

Connecticut

Conn. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 36a-701b

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Quick Facts

Is “Personal Information” broader than the general definition? ¹	✓ Yes
Does the law apply to paper records?	✗ No
Is notification triggered by access only?	✗ No
Is a risk-of-harm analysis permitted?	✓ Yes
Is notice to a state agency or AG required?	✓ Yes, within 60 days of discovery of the breach
Is there a specific deadline for individual notices?	✓ Yes, within 60 days of discovery of the breach
Is there a specific format or language that must be included in the individual notice?	✗ No
Is a private right of action permitted?	✗ No

“Breach” Definition

The unauthorized access to or unauthorized acquisition of electronic files, media, databases or computerized data, containing personal information.

“Personal Information” Definition

1. An individual's first name or first initial and last name in combination with any one of the following:
 - a. Social Security number
 - b. Taxpayer identification number
 - c. Identity protection personal identification number issued by the IRS
 - d. Driver's license number, state identification card number, passport number, military identification number or other identification number issued by the government

¹ The general definition of “Personal Information” is an individual's name in combination with any one or more of the following: (1) Social Security number; (2) driver's license number or state identification card number; or (3) a financial account number or credit or debit card number in combination with any required security code, access code, or password that is necessary to permit access to an individual's financial account.

- e. Credit or debit card number
 - f. Financial account number in combination with any required security code, access code or password that would permit access to such financial account
 - g. Medical information regarding an individual's medical history, mental or physical condition, or medical treatment or diagnosis by a health care professional
 - h. Health insurance policy number or subscriber identification number, or any unique identifier used by a health insurer to identify the individual, or
 - i. Biometric information, or
2. Electronic mail address, in combination with a password or security question and answer that would permit access to an online account.

Notification Trigger

Within 60 days following discovery or notification of the breach:

1. Entity that owns or licenses personal information shall disclose the breach to each state resident within 60 days after the discovery of the breach.
2. Entity that does not own or have the right to license the personal information to another entity shall immediately disclose the breach to the entity that owns or who licensed the personal information to such entity.

Risk-of-Harm Analysis Standard

Notification is not required if, after an appropriate investigation, the entity reasonably determines that the breach will not likely result in harm to the individual.

Special Form/Content of Consumer Notice

N/A

AG Notice Trigger/Deadline

If notice of a breach of security is required, the notifying person shall, not later than the time when notice is provided to the resident, also provide notice of the breach of security to the Attorney General.

Notification to Consumer Reporting Agencies Threshold

N/A