



**Information
Policy**

Technology

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1. Intent:

Increased protection of information and Information Technology Resources to assure the usability and availability of resources to all users of "Dhara Motor Finance Ltd". The Policy also addresses privacy and usage guidelines for those who access Dhara Motor's Information Technology Resources.

2. Purpose:

Dhara Motor Finance Ltd recognizes the vital role of information technology in effective business of the company as well as the importance of protecting information in all forms. As more information is being used and shared in digital format by Dhara Motor's IT resources authorized users, the need for an increased effort to protect the information and the technology resources that support it, is felt by Dhara Motor and hence this Policy introduced.

Since a limited amount of personal use of these facilities is available to the users, including computers, printers, e-mail and Internet access, therefore, it is essential that these facilities are used responsibly, as any abuse has the potential to disrupt company business and interfere with the work and/or rights of other users. It is therefore expected of all users to exercise responsibly and ethical behavior while using Dhara Motor's Information Technology facilities.

3. Reference:

In this Policy, a reference to the following word(s) shall have the following meanings assigned to it.

3.1. Information Technology Resources:

Information Technology Resources for purposes of this Policy include, but are not limited to, Dhara Motor owned or those used under license or contract or those devices not owned by Dhara Motor but intentionally connected to Dhara Motor -owned Information Technology Resources such as computer hardware, printers, fax machines, voice-mail, software, e-mail and Internet and intranet access.

3.2. User:

Anyone who has access to Dhara Motor's Information Technology Resources, including but not limited to, all employees, temporary employees, probationers, contractors, vendors and suppliers.

3.3. Policy:

This Policy includes within its purview the following referred Policies

- *The General Information Technology Usage Policy*
- *The Software Licensing Policy*
- *The Internet and Intranet Usage Policy*
- *The E-mail Usage Policy*
- *The Helpdesk Process*
- *The Business Continuity Planning and Disaster Recovery*

4. **Policy:**

The use of the Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's information technology resources in connection with Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's business and limited personal use is a privilege but not a right, extended to various users. The privilege carries with it the responsibility of using the Users of Dhara Motor Finance Ltd 's Information Technology resources efficiently and responsibly.

By accessing Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's Information Technology Resources, the user agrees to comply with this Policy. Users also agree to comply with the applicable laws and all governing contracts and licenses and to refrain from engaging in any activity that would subject Dhara Motor Finance Ltd to any liability. Dhara Motor Finance Ltd reserves the right to amend these policies and practices at any time without prior notice.

Any action that may expose Dhara Motor Finance Ltd to risks of unauthorized access to data, disclosure of information, legal liability, or other potential system failure is prohibited and may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment and/or criminal prosecution.

5. **Scope**

*This policy applies to **everyone who, in India, has access to Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's Information Technology Resources and it shall be the responsibility of all Branch Managers in the Branches and IT Head at the corporate office to ensure that this policy is clearly communicated, understood and followed by all users.***

This Policy also applies to all contracted staff and vendors/suppliers providing services to Dhara Motor Finance Ltd that bring them into contact with Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's Information Technology resources. The HR / Admin department and the respective Branch Managers who contracts for these services shall be responsible to provide the contractor/vendor/supplier with a copy of this Policy before any access is given to them.

These policies cover the usage of all of the Company's Information Technology and communication resources, whether they are owned or leased by the company or are under the company's possession, custody, or control, including but not limited to:

- *All computer-related equipment, including desktop personal computers (PCs), portable PCs, terminals, workstations, wireless computing devices, telecomm equipment, networks, databases, printers, servers and shared computers, and all networks and hardware to which this equipment is connected.*
- *All electronic communications equipment, including telephones, pagers, radio communicators, voice-mail, e-mail, fax machines, PDAs, wired or wireless communications devices and services, Internet and intranet and other on-line services.*
- *All software including purchased or licensed business software applications, Dhara Motor Finance Ltd -written applications, employee or vendor/supplier-written applications, computer operating systems, firmware, and any other software residing on Dhara Motor Finance Ltd -owned equipment.*
- *All intellectual property and other data stored on Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's Information technology equipment.*
- *These policies also apply to all users, whether on Company property or otherwise, connected from remote connections via any networked connection, or using Company equipment.*

