PROTECTION OF A TENANT'S PERSONAL INFORMATION

Under the *Residential Tenancies Act 1999*

The Application
The Commissioner of Residential Tenancies will set the types of personal information and documents a landlord may request from a prospective tenant as part of an application for a tenancy.
That information will be limited to only the most relevant personal information about a tenant that is required to assess an application

If a landlord <u>does not enter</u> into a tenancy agreement:
- **the landlord will have 5 business days to destroy all the information the landlord received from prospective tenants**

If a landlord <u>enters</u> into a tenancy agreement:
- **take reasonable steps to protect the information from misuse, interference or loss, and from unauthorised access, modification or disclosure;**
- **destroy information in relation to a tenant three years after termination of the tenancy;**
- **if requested, give the tenant a copy of any information, and amend, remove or destroy any inaccurate information**

The acquisition, retention and disposal of tenant personal information used for tenancy database purposes are set under Part 14 of the Act