us. We strive to do business in a manner that justifies you choosing H&R Block®. We are providing you this privacy notice as required by law. This privacy notice explains the types of information we may collect from and about you or your business, how we may use or disclose that information, your rights with respect to your information, and how we protect that information.

Who This Privacy Notice Covers

You are at an independently owned, franchised H&R Block® office. This notice, including information about our security practices, applies to personal and business information we collect when we provide tax preparation and related products and services to customers and former customers of this H&R Block® franchise. This notice applies to this franchise office only and not to any other H&R Block® entity or Pathward, National Association, an FDIC insured member institution. H&R Block® company-owned offices operate under a similar, but separate, privacy notice. If you are doing business with these companies, you should consult that business's privacy notice. This notice does not apply to information we collect for non-H&R Block® products or services.

Categories of Information We May Collect

We collect various information about you, your spouse, your dependents, your business, and other individuals (e.g., employees as part of providing business services) in order to provide services to you. This information may include:

- **Contact Information** (e.g., name, and email address);
- **Dates of Birth**;
- **Social Security Numbers** and other government identification numbers (e.g., EIN and ITIN);
- **Financial Information** (e.g., income, revenue, assets, credits, deductions, and expenses);
- **Payment Data** (e.g., checking, debit and credit account numbers and balances and payment history);
- **Payroll Information** (related to business services);
- **Log-In Information** (only if you choose to provide); and
- **Demographic Information**.

We collect this information from the following categories and sources:

- Information you voluntarily provide, for example when you request services or information from us, enter contests or sweepstakes, or complete surveys or polls. If you choose not to provide certain information we request, we may be unable to serve you as our products, services, tools, or calculators may rely upon this information.
- Information related to transactions that you complete or propose to complete with us, our franchisor, its affiliates (companies we control or that are under common control or ownership), or certain non-affiliated third parties.
- Information from others, such as our affiliates, our franchisees, or business partners, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), other government entities, and certain non-affiliated third parties (e.g., credit reporting agencies).

How We May Use or Disclose Information about You

Our use and disclosure of your information is controlled by various laws, regulations, and other legal requirements, as well as our internal policies. We may use or disclose information that we collect, subject to the terms of this privacy notice and consistent with applicable law. The examples contained in this notice are illustrations; they are not intended to be exclusive.

- Where permitted or required by law, we may use or disclose your information for our normal business purposes such as to process your transactions, maintain your account(s), respond to court orders and legal investigations, or report to credit bureaus. This may include assigning you a unique identifier or disclosures to the IRS.
- We may disclose your information to our franchisor or our service providers who perform business functions on our behalf (including service providers who perform "auxiliary services" in connection with tax return preparation, as permitted by IRC Section 7216, and service

providers who help deliver advertising tailored to your interests). With your consent or where otherwise permitted by law, we may also disclose your information to joint marketers and business partners (including other financial companies) with whom we, our franchisor, or its affiliates have joint marketing agreements. We require all service providers (including marketing service providers) to have written contracts with us that require them to safeguard your information and prohibit them from selling, retaining, using or disclosing your information for any purpose other than for the specific purpose of performing the contract.

- As permitted by law, we may use, or disclose your information to our franchisor or other H&R Block affiliates for their everyday business purposes, such as, to support the products and services you request or offer you additional products or services. This may include delivery of newsletters and publications. In certain situations involving information collected for tax return preparation, we may be required to have your consent before we disclose this information.
- We do not sell or rent your information. We retain your information in accordance with our document retention policies, applicable laws, and as needed to serve you.
- We may disclose your information (individually or in aggregate form) to our franchisor, other H&R Block® companies, or non-affiliated third parties (including government entities) when we have a good faith belief that such disclosure is required or permitted by law. This may occur, for example, in connection with a court order, legal process, or other judicial, administrative or investigative proceeding. This may occur in other situations as part of our business operations (including disclosures as part of the sale of our business).

How We Protect Your Information

We maintain physical, electronic, and administrative policies and procedures designed to restrict access to your information. These include programs and specifications for physical security and records retention and disposal; computer and communication security measures reflected in system design, password protection, and data management practices; and other measures to restrict access to the data we hold in physical and electronic forms. In the event of a data security incident, we will notify you as permitted by law which may include by email, mail, or telephone.

How to Limit Direct Marketing Contact and Sharing of Your Information

As permitted by law, we may share your information with our affiliates and non-affiliates to market their respective products and services to you. If at any time you wish to limit the offers or promotions you receive from us or our affiliates or our sharing your information with our affiliates or nonaffiliates, you may call 1-800-HRBLOCK. We will use reasonable efforts to comply with your request. In these situations, it may still be necessary for us to send you information from time to time about transactions or accounts you have with us.

Changes to this Privacy Notice

We reserve the right to change this privacy notice and any of the policies described in this notice at any time, consistent with applicable law. If we make a material change to this notice, we will notify you by using one of the following methods: (1) we will post a notice on our web site describing the change; or (2) we will hand deliver or send you regular or electronic mail notifying you of the change.