



Personally Identifiable Information (PII) Website Security Checklist

To ensure the security and privacy of Personally Identifiable Information (PII) collected through your website, follow the actionable items below. For a more detailed explanation, please refer to our comprehensive article at insights.brighter.com.au/pii-security

Inform and Obtain Consent from Users

- Clearly inform users about data collection and its purpose
- Obtain explicit consent before collecting PII

Secure Data Storage

- Ensure form field data is encrypted when stored
- Implement access controls for authorised personnel only
- Keep your website system up to date (ie. Brighter Maintenance Plan)

Data Retention

- Enforce data retention settings on your web forms
- Make sure you have a process in place for easy data deletion by user-request

Email Notifications

- Avoid including sensitive PII in emails
- Use encryption methods like TLS for email security
- Train staff on secure email handling and phishing recognition

External System Integrations

- Secure API connections with strong authentication (e.g., OAuth)
- Conduct regular audits of PII within third-party service providers

General Security Practices:

- Use MFA (multi-factor authentication) for your website CMS
- Schedule regular website security assessments and vulnerability scans
- Establish an incident response plan for data breaches
- Provide staff training on data protection and security practices