
Karmê Chöling believes that privacy is important to the success and use of the Internet. This statement sets forth Karmê Chöling's Privacy Statement for www.karmecholing.org and describes the practices that Karmê Chöling will follow with respect to the privacy of users of this site. From time to time, we may change this Privacy Statement. For example, as we update and improve our service, new features may require modifications to the Privacy Statement. Accordingly, please check back periodically.

What is personally identifiable information?

"Personally identifiable information" is information about you, such as name, address, e-mail address, user ID, credit card number, social security number, and so on.

How is information collected, used, and disclosed?

We do not collect personal information -- including your e-mail address -- unless we first ask you for it. We may request that you voluntarily supply us with information, including your e-mail address, street address, telephone number or other information so that we may enroll you in a program or follow up with you after your visit. Whether you provide any information is entirely up to you.

If you have voluntarily provided information, you consented to the collection and use of your personally identifiable information as described in this Privacy Statement. In some circumstances, Karmê Chöling may share information you voluntarily provide us with other branches of the Shambhala organization.

How do we protect your information?

We exercise great care to protect your personally identifiable information. This includes, among other things, using industry standard techniques such as firewalls, encryption, intrusion detection and site monitoring. Unfortunately, no data transmission over the Internet can be guaranteed to be 100% secure. As a result, while we strive to protect your personally identifiable information, we cannot ensure or warrant the security of any information you transmit to us or receive from us. This is especially true for information you transmit to us via e-mail. We have no way of protecting that information until it reaches us. Once we receive your transmission, we make our best effort to ensure its security on our servers.

Internally, we will restrict access to your personally identifiable information to employees who need access to the information in order to do their jobs. These employees are limited in number, and are committed to our privacy policies. In the event that you are attending a program, we regularly share participants email, phone number and address on a list with the other participants. If you do not wish to have your information included please inform the program coordinator and your information will not be included.

We will review our security arrangements from time to time as we deem appropriate.