App privacy policy

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This policy covers the **Doctropy app**. For the doctropy.com website, see the website privacy policy.

In short

The app processes your documents **exclusively on your device**. There is no server that receives content, no user account, no sign-in, no analytics and no advertising identifiers. We collect **no personal data** through the app.

Because the app sends no data to us, there is nothing we could hand over, lose or evaluate.

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What the app processes — and where

Data	Purpose	Where
Photos of your documents	capture and filing	on the device, encrypted
Recognised text	full-text search	on the device, encrypted
QR codes of the dividers	assignment to a binder	on the device, encrypted
Your passphrase	key derivation	**not** stored
Language setting	user interface	on the device

None of this leaves your device unless you explicitly choose cloud storage as the location (see below).

Text recognition

Text recognition runs **on the device** (Google ML Kit, included as a local library in the app or in Google Play services). Your photos are **not** transmitted to Google or to us. The recognition model itself may be fetched by Google Play services on first use — that downloads the model, it does not upload your document.

Permissions

Permission	What for
Camera	photographing documents and dividers. Images are processed immediately and stored encrypted.
Storage / file access	only the archive directory you selected
Internet	solely to synchronise with a cloud storage location you chose. Without cloud storage the app opens no network connection.

You can revoke any permission in your system settings. The corresponding function then stops working; the rest of the app continues to run.

Encryption

Your archive is encrypted with **AES-256-GCM**. The key is derived from your passphrase using **Argon2id** and exists only in memory while the archive is open. The passphrase itself is never stored.

This also means: **we cannot reset your passphrase and cannot recover your archive.** If it is lost, the data is irrecoverably unreadable. Keep it safe.

Cloud storage (optional)

Instead of device storage you may choose a cloud location (for example Google Drive in your own account). In that case, additionally:

- The files remain **encrypted** there. Your provider sees file names, sizes and timestamps, but **no content** — Google included.

- It is **your** account and **your** contract with that provider. Their privacy policy applies in addition; we are not involved and have no access.
- You establish the connection yourself through that provider's sign-in. We receive no credentials.

What the app does *not* do

- No analytics or crash reporting, no Firebase, no Google Analytics.
- No advertising, no advertising ID, no profiling.
- No user account and no registration.
- No sharing with third parties — there is nothing to share.

Distribution via Google Play

If you install the app from the Google Play Store, **Google** processes data as the store operator (such as your Google account and installation data). We have no influence on this; Google's privacy policy applies. That processing happens in the store, not in the app.

Legal basis

Insofar as the app processes personal data at all, it does so locally on your device and on your instruction in order to perform the usage agreement (Art. 6(1)(b) GDPR). No transmission to us takes place.

Deletion

Your data is in your hands: delete the archive directory or uninstall the app. If the archive is in cloud storage, delete it there. No request to us is necessary — we have stored nothing.

Your rights

You have the rights under Art. 15 to 21 GDPR (access, rectification, erasure, restriction, portability, objection). In practice they come to nothing, because we hold no data about you — you are welcome to ask anyway, at the address above. You may also lodge a complaint with a data protection supervisory authority, usually the one where you live.

Changes

If the way the app works changes, this policy changes with it. The current version is always at this address.

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