6. General standards for acceptable use of Dhara Motor Finance Ltd Information Technology resources require:

- *Responsible behavior with respect to the electronic information environment at all times.*
- *Compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's policies*
- *Respect for the rights and property of others including intellectual property rights*
- *Behavior consistent with the privacy and integrity of electronic networks, electronic data and information and electronic infrastructure and systems.*

7. General Information Technology Usage Policy

7.1. Passwords

- *Individual password security is the responsibility of each user.*
- *Every Laptop/PC/Device is secure with a password and It is a strictly advised to each user to do not change his/her password without intimate to IT Department.*
- *Passwords are an essential component of Dhara Motor Finance Ltd 's computer and network security systems. To ensure that these systems perform effectively, the users must choose passwords that are difficult to guess. This means that passwords must not be related to your job or personal life. This also means passwords should not be a single word found in the dictionary or some other part of speech.*
- *To make guessing more difficult, passwords should also be at least Seven characters long. To ensure that a compromised password is not misused on a long-term basis, users are encouraged to change passwords every 30 days. Password history would be maintained for previous three passwords. This applies to the Systems Logon (windows password) and Cloud Mail passwords.*

- *Passwords must not be stored in readable form in batch files, automatic log-in scripts, software macros, terminal function keys, in computers without access control systems, or in other locations where unauthorized persons might discover them. Passwords must not be written down and left in a place where unauthorized persons might discover them. Immediately upon assignment of the initial password and in all cases of password "reset" situations, the password must be immediately changed by the user to ensure confidentiality of all information.*
- *Under no circumstances, Users shall use another user's account or password without proper authorization.*
- *Under no circumstances, the user must share his/her password(s) with other user(s), unless the said user has obtained from the concerned Branch Manager/IT Head the necessary approval in this regard. In cases where the password(s) is/are shared in accordance with the above, the user shall be responsible for changing the said password(s) immediately upon the completion of the task for which the password(s) was shared.*
- *In cases where no prior approval had been obtained for sharing of password(s) with other user(s), such user shall be completely responsible for all consequences that shall follow in respect of breach of this Policy and Dhara Motor Finance Ltd shall initiate appropriate disciplinary proceedings against the said user.*

7.2. Access Control

- *All Dhara Motor Finance Ltd computers that are either permanently or temporarily connected to the internal computer networks must have a password-based access control system. Regardless of the network connections, all computers handling confidential information must also employ appropriate password-based access control systems.*
- *All in-bound connections to Dhara Motor Finance Ltd computers from external networks must be protected with an approved password or ID access control system. Modems may only be used at Dhara Motor Finance Ltd after receiving the written approval of the IT Head and must be turned off when not in use.*
- *All access control systems must utilize user-IDs, passwords and privilege restrictions unique to each user. Users are prohibited from logging into any Dhara Motor Finance Ltd system anonymously. To prevent unauthorized access all vendor-supplied default passwords must be changed before Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's use.*
- *Access to the server room is restricted for everyone and only recognized IT staff or someone with due authorization from IT Head is permitted to enter the room.*
- *Users shall not make copies of system configuration files (e.g. Passwords, etc) for their own, unauthorized personal use or to provide to other users for unauthorized uses.*

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- *Every Software which is running in Dhara Motor Finance Ltd have Maker & Checker concept, every transaction which is made in software should be authorized by Checker.*

7.3. Managing System Privileges

- *Requests for new user-IDs and changes in privileges must be made to the IT Department in Mail. Users must clearly state why the changes in privileges are necessary.*
- *In response to feedback from the Human Resources Department, the IT department will revoke any privileges no longer needed by users. After receiving information from HR / Admin department all system access privileges will be terminated within 24 hours when a user leaves Dhara Motor Finance Ltd.*
- *Dhara Motor Finance Ltd management reserves the right to revoke the system privileges of any user at any time. Conduct that interferes with the normal and proper operation of Dhara Motor Finance Ltd information systems, which adversely affects the ability of others to use these information systems, or which is harmful or offensive to others will not be permitted.*

