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Privacy Awareness Week

Thursday 7 May 2009

Tip of the day

Avoid downloading government information that may contain personal information onto portable storage devices (PSD) such as USB Flashdrives. If you have to, so as to work from home or you need to take documents to Court or a meeting ensure when you upload the information back onto the Government system that you delete the document on the PSD. Avoid accumulating documents on your PSD. Remember that personal information is government information from which a person's identity is apparent or is reasonably able to be ascertained. Penalties for mishandling records include a maximum fine of \$22,000 or 12 months imprisonment. The penalty for a breach of privacy is a maximum fine of \$60,000.