

## Privacy Policy

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### **Introduction**

The Dot Twin Cities, a Minnesota Non-Profit Corporation, (the “**Company**” or “**We**”) respect your privacy and is committed to protecting it through our compliance with this policy.

This policy describes the types of information that we may collect from you or that you may provide when you visit our website thedotwincities.com, mobile apps, products, or services (collectively, our “**Services**”) and our practices for collecting, using, maintaining, protecting, and/or disclosing that information.

This policy applies to information we collect:

- On the Services.
- In email, text, and other electronic messages between you and the Services.
- When you interact with the Company’s advertising and applications on third-party websites and services, if those applications or advertising include links to this policy.

It does not apply to information collected by:

- The Company offline or through any other means, including on any other website operated by Company or any third party (including the Company’s affiliates and subsidiaries); or
- Any third party (including the Company’s affiliates and subsidiaries), including through any application or content (including advertising) that may link to or be accessible from or through the Services.

Please read this policy carefully to understand the Company’s policies and practices regarding your information and how we will treat it. If you do not agree with our policies and practices, your choice is to not use the Services. By accessing or using the Services, you agree to this privacy policy. This policy may change from time to time (see *Changes to Our Privacy Policy*). Your continued use of the Services after we make changes is deemed to be acceptance of those changes, so please check the policy periodically for updates.

### **Children Under the Age of 13**

The Services are not intended for children under 18 years of age. No one under age 18 may provide any personal information to or on the Services. We do not knowingly collect personal information from children under 18. If you are under 18, do not use or provide any information on the Services. If we learn we have collected or received personal information from a child under 18 without verification of parental consent,

we will delete that information. If you believe we might have any information from or about a child under 18, please contact the Company immediately.

### **Information We Collect About You and How We Collect It**

We collect several types of information from and about users of the Services, including information:

- By which you may be personally identified, such as name, postal address, email address, or telephone number (“**personal information**”);
- That is about you but individually does not identify you; and/or
- About your internet connection, the equipment you use to access the Services, and usage details.

We collect this information:

- Directly from you when you provide it to the Company.
- Automatically as you navigate through the Services. Information collected automatically may include usage details, IP addresses, and information collected through cookies.
- From third parties, for example, the Company’s business partners.

### ***Information that You Provide to the Company***

The information that we collect on or through the Services may include:

- Information that you provide by filling in forms within the Services. This includes information provided at the time of subscribing to the Company’s service, such as your credit card information. We may also ask you for information when you enter a contest or promotion sponsored by the Company, and when you report a problem with the Services.
- Records and copies of your correspondence (including email addresses), if you contact the Company.
- Details of transactions you carry out through the Services and of the fulfillment of your orders. You may be required to provide financial information before placing an order through the Services.

### ***Information that We Collect through Automatic Data Collection Technologies***

As you navigate through and interact with the Services, we may use automatic data collection technologies to collect certain information about your equipment, browsing actions, and patterns, including:

- Details of your visits to the Services, and other communication data and the resources that you access and use on the Services.

- Information about your computer and internet connection, including your IP address, operating system, and browser type.

The information that we collect automatically includes personal information. It helps us to improve the Services and to deliver a better and more personalized service, including by enabling the Company to:

- Estimate the Company's audience size and usage patterns.
- Store information about your preferences, allowing the Company to customize the Services according to your individual interests.
- Speed up your searches.
- Recognize you when you return to the Services.

The technologies that we use for this automatic data collection may include:

- **Cookies (or browser cookies).** A "cookie" is a small file placed on the hard drive of your computer. You may refuse to accept browser cookies by activating the appropriate setting on your browser. However, if you select this setting you may be unable to access certain parts of the Services. Unless you have adjusted your browser setting so that it will refuse cookies, the Company's system will issue cookies when you direct your browser to the Services.
- **Web Beacons.** Pages of the Services and the Company's emails may contain small electronic files known as "web beacons" (also referred to as clear gifs, pixel tags, and single-pixel gifs) that permit the Company, for example, to count users who have visited those pages or opened an email and for other related website statistics (for example, recording the popularity of certain website content and verifying system and server integrity).

We do not collect personal information automatically, but we may tie non-personal information collected automatically to personal information about you that we collect from other sources or that you provide to the Company.

### **Third-Party Use of Cookies**

Some content or applications, including advertisements, on the Services are served by third parties, including advertisers, ad networks and servers, content providers, and/or application providers. Third parties may use cookies to collect information about you when you use the Services. The information they collect may be associated with your personal information or they may collect information, including personal information, about your online activities over time and across different websites and other online services. Third parties may use this information to provide you with interest-based (behavioral) advertising or other targeted content.

