# A.W.R. Smith Process Instrumentation cc

## **Section 51 Manual**



# Act 2 of 2000, The Promotion of Access to Information

Prepared in accordance with Section 51 of the Promotion of Access to Information Act No. 2 of 2000

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#### **Introduction**

AWR Smith Process Instrumentation are importers, stockists and suppliers of electrical, process and environmental instrumentation, specializing in portable test, measurement, data logging and recording instrumentation to all areas of industry.

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1. Contact details [Section 51(1)(a)]

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## **2.** The section 10 Guide on how to use the Act [Section 51(1)(b)]

The Guide will be available from the South African Human Rights Commission by not later than August 2004. Please direct any queries to:

The South African Human Rights Commission:

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- 3. Records available in terms of any other legislation [Section 51(1)(d)]
  - Close Corporations Act No. 69 of 1984
  - Income Tax Act No. 95 of 1967
  - Regional Services Council Act No. 109 of 1985
  - Skills Development Levies Act No. 9 of 1999
  - Unemployment Contributions Act No. 4 of 2002
  - Value Added Tax Act No. 89 of 1991
- **4.** Access to the records held by the private body in question [Sections 51(1)(c) and 51(1)(e)]
  - i. The latest notice regarding the categories of records of the body, which are available without a person having to request access in terms of this Act in terms of section 52(2) [Section 51(1)(c)]
    - Company Profile
    - Data Sheets / Product Literature
    - Product Instruction Manuals
    - Price lists
  - ii. Records that may be requested. A description of the subjects of the records held by the body and the categories in which these subjects are classed [Section 51(1)(e)]

#### **Administration:**

- Licenses and insurance
- Minutes of meetings (Management and Staff)
- Correspondence
- Members

#### **Human Resources:**

- Employment contracts
- Remuneration records

## **Operations:**

- Sales records and quotations
- Client and supplier registry

#### **Finances:**

- Financial statements
- Annual financial statements
- Tax and levies
- Stock records

#### Assets inventory

## iii. The request procedures

#### Form of request:

- The requester must use the prescribed form to make the request for access to a record. This must be made to the head of the private body. This request must be made to the address, fax number or electronic mail address of the body concerned  $[s \ 53(1)]$ .
- The requester must provide sufficient detail on the request form to enable the head of the private body to identify the record and the requester. The requester should also indicate which form of access is required. The requester should also indicate if any other manner is to be used to inform the requester and state the necessary particulars to be so informed [s 53(2)(a) and (b) and (c)].
- The requester must identify the right that is sought to be exercised or to be protected and provide an explanation of why the requested record is required for the exercise or protection of that right  $[s \ 53(2)(d)]$ .
- If a request is made on behalf of a another person, the requester must then submit proof of the capacity in which the requester is making the request to the satisfaction of the head of the private body  $[s \ 53(2)(f)]$ .

#### Fees:

A requester who seeks access to a record containing personal information about that requester is not required to pay the request fee. Every other requester, who is not a personal requester, must pay the required request fee:

- The head of the private body must notify the requester (other than a personal requester) by notice, requiring the requester to pay the prescribed fee (if any) before further processing the request [s 54(1)].
- The fee that the requester must pay to a private body is R50. The requester may lodge an application to the court against the tender or payment of the request fee  $[s \ 54(3)(b)]$ .
- After the head of the private body has made a decision on the request, the requester must be notified in the required form.
- If the request is granted then a further access fee must be paid for the search, reproduction, preparation and for any time that has exceeded the prescribed hours to search and prepare the record for disclosure [s 54(6)].

## 5. Other information as may be prescribed [Section 51(1)(f)]

The Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development has not made any regulations in this regard.

## **6. Availability of the manual** [Section 51(3)]

## Copies of the manual are available at:

- a) The South African Human Right Commission (details on page 2 section 2)
- b) The office of AWR Smith Process Instrumentation for inspection during business hours free of charge (details on page 2 section 1)
- c) On our web site <u>www.instruments.co.za</u> free of charge

#### **FORM C**

# REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO RECORD OF PRIVATE BODY (Section 53(1) of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, 2000 (Act No. 2 of 2000)

[Regulation 10]

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	B.	Particulars of	person	requesting	access	to the	record
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(a)	The particulars of the person who requests access to the record must be given below.
(b)	The address and/or fax number in the Republic to which the information is to be sent must be
	given.
(c)	Proof of the capacity in which the request is made, if applicable, must be attached.

Full names and surname:	
Identity number:	
Postal address:	
Fax number:	
Telephone number:	E-mail address:
Capacity in which request is made,	when made on behalf of another person:

## C. Particulars of person on whose behalf request is made

This section must be completed ONLY if a request for information is made on behalf of another person.

Full names and surname:

Identity number:

#### D. Particulars of record

- (a) Provide full particulars of the record to which access is requested, including the reference number if that is known to you, to enable the record to be located.
- (b) If the provided space is inadequate, please continue on a separate folio and attach it to this form. The requester must sign all the additional folios.
- 1 Description of record or relevant part of the record:
- 2 Reference number, if available:
- 3 Any further particulars of record:

#### E. Fees

- (a) A request for access to a record, other *than* a record containing personal information about yourself, will be processed only after a request fee has been paid.
- (b) You will be notified of the amount required to be paid as the request fee.
- (c) The fee payable for access to a record depends *on* the form *in which* access is required and the reasonable time *required* to search for and prepare a record.
- (d) If you qualify for exemption of the payment of any fee, please state the reason for exemption.

Reason for exemption from payment of fees:

#### F. Form of access to record

If you are prevented by a disability to read, view or listen to the record in the form of access provided for in 1 to 4 hereunder, state your disability and indicate in which form the record is required.

Disability:	Form in which record is required
Mark the appropriate box with an X.	

#### NOTES:

- (a) Compliance with your request in the specified form may depend on the form in which the record is available.
- (b) Access in the form requested may be refused in certain circumstances. In such a case you will be informed if access will be granted in another form.
- (c) The fee payable for access for the record, if any, will be determined partly by the form in which access is requested.

1. If the record is in written or printed form:							
	copy of record*		inspection of record				
2. If rec	ord consists of visual ima	aes					
		•	eo recordings, computer-gene	rated	imag	es, sketc	ches, etc)
view the images copy of the images" tran			transcription of the images*				
3. If record consists of recorded words or information which can be reproduced in							
sound:							
	listen to the soundtrack transcription of soundtrack*						
	audio cassette written or printed document						
4. If record is held on computer or in an electronic or machine-readable form:							
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'If you requested a copy or transcription of a record (above), do you wish the copy or transcription to be posted to you?  Postage is payable.				YES	NO		

## G Particulars of right to be exercised or protected

If the provided space is inadequate, please continue on a separate folio and attach it to this form. The requester must sign all the additional folios.

- 1. Indicate which right is to be exercised or protected:
- 2. Explain why the record requested is required for the exercise or protection of the aforementioned right:

## H. Notice of decision regarding request for access

You will be notified in writing whether your request has been approved/denied. If you wish to be informed in another manner, please specify the manner and provide the necessary particulars to enable compliance with your request.

How would you prefer to be infor	rmed of the de	cision regarding y	our request for	r access to the record	1?
Signed at	This	day of		20	

SIGNATURE OF REQUESTER / PERSON ON WHOSE BEHALF REQUEST IS MADE