# **ApiaryHives Privacy Policy**

ApiaryHives (the "Apiary") is committed to maintaining robust privacy protections for its users. Our Privacy Policy ("ApiaryHives Privacy Policy") is designed to help you understand how we collect, use and safeguard the information you provide to us and to assist you in making informed decisions when using our Web Application.

For purposes of this Agreement, "Apiary" refers to the Company's website, which can be accessed at https://apiaryhives.org/.

"Apiary" refers to the Company's services accessed via the Web Application, in which users can communicate directly with coworkers through the chat box feature. Connect with one or more peers, utilizing group chats with the ability to send images, pdfs, and other file types. Working as a team has never been made easier with the sleek and modern design of the main dashboard. Having the capability of seeing current posts, company-wide announcements, and departmental reminders allows for a simple way to stay on task for the company's current initiatives. Safety is a top priority in any group setting, so finding a quick way to report any interpersonal workplace challenges is vital. Fill out a small form providing details of the incident that will instantly be sent to the admin accounts and HR. The terms "we," "us," and "our" refer to the Company.

"You" refers to you, as a user of our Web Application or "Apiary".

By accessing our Web Application or "Apiary", you accept our Privacy Policy and Terms of Use (found here: https://apiaryhives.org/info/terms-of-service.pdf), and you consent to our collection, storage, use, and disclosure of your Personal Information as described in this Privacy Policy.

### I. INFORMATION WE COLLECT

We collect "Non-Personal Information" and "Personal Information." **Non-Personal Information** includes information that cannot be used to personally identify you, such as anonymous usage data, general demographic information we may collect, referring/exit pages and URLs, platform types, preferences you submit and preferences that are generated based on the data you submit and a number of clicks. **Personal Information** includes your email, first and last name, and phone number, which you submit to us through the registration process at the Web Application.

### 1. Information collected via Technology

To activate "Apiary" you do not need to submit any Personal Information other than your email address, first and last name, and phone number. To use "Apiary" thereafter, you do not need to submit further Personal Information. However, in an effort to improve the quality of "Apiary", we track information provided to us by your browser or by our software application when you view or use "Apiary", such as the website you came from (known as the "referring URL"), the type of browser you use, the device from which you connected to "Apiary", the time and date of access, and other information that does not personally identify you. We track this information using cookies, or small text files which

include an anonymous unique identifier. Cookies are sent to a user's browser from our servers and are stored on the user's computer hard drive. Sending a cookie to a user's browser enables us to collect Non-Personal information about that user and keep a record of the user's preferences when utilizing our services, both on an individual and aggregate basis. For example, the Company may use cookies to collect the following information:

· Preferences

The Company may use both persistent and session cookies; persistent cookies remain on your computer after you close your session and until you delete them, while session cookies expire when you close your browser.

- 2. Information you provide us by registering for an account
  - First and last name
  - Email address
  - Phone number

In addition to the information provided automatically by your browser when you visit the Web Application, to become a subscriber to "Apiary" you will need to create a personal profile. You can create a profile by registering with the Web Application and entering your email address and creating a username and a password. By registering, you are authorizing us to collect, store and use your email address in accordance with this Privacy Policy.

# 3. Children's Privacy

The Web Application and "Apiary" are not directed to anyone under the age of 13. The Web Application does not knowingly collect or solicit information from anyone under the age of 13, or allow anyone under the age of 13 to sign up for "Apiary". In the event that we learn that we have gathered personal information from anyone under the age of 13 without the consent of a parent or guardian, we will delete that information as soon as possible. If you believe we have collected such information, please contact us at jane@apiaryhives.org.

