

# STILLWATER COUNTY WEBSITE PRIVACY POLICY

## I. Purpose

This privacy policy discloses the privacy practices for [StillwaterCountymt.gov](http://StillwaterCountymt.gov), which is operated by Stillwater County, Montana. This privacy policy applies solely to information collected by this website. It will notify you of the following:

1. What personally identifiable information is collected from you through the website, how it is used and with whom it may be shared.
2. What choices are available to you regarding the use of your data.
3. The security procedures in place to protect the misuse of your information.
4. How you can correct any inaccuracies in the information.

## II. Scope

This Policy applies to the collection of personal identifiable information as required by the "Governmental Internet Information Policy Act," Mont. Code Ann. §§ 2-17-550 through 2-17-553.

## III. Information Collection, Use, and Sharing

We are the sole owners of the information collected on this site. We only have access to/collect information that you voluntarily give us via email or other direct contact from you. We will not sell or rent this information to anyone.

We will use your information to respond to you, regarding the reason you contacted us. We will not share your information with any third party outside of our organization, other than as necessary to fulfill your request, e.g. to answer a question, ship an order, etc.

Unless you ask us not to, we may contact you via email in the future to tell you about new services or changes to this privacy policy.

## IV. Your Access to and Control Over Information

You may opt out of any future contacts from us at any time. You can do the following at any time by contacting us via the email address or phone number given on our website:

- See what data we have about you, if any.
- Change/correct any data we have about you.
- Have us delete any data we have about you.
- Express any concern you have about our use of your data.

## V. Security

We take precautions to protect your information. When you submit sensitive information via the website, your information is protected both online and offline.

Wherever we collect sensitive information, that information is encrypted and transmitted to us in a secure way. You can verify this by looking for a closed lock icon at the bottom of your web browser, or looking for "https" at the beginning of the address of the web page.

While we use encryption to protect sensitive information transmitted online, we also protect your information offline. Only employees who need the information to perform a specific job (for example, billing or customer service) are granted access to personally identifiable information. The computers/servers in which we store personally identifiable information are kept in a secure environment.

## **VI. Updates**

Our Privacy Policy may change from time to time and all updates will be posted on this page.

## **VII. Cookies**

We use "cookies" on this site. A cookie is a piece of data stored on a site visitor's hard drive to help us improve your access to our site and identify repeat visitors to our site. For instance, when we use a cookie to identify you, you would not have to log in a password more than once, thereby saving time while on our site. Cookies can also enable us to track and target the interests of our users to enhance the experience on our site. Usage of a cookie is in no way linked to any personally identifiable information on our site.

Google Analytics is a web analysis service provided by Google. Google utilizes the data collected to track and examine the use of [www.StillwaterCountyMT.gov](http://www.StillwaterCountyMT.gov), to prepare reports on its activities and share them with other Google services.

Google may use the data collected to contextualize and personalize the ads of its own advertising network.

Personal data collected: Cookie and Usage Data. Place of processing: USA. You can view Google's privacy policy here: <http://www.google.com/policies/privacy/>

## **VIII. Sharing**

We do not share any personally identifiable information or data with outside partners or individuals.

## **IX. Links**

This website contains links to other sites. Please be aware that we are not responsible for the content or privacy practices of such other sites. We encourage our users to be aware when they leave our site and to read the privacy statements of any other site that collects personally identifiable information.

## **X. Surveys**

From time-to-time our site requests information via surveys. Participation in these surveys is completely voluntary and you may choose whether or not to participate and therefore disclose this information. Information requested may include contact information (such as name and shipping address), and demographic information (such as zip code, age level). Survey information will be used for purposes of monitoring or improving the use and satisfaction of this site. If a specific County Department is conducting a survey, please contact that Department directly for data collection purposes.

If you feel that we are not abiding by this privacy policy, you should contact us immediately via telephone at (406)322-8050 or [cbaker@stillwatercountymt.gov](mailto:cbaker@stillwatercountymt.gov)

**\*Adopted into Stillwater County policy September 27, 2016 by the Board of County Commissioners.**