We do not control these third parties' tracking technologies or how they may be used. If you have any questions about an advertisement or other targeted content, you should contact the responsible provider directly. For information about how you can

opt out of receiving targeted advertising from many providers, see *Choices About How We Use and Disclose Your Information*.

### **How We Use Your Information**

We use information that we collect about you or that you provide to us, including any personal information:

- To present the Services and its contents to you.
- To provide you with information, products, or services that you request from the Company.
- To fulfill any other purpose for which you provide it.
- To provide you with notices about your account, including expiration and renewal notices.
- To carry out the Company's obligations and enforce its rights arising from any contracts entered into, including for billing and collection.
- To notify you about changes to the Services or any products or services that we offer or provide through it.
- In any other way we may describe when you provide the information.
- For any other purpose with your consent.

### **Disclosure of Your Information**

We may disclose aggregated information about our users without restriction. We may disclose personal information that we collect or you provide as described in this privacy policy:

- To the Company's subsidiaries and affiliates.
- To contractors, service providers, and other third parties that we use to support the Company's business.
- To a buyer or other successor in the event of a merger, divestiture, restructuring, reorganization, dissolution, or other sale or transfer of some or all of the Company's assets, whether as a going concern or as part of bankruptcy, liquidation, or similar proceeding, in which personal information held by the Company about the Services users is among the assets transferred.
- To third parties to market their products or services to you if you have consented to these disclosures.
- To fulfill the purpose for which you provide it.
- For any other purpose disclosed by the Company when you provide the information.
- With your consent.

We may also disclose your personal information:

- To comply with any court order, law, or legal process, including to respond to any government or regulatory request.
- To enforce or apply the Company's terms of use and other agreements, including for billing and collection purposes.
- If we believe disclosure is necessary or appropriate to protect the rights, property, or safety of the Company, its customers, or others.

### **Choices About How We Use and Disclose Your Information**

We strive to provide you with choices regarding the personal information you provide to the Company. We have created mechanisms to provide you with the following control over your information:

- **Tracking Technologies and Advertising.** You can set your browser to refuse all or some browser cookies, or to alert you when cookies are being sent. If you disable or refuse cookies, please note that some parts of the Services may then be inaccessible or not function properly.
- **Promotional Offers from the Company.** If you do not wish to have your contact information used by the Company to promote our own or third parties' products or services, you can opt-out by checking the relevant box located on the form on which we collect your data or by sending the Company an email stating your request to [thedottwincities@gmail.com](mailto:thedottwincities@gmail.com). If we have sent you a promotional email, you may send the Company a return email asking to be omitted from future email distributions.

### **Your State Privacy Rights**

State consumer privacy laws may provide their residents with additional rights regarding the Company use of their personal information.

California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Indiana, Iowa, Montana, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, and Virginia provide (now or in the future) their state residents with rights to:

- Confirm whether we process personal information.
- Access and delete certain personal information.
- Correct inaccuracies in their personal information, taking into account the information's nature processing purpose (excluding Iowa and Utah).
- Data portability.
- Opt-out of personal data processing for:
  - targeted advertising (excluding Iowa);
  - sales; or

- profiling in furtherance of decisions that produce legal or similarly significant effects (excluding Iowa and Utah).
- Either limit (opt-out of) or require consent to process sensitive personal data.

The exact scope of these rights may vary by state. To exercise any of these rights please contact [thedottwincities@gmail.com](mailto:thedottwincities@gmail.com).

### **Data Security**

We have implemented measures designed to secure your personal information from accidental loss and from unauthorized access, use, alteration, and disclosure.

The safety and security of your information also depends on you. Where we have given you (or where you have chosen) a password for access to certain parts of the Services, you are responsible for keeping this password confidential. We ask you not to share your password with anyone. Unfortunately, the transmission of information via the Internet is not completely secure. Although we strive to protect your personal information, we cannot guarantee the security of your personal information transmitted to the Services. Any transmission of personal information is at your own risk. We are not responsible for circumvention of any privacy settings or security measures contained on the Services.

### **Changes to Our Privacy Policy**

The Company's policy is to post any changes that we make to the privacy policy on this page of the website. If we make material changes to how we treat the Company's users' personal information, we will notify you. The date the privacy policy was last revised is identified at the top of the page.

### **Contact Information**

To ask questions or comment about this privacy policy and our privacy practices, contact us at: [thedottwincities@gmail.com](mailto:thedottwincities@gmail.com).