Hello.

I have worked in the IT industry for over 30 years and specialise in system design and data management. I wanted to share my thoughts on something that I feel needs to be added to the data sharing and protection laws.

Our current inspections involve the realestate taking multiple pictures of every room, including our pantry, ovens, walkin wardrobes etc.

Also asking people to make sure everything is put away before inspection is not that pheasable really it took us nearly a full day everytime to prepare for an inspection and we forgot a few times and the rental inspector didn't care and took photos of everything anyway.

I understand that photos need to be taken for an inspection but taking photos of everything we own and opening up cupboards is excessive.

The information I got from my realestate was that they upload the photos to a website and they are shared with the landlord. The photos aren't public but here are my concerns.

- How sucure is the online rental inspection system i.e The data is shared with Landlords who might not come under the data protection laws?
- Is the property address labeled with the photos. imagine if thiefs got a hold of this data? They would never have to case a place again every valuble item would be laid out for them like a menu.
- Photos could have sensitive data in them. i.e Personal or Medical information.

There are probably more examples that i haven't thought of yet. I am not saying photos shouldn't be taken during inspection but there doesn't seem to be proper laws around privacy, data protection and sharing of these pictures and there should be.

I am more than happy for you to reach out to me as I feel very strongly about data security and personal privacy.

Kind Regards,