7.4. Changes to Systems

- *No user must physically connect or disconnect any equipment, including Dhara Motor Finance Ltd owned computers and printers, to or from any Dhara Motor Finance Ltd network.*
- *With the exception of emergency situations, all changes to Dhara Motor Finance Ltd information technology systems and networks must be documented, and approved in advance by the IT Head.*
- *Only persons who have been authorized by the IT Head can make emergency changes to any Dhara Motor Finance Ltd computer system or network.*

7.5. Security (Access Control)

- *Users are forbidden from circumventing security measures.*
- *Users are **strictly prohibited** from establishing dial-up connections, using modems or other such apparatus, from within any Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's premises.*
- *Users who have been given mobile/portable laptop / palmtop or any other device and duly authorized for such remote access, which connects to Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's mail system on a real-time basis, can do so through the Internet.*
- *Unless the prior approval of the IT Head has been obtained, users shall not establish Internet or other external network connections that could allow non-authorized users to gain access to Dhara Motor Finance Ltd systems and information. These connections include the establishment of multi-computer file systems, Internet web pages & FTP servers.*

- *Users must not test, or attempt to compromise computer or communication system security measures unless specifically approved in advance and in writing by the IT Head. Incidents involving unapproved system cracking (hacking), password cracking (guessing), file decryption, software copying, computer configuration changing or similar unauthorized attempts to compromise security measures will be considered serious violations of Dhara Motor Finance Ltd policy. Likewise, short-cuts bypassing system security measures is absolutely prohibited*

8. Software Licensing Policy

- *For all software including purchased or licensed business software applications, Dhara Motor Finance Ltd - written applications, employee or vendor/supplier-written applications, computer operating systems, firmware, and any other software residing on Dhara Motor Finance Ltd -owned equipment, all users must comply with the software licensing policy and must not use/install/download any software for their individual use or even for business purpose without prior approval of the IT Head at head office. In case any such software is found on any Dhara Motor Finance Ltd system which is not allocated to the individual user, it shall be the responsibility of the user to inform the same to the IT department, in cases the same is not installed by the said user otherwise Dhara Motor Finance Ltd shall initiate appropriate disciplinary proceedings against the said user.*
- *All necessary software's are pre-installed on all Dhara Motor Finance Ltd systems for day-to-day office needs. Request for any additional needs to be addressed to the IT Head for approval.*
- *Use of Dhara Motor Finance Ltd network resources to illegally distribute or duplicate unauthorized copyright or licensed material is prohibited. Users shall not make unauthorized copies of copyright software, except as permitted by law or by the owner of the copyright.*

9. Internet and Intranet Usage Policy

- *Internet software may only be installed / used by or with the approval of the IT Head. Software patches or updates may only be downloaded, subject to approval and ensuring strict adherence to the vendor's security and usage guidelines.*
- *Access to the internet and its resources is provided for the purposes of conducting business on behalf of Dhara Motor Finance Ltd. Reasonable personal use of the Internet is permitted, according to constraints and conditions set out by the QuickHeal Firewall.*
- *The IT department reserves the right to block access to any Internet resource without any prior notice, in case anyone required access to restricted site, the same may be dealt as special case provided the same is identified as use strictly for official purpose and conducting Dhara Motor Finance Ltd business. The approval for the same needs to be obtained by the Department Head / Branch Manager from the IT Head.*

- Similarly, to protect Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's IT systems from imported viruses, downloading or exchanging screensavers, games, entertainment software or other inappropriate files (for example, video or audio materials for personal use), playing games against opponents or gambling over the internet is not permitted.
- Furthermore, users may not conduct any form of "hacking" or use malicious code to penetrate or attempt to penetrate other computers or to deliberately release viruses or other harmful programs within either the Dhara Motor Finance Ltd network or the internet or bypass security features

