

**FACTS****WHAT DOES INDEPENDENT BANK DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?****Why?**

Financial companies choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives consumers the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.

**What?**

The types of personal information we collect and share depend on the product or service you have with us. This information can include:

- Social Security number and income
- Account balances and payment history
- Credit history and credit scores

**How?**

All financial companies need to share customers' personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their customers' personal information; the reasons Independent Bank chooses to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.

Reasons we can share your personal information	Does Independent Bank share?	Can you limit this sharing?
<b>For our everyday business purposes--</b> such as to process your transactions, maintain your account(s), respond to court orders and legal investigations, or report to credit bureaus	Yes	No
<b>For our marketing purposes--</b> to offer our products and services to you	Yes	No
<b>For joint marketing with other financial companies</b>	Yes	Yes
<b>For our affiliates' everyday business purposes--</b> information about your transactions and experiences	Yes	No
<b>For our affiliates' everyday business purposes--</b> information about your creditworthiness	No	We don't share
<b>For nonaffiliates to market to you</b>	No	We don't share

**To limit our sharing**

- Call toll-free (800)355-0641

**Please note:**

If you are a *new* customer, we can begin sharing your information 30 days from the date we provided or sent this notice. When you are *no longer* our customer, we continue to share your information as described in this notice.

However, you can contact us at any time to limit our sharing.

**Questions?**

Call toll-free (800)355-0641 or go to [www.independentbank.com](http://www.independentbank.com)

## Who we are

**Who is providing this notice?**

Independent Bank and its affiliates

## What we do

**How does Independent Bank protect my personal information?**

To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we use security measures that comply with federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings.

**How does Independent Bank collect my personal information?**

We collect your personal information, for example, when you

- Open an account or deposit money
- Apply for a loan or give us your income information
- Give us your employment history

We also collect your personal information from others, such as credit bureaus, affiliates, or other companies.

**Why can't I limit all sharing?**

Federal law gives you the right to limit only

- Sharing for affiliates' everyday business purposes - information about your creditworthiness
- Affiliates from using your information to market to you
- Sharing for nonaffiliates to market to you

State laws and individual companies may give you additional rights to limit sharing.

**What happens when I limit sharing for an account I hold jointly with someone else?**

Your choices will apply to everyone on your account - unless you tell us otherwise.

## Definitions

**Affiliates**

Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.

- *Our affiliates include financial and nonfinancial companies and others, such as single-member real estate holding companies, special purpose trust entities, Independent Bank Corporation, Independent Title Services, Inc., Independent Investment Company, and IB Advisory Services, Inc..*

**Nonaffiliates**

Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.

- *Independent Bank does not share with nonaffiliates so they can market to you.*

**Joint marketing**

A formal agreement between nonaffiliated financial companies that together market financial products or services to you.

- *Our joint marketing partner(s) include merchant payment processor, credit card company, check printing company, and other financial product or service companies.*