Northbridge — Secure Data Handling 101

Policy Owner	Training & Awareness
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Revision	1.0
Classification	Internal Use Only
Applies To	All Employees, Contractors, and Vendors

1. Purpose

This document establishes Northbridge standards for secure data handling 101, enabling consistent execution, compliance, and risk reduction.

2. Scope

This policy/procedure applies to all Northbridge personnel, systems, and third parties involved in the activities covered herein.

3. Roles & Responsibilities

- Policy Owner: accountable for stewardship and annual review.
- IT/Security: implements controls, monitors compliance, and reports deviations.
- Managers: enforce requirements within their teams.
- Employees/Contractors: follow procedures and report issues immediately.

4. Requirements & Procedures

- Classify data; apply least privilege and need-to-know.
- Encrypt sensitive data in transit/at rest; use approved storage.
- No personal email/USB for company data; follow clean desk.
- Report suspected exposure immediately to Security.

5. Compliance & Exceptions

Exceptions must be documented with compensating controls and approved by the Information Technology Director. Non-compliance may result in disciplinary action.

6. Review & Maintenance

This document is reviewed annually and upon material change in risk, technology, or regulation.