10. Email Usage Policy

- All authorized users of Dhara Motor Finance Ltd are provided with an E-mail account, which is either individual to the specific user or generic Email ID and the same is protected with a password which is provided to the individual user. The use of E-mail should be restricted only for the business purpose; however personal mail can also be exchanged to a limited quantum provided that such exchange does not amount to breach of this IT policy or otherwise materially affects Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's operations. In case any individual is found using e-mail service, which is objectionable by any means, the access can be terminated by IT department without any prior information, however the same may be re-instated with the approval from the Managing Director and IT Head at the corporate office.
- Email users should be aware that exchange of information with external sites may not be secured with high risks of spam, Trojans, malicious codes etc. Hence exchange of information should be limited to reliable sites. Users are prohibited to use their names/e- mail ids/mail domain in public domain without prior authorization from IT Head.
- Information must not be transmitted internally or externally which is beyond the bounds of generally accepted standards, values and ethics. This includes, for example, material which could be considered offensive or discriminatory; pornographic or obscene, defamatory or any other material which is otherwise abusive or contains illegal content prohibited by law or regulation of the country or which brings the organization into disrepute. Information is understood to include text, images and is understood to include printing information and sending information via email.
- All material contained on the email system belongs to the Dhara Motor Finance Ltd and users should consider messages produced/received by them on Dhara Motor Finance Ltd account to be secure. The confidentiality of email data should be maintained by the individual user.
- Security regarding access to the email system is of paramount importance. User identities and personal passwords must not be shared with others. Users should be cautious of providing their email addresses to external parties, especially mailing lists.

- *Users transferring or receiving files or attachments from external sources should note that the Dhara Motor Finance Ltd system automatically checks downloaded material for viruses. However, in the event that a virus is suspected, the file or attachment must not be opened and the matter must be reported to the IT Department immediately for inspection and action.*
- *Dhara Motor Finance Ltd email users are required to use this communication tool in a responsible fashion and to observe the related guidelines. Dhara Motor Finance Ltd provides the email system for the purposes of conducting official business and it may not be used for personal gain or business activities unrelated to Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's operations. Users must not use the system to promote an external cause without prior permission from the IT Head*
- *Reasonable personal use of the email system is permitted. Personal use of the e-mail service must not interfere with Dhara Motor Finance Ltd's operations, involve cost implications for Dhara Motor Finance Ltd or take precedence over the user's job accountabilities.*
- *Where it is considered that there has been a breach in the use of the email system, the service of the user will be terminated without any prior information.*

11. Helpdesk Process

All locations within India where Dhara Motor Finance Ltd operates whether by itself or through its sub-agencies all help and support pertaining to the system/user/network/back-end shall be provided by the IT Department. In case any user finds any problem with the IT systems or need any help, they can send in their request to IT Department at head office via e-mail to amit.singh@dharamotor.com In the event of emergencies They can be contacted via telephone at +91-1342- 262561 or +91-7060210109 / +91-8057289174, however all phone calls must be followed by an e-mail later.

12. Data Backup

In order to prevent loss of information by destruction of the magnetic means in which it is stored, a periodic backup procedure is carried out. The responsibility for backing up the information located in shared access servers is the network administrators. It must be borne in mind that not only are hard disks inclined to fail, but also magnetic tapes are quite prone to errors that destroy their contents, so we need to do the restoration testing time to time basis. We have the cloud facility also since we have purchased the space in cloud to have our parallel data storing facility.

- **General Rule:** *As daily Full backup is happening for all critical business applications (i.e. Monday to Saturday) and a complete weekly Full backup are carried out including file servers /old data kept on servers (i.e. on all Saturdays – External HDD) in order to prevent data loss.*
- **Data Backup in File Servers:** *The Systems Management backs up all the information in the file servers through an automated procedure.*
- **Data Backup in Database Servers:** *The Systems Management backs up all the information in the databases through an automated procedure.*

- **Data Backup in Desktop PC and Notebook:** *This task is the responsibility of the user to whom the computer has been assigned.*

IT Committee

Composition of the IT Committee

The IT committee is the body responsible for the management of IT functions in the Organization. it manages the same through oversight of the IT function of the Company, and through approval of the various policies and processes of the Company.

The composition of the IT committee shall be as under:

The IT committee shall comprise of

- i) CFO Chairman*
- ii) IT Head member*
- iii) IT Manager member*

Frequency of Meeting

The IT committee shall meet at least once in a half year or as required.

Roles and Responsibilities of the IT committee

The key responsibilities of the IT committee include:

- 1. Approve / recommend to the Board for its approval / review of the policies, strategies and associated frameworks for the IT function.*
- 2. Provide appropriate and prompt reporting to the Board of Directors in order to fulfil the oversight responsibilities of the Board of Directors*

It was put up before the board and same was approved vide Board Resolution No. 6 Dated 16-07-2024.

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