

# NEW FRAMEWORK DEMYSTIFIES POPIA FOR RESEARCHERS

If you're a (independent) researcher, operator and research institution you need to comply with the Protection of Personal Information (POPI) Act

The ASSAf POPIA Compliance Framework for Researchers and Research Institutions, published on 15 May 2025, provides practical guidance for researchers to ensure compliance with POPIA in their research activities.

The Framework is the result of the efforts of Members of the Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf).

It was developed with expert contributions from legal, ethical, and research professionals to support responsible data management and enable research that aligns with both national law and international standards.

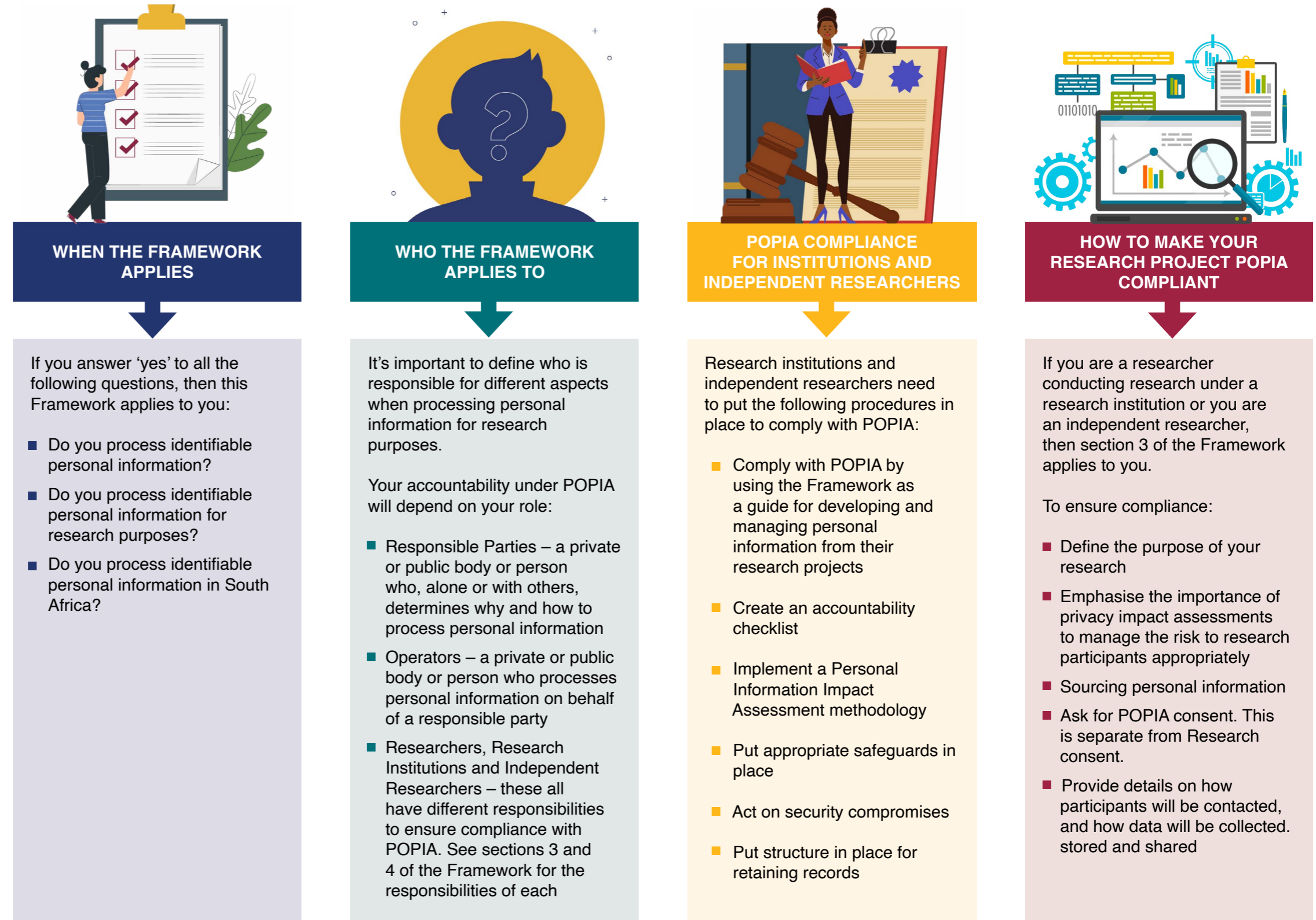
Endorsed by the ASSAf Council, the Framework assists researchers and institutions in interpreting and implementing POPIA, fostering compliance while promoting open, collaborative, and ethical research practices.

## POPIA Compliance Framework for Research Enquiries

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Access the [POPIA Compliance Framework for Researchers and Research Institutions here](#)

Here's a practical guide for researchers and research institutions to understand and implement POPIA in their research activities:



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