

Privacy Policy for Skannist

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1. Introduction

Welcome to Skannist ("we," "our," or "us"). We are committed to protecting your privacy. This Privacy Policy explains how our mobile application treats your information.

2. Information We Collect

2.1. Camera Data

Skannist requires access to your device's camera to scan barcodes on food products.

- **Processing:** Barcode scanning is performed on-device using Google ML Kit.
- **Images:** We do not store or transmit the live camera feed.

2.2. Product Data and Search Queries

When you scan a barcode:

- **Online Mode:** The barcode is sent to the Open Food Facts API to retrieve product details.
- **Offline Mode:** If you have downloaded the offline database, scans are processed locally on your device without an internet connection.

2.3. Local Data

We store the following data locally on your device:

- **Scan History & Favorites:** Your list of scanned items and saved favorites.
- **Settings:** App preferences (e.g., theme, dietary preferences).
- **Offline Database:** A compressed copy of the Open Food Facts database (files `products.csv` and `offline_index.db`).

We do not have access to this data. It remains on your device unless you choose to export it.

2.4. User Contributions

If you choose to add or update products, the data you submit (including photos, product names, ingredients, and nutritional info) is transmitted to Open Food Facts. This information becomes part of a public database under the Open Database License (ODbL).

- **Product Photos:** If you choose to contribute data to Open Food Facts (see Section 3), you may take and upload photos of products (front, ingredients, nutrition facts). These photos are sent directly to the Open Food Facts database.

3. Third-Party Services

We use the following third-party services:

- **Open Food Facts:** We query their API for product data and contribute new data if you choose to.

4. Data Security

We implement reasonable security measures to handle your requests. Data processing is primarily local or via secure HTTPS connections to Open Food Facts.

5. Children's Privacy

Skannist does not knowingly collect personal information from children under the age of 13.

6. Your Rights

You have full control over your local data. You can clear your scan history or delete the offline database at any time within the app settings.

7. Changes to This Policy

We may update this Privacy Policy from time to time. Changes will be notified by updating the "Last Updated" date at the top of this policy.

8. Contact Us

if you have questions about this Privacy Policy, please contact us at: travis.winegar@gmail.com