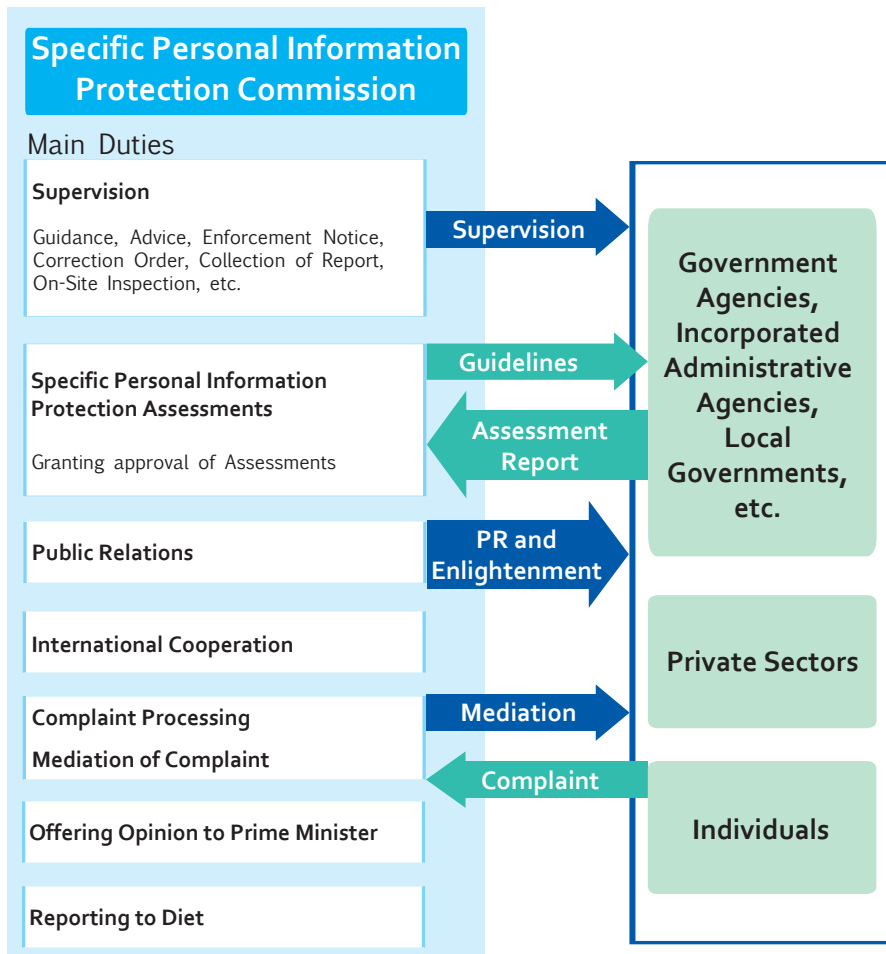


What is the Specific Personal Information Protection Commission doing?

- The Specific Personal Information Protection Commission has been established as an independent data protection authority which takes necessary measures to ensure proper handling of Specific Personal Information.
- The Commission has already undertaken a wide variety of activities to ensure proper handling of Specific Personal Information before starting the Number System.



Monitoring and Supervision

Guidance and Advice

The Specific Personal Information Protection Commission guides or advises any person/entity who handles Specific Personal Information, such as the government or companies, regarding proper handling of Specific Personal Information.

Recommendation and Order against the Violation of Laws

The Specific Personal Information Protection Commission recommends that any person who violates laws, should follow the necessary measures. When the offender does not follow the recommendation without valid reasons, the Commission orders him/her to take the necessary measures. Furthermore, if the person violates the order, he or she will be penalized.

If the Commission finds it necessary to take emergency measures due to a serious infringement on the rights and interests of individuals, it may order the person to take necessary measures to correct the violation without issuing a recommendation.

Reporting and On-Site Inspection

The Specific Personal Information Protection Commission, as necessary, requests any person who handles Specific Personal Information to report his or her activities and/or submit related materials. Furthermore, the Commission may conduct on-site inspections of offices as needed.

Request for measures related to the establishment, maintenance, and management of an information system such as the Cooperation Network System for Personal Information

The Specific Personal Information Protection Commission may request that the head of the relevant Administrative Organs, such as the Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications, improve the rationality and efficiency of the establishment, maintenance, and management of information systems and take necessary measures to ensure the safety and reliability of the function.

Policy on Rules and Guidelines

The Specific Personal Information Protection Commission makes rules, guidelines, and handbooks for public to ensure proper handling of Specific Personal Information.