

# Privacy Policy

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The Things Industries B.V. ("us", "we", or "our") operates The Things Stack, a LoRaWAN Network Server as the "Service".

This page informs you of our policies regarding the collection, use and disclosure of Personal Information when you use our Service.

We will not use or share your information with anyone except as described in this Privacy Policy.

We use your Personal Information for providing and improving the Service. By using the Service, you agree to the collection and use of information in accordance with this policy. Unless otherwise defined in this Privacy Policy, terms used in this Privacy Policy have the same meanings as in our Terms of Service.

## Information Collection And Use

While using our Service, we may ask you to provide us with certain personally identifiable information that can be used to contact or identify you. Personally identifiable information may include, but is not limited to, your email address, name, other information ("Personal Information").

Here's the data that we associate to you, as well as the use that we make of it:

- We store **basic identity information** to identify our users. This information can be edited on the account server. We'll use your email to send you operational emails, and a newsletter from which you can unsubscribe. We use cookies to keep track of identified users.
- We store the **gateways** that you have registered, as well as the information that you've entered (description, location, settings). We also store metadata received from the gateway, that includes packet statistics and location if you've configured your gateway to do so, to operate the network and to show you information about the state of your gateway. You can decide yourself whether to make your gateway location public in the console or through our CLI. If you decide to make it public, we may use it in our public gateway map, and make the location available from our public APIs.
- We store the **applications and devices** that you have registered. We store and process packets, including metadata, received from those devices in order to operate the network. Applications

and devices can be deleted from the application settings, in the console or using our CLI. Application and devices data is only accessible to you and collaborators you have added to your application.

- We store your **website activity** using Google Analytics. This helps us understand where visitors come from and what they are looking for. The Google Analytics tools we use make use of cookies that are stored on your devices.
- We store names, physical addresses, email addresses and other company information of customers.

Apart from those specific data usages, we might also use this data to:

- Improve the behavior of our LoRaWAN network server: We're using metadata to build statistics on data transmission in several conditions (in different locations, with different transmission parameters...) in order to improve the quality of our network server.
- To troubleshoot issues that users are having.

We share data with the following parties:

- The data from the devices you have registered is shared on an opt-in basis with the parties operating the integrations that you have enabled (e.g. AWS IoT Hub and such). Those integrations may store the data.
- Visitor analytics are collected and processed by [Google Analytics](#).
- We use [MailChimp](#) and [SendGrid](#) to manage our email infrastructure.
- Our infrastructure providers. We use for example Amazon Web Services to run The Things Stack (Dedicated) Cloud Hosted.

We **do not** sell any data to third parties.

## Log Data

We may also collect information that your browser sends whenever you visit our Service or when you access the Service by or through a mobile device ("Log Data").

This Log Data may include information such as your computer's Internet Protocol ("IP") address, browser type, browser version, the pages of our Service that you visit, the time and date of your visit, the time spent on those pages and other statistics.

When you access the Service by or through a mobile device, this Log Data may include information such as the type of mobile device you use, your mobile device unique ID, the IP address of your mobile device, your mobile operating system, the type of mobile Internet browser you use and other statistics.

In addition, we may use third party services such as Google Analytics that collect, monitor and analyze this type of information in order to increase our Service's functionality. These third party service providers have their own privacy policies addressing how they use such information.

## **Cookies**

Cookies are files with a small amount of data, which may include an anonymous unique identifier. Cookies are sent to your browser from a web site and stored on your computer's hard drive.

We use "cookies" to collect information. You can instruct your browser to refuse all cookies or to indicate when a cookie is being sent. However, if you do not accept cookies, you may not be able to use some portions of our Service.

## **Service Providers**

We may employ third party companies and individuals to facilitate our Service, to provide the Service on our behalf or to perform Service-related services.

These third parties have access to your Personal Information only to perform these tasks on our behalf and are obligated not to disclose or use it for any other purpose.

## **Communications**

We may use your Personal Information to contact you with newsletters, marketing or promotional materials and other information that may be of interest to you. You may opt out of receiving any, or all, of these communications from us by following the unsubscribe link or instructions provided in any email we send or by contacting us.

## **Compliance With Laws**

We will disclose your Personal Information where required to do so by law or subpoena or if we believe that such action is necessary to comply with the law and the reasonable requests of law enforcement or to protect the security or integrity of our Service.

## **Business Transaction**

If The Things Industries B.V. is involved in a merger, acquisition or asset sale, your Personal Information may be transferred. We will provide notice before your Personal Information is transferred and becomes subject to a different Privacy Policy.

## **Security**

The security of your Personal Information is important to us, but remember that no method of transmission over the Internet, or method of electronic storage is 100% secure. While we strive to use commercially acceptable means to protect your Personal Information, we cannot guarantee its absolute security.

## **International Transfer**

Your information, including Personal Information, may be transferred to – and maintained on – computers located outside of your state, province, country or other governmental jurisdiction where the data protection laws may differ than those from your jurisdiction.

If you are located outside the Netherlands and choose to provide information to us, please note that we transfer the information, including Personal Information, to the Netherlands and process it there.

Your consent to this Privacy Policy followed by your submission of such information represents your agreement to that transfer.

## **Links To Other Sites**

Our Service may contain links to other sites that are not operated by us. If you click on a third party link, you will be directed to that third party's site. We strongly advise you to review the Privacy Policy of every site you visit.

We have no control over, and assume no responsibility for the content, privacy policies or practices of any third party sites or services.

## **Children's Privacy**

Our Service does not address anyone under the age of 13 ("Children").

We do not knowingly collect personally identifiable information from children under 13. If you are a parent or guardian and you are aware that your Children have provided us with Personal Information, please contact us. If we become aware that we have collected Personal Information from children under age 13 without verification of parental consent, we take steps to remove that information from our servers.

## **Changes To This Privacy Policy**

We may update our Privacy Policy from time to time. We will notify you of any changes by posting the new Privacy Policy on this page.

You are advised to review this Privacy Policy periodically for any changes. Changes to this Privacy Policy are effective when they are posted on this page.

## **Contact Us**

If you have any questions about this Privacy Policy, please contact us at [info@thethingindustries.com](mailto:info@thethingindustries.com), indicating the reference matter.