### II. HOW WE USE AND SHARE INFORMATION

### *Personal Information:*

Except as otherwise stated in this Privacy Policy, we do not sell, trade, rent, or otherwise share for marketing purposes your Personal Information with third parties without your consent. We do share Personal Information with vendors who are performing services for the Company, such as the servers for our email communications who are provided access to the user's email address for purposes of sending emails from us. Those vendors use your Personal Information only at our direction and in accordance with our Privacy Policy. In general, the Personal Information you provide to us is used to help us communicate with you. For example, we use Personal Information to contact users in response to questions, solicit feedback from users, provide technical support, and inform users about promotional offers.

We may share Personal Information with outside parties if we have a good-faith belief that access, use, preservation, or disclosure of the information is reasonably necessary to meet any applicable legal process or enforceable governmental request; to enforce applicable *Privacy Policy* 

Terms of Service, including investigation of potential violations; address fraud, security or technical concerns; or to protect against harm to the rights, property, or safety of our users or the public as required or permitted by law.

# Non-Personal Information:

In general, we use Non-Personal Information to help us improve "Apiary" and customize the user experience. We also aggregate Non-Personal Information in order to track trends and analyze use patterns on the Web Application. This Privacy Policy does not limit in any way our use or disclosure of Non-Personal Information and we reserve the right to use and disclose such Non-Personal Information to our partners, advertisers, and other third parties at our discretion.

In the event we undergo a business transaction such as a merger, acquisition by another company, or sale of all or a portion of our assets, your Personal Information may be among the assets transferred. You acknowledge and consent that such transfers may occur and are permitted by this Privacy Policy and that any acquirer of our assets may continue to process your Personal Information as set forth in this Privacy Policy. If our information practices change at any time in the future, we will post the policy changes to the Site so that you may opt out of the new information practices. We suggest that you check the Web Application periodically if you are concerned about how your information is used.

## III. HOW WE PROTECT INFORMATION

We implement security measures designed to protect your information from unauthorized access. Your account is protected by your account password and we urge you to take steps to keep your personal information safe by not disclosing your password and by logging out of your account after each use. We further protect your information from potential security breaches by implementing certain technological security measures including encryption, firewalls, and secure socket layer technology. However, these measures do not guarantee that your information will not be accessed, disclosed, altered, or destroyed by a breach of such firewalls and secure server software. By using "Apiary", you acknowledge that you understand and agree to assume these risks.

### IV. YOUR RIGHTS REGARDING THE USE OF YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

You have the right at any time to prevent us from contacting you for marketing purposes. When we send promotional communication to a user, the user can opt out of further promotional communications by following the unsubscribe instructions provided in each promotional e-mail. You can also indicate that you do not wish to receive marketing communications from us in the Profile section of the Web Application. Please note that notwithstanding the promotional preferences you indicate by either unsubscribing or opting out on the Profile page of the Web Application, we may continue to send you administrative emails including, for example, periodic updates to our Privacy Policy.

### V. LINKS TO OTHER WEBSITES

As part of the Service, we may provide links to or compatibility with other websites or applications. However, we are not responsible for the privacy practices employed by those *Privacy Policy* 

websites or the information or content they contain. This Privacy Policy applies solely to information collected by us through the Web Application and "Apiary". Therefore, this Privacy Policy does not apply to your use of a third party website accessed by selecting a link on our Web Application or via "Apiary". To the extent that you access or use "Apiary" through or on another website or application, then the privacy policy of that other website or application will apply to your access or use of that site or application. We encourage our users to read the privacy statements of other websites before proceeding to use them.

### VI. CHANGES TO OUR PRIVACY POLICY

The Company reserves the right to change this policy and our Terms of Service at any time. We will notify you of significant changes to our Privacy Policy by sending a notice to the primary email address specified in your account or by placing a prominent notice on our site. Significant changes will go into effect 30 days following such notification. Non-material changes or clarifications will take effect immediately. You should periodically check the Web Application and this privacy page for updates.

## VII. CONTACT US

If you have any questions regarding this Privacy Policy or the practices of this Site, please contact us by sending an email to <a href="mailto:afton@apiaryhives.org">afton@apiaryhives.org</a>.

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