

Modo Privacy Policy

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NorthGate Tech (“we”, “us”) publishes Modo, a privacy-focused DNS ad blocker for Android. This policy explains what information the app processes and how it is handled.

Summary

- Modo filters **DNS queries on your device** to block ads, trackers, and known malicious domains. Resolution and blocking happen on-device or via DNS servers you choose in the app.
- We do **not** sell personal data.
- We do **not** operate a user account system inside Modo.
- Blocking statistics (counts of blocked domains by category) are stored **locally on your device** only.

Information processed on your device

When you enable protection, Modo may process:

- **DNS query hostnames** — evaluated locally against blocklists to decide allow or block.
- **Installed app package names** — only if you use per-app exclusion, to let selected apps bypass Modo’s DNS filtering.
- **Network type** — e.g. open Wi-Fi detection if you enable auto-start on unsafe networks.
- **Local preferences** — theme, layout, custom block/allow lists, DNS resolver preset, and blocked-query counters.

These items are used solely to provide ad/tracker blocking and related app features.

What we do not collect

- No advertising identifiers for third-party ad networks.
- No analytics SDKs that profile users across apps or websites.
- No upload of your DNS history or browsing activity to NorthGate Tech servers by default.
- No contacts, photos, SMS, call logs, or precise location.

Network connections

Modo requires Internet access to download blocklist updates (when configured) and to reach upstream DNS resolvers you select (e.g. Cloudflare, Quad9, or custom DNS endpoints). DNS queries sent to those resolvers are subject to those providers' policies.

Permissions

- **Private DNS / network connection** — required so Modo can apply on-device DNS filtering for ads and trackers.
- **Foreground service** — keeps protection running while active and shows a persistent notification.
- **Notifications** — optional status updates while protection is on.
- **Boot completed** — optional auto-start after reboot if you enable it in settings.
- **Network state** — detects connectivity and unsafe Wi-Fi when those features are enabled.

Data retention

Statistics and settings remain on your device until you clear app data, uninstall Modo, or use in-app reset options. Uninstalling the app removes locally stored Modo data from your device.

Children

Modo is not directed at children under 13. We do not knowingly collect personal information from children.

Changes

We may update this policy. The effective date at the top will change when we do. Continued use after an update constitutes acceptance of the revised policy.

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