





### EMAIL MARKETING TO CANADIANS

The role of email in your marketing mix





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# —DATA MANAGEMENT—PROCESSES



### BE ABOVE THE LAW

RESPECTING THE CONSUMER'S RIGHT TO PRIVACY

At a high level, does your organization assumer the individual owns their own data and we are temporary custodians?





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#### **Observations**

The overall mean and median unique open rates were 22.8% and 18.4% respectively. Canada (38.5% / 59.8%) and the Australia & New Zealand (36.7% / 61.7%) regions significantly outperformed all other regions for mean and top quartile unique open rates.







### MORE

As a mass marketer, the rally cry is MORE IS BETTER





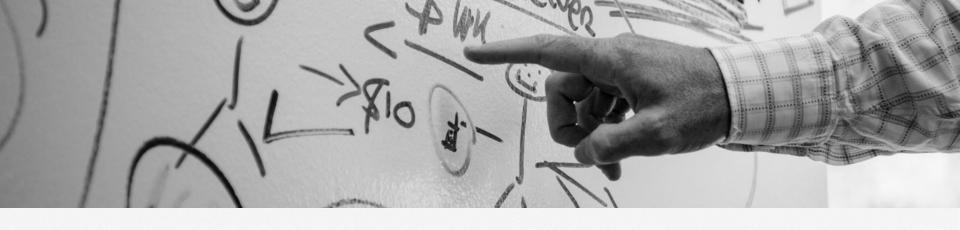


### **ENGAGED**

Digital – or one-to-one marketing requires speaking AND listening in real time.







# CASL - 2 VIEWS -

OBEY THE LAW

COMPLIANCE PROGRAM





# Do The Minimum — OBEY —





# The NEW RULES —





If you know the individual is Canadian, CASL applies



**CONSENT** 

You must **PROVE** consent before sending an email



**FULL TRANSPARENCY** 

Every message sent must include full transparency



UNSUBSCRIBE

Every email sent must include a working UNSUBSCRIBE







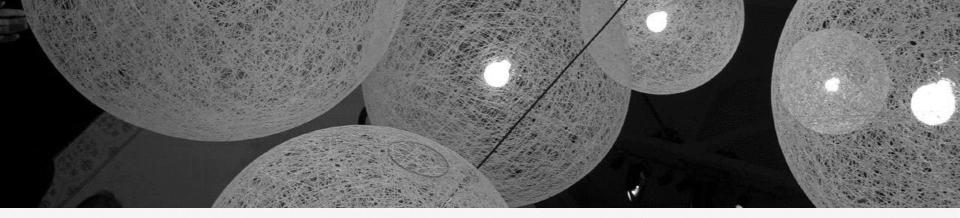
### Emailing — CANADIANS —

When "knowingly" emailing a Canadian

Even if that Canadian currently resides in Spain, as a Canadians citizen they have the same rights as their fellow Canadians. GMAIL is a .com address so you may not know they are Canadian so CRTC has admitted there is some flexibility.







# Proving — CONSENT —

Chances are your internal processes are out of date. You never had to track this stuff. How do you make changes without replacing the entire data management system?

Email lists must be built a single person at a time.

No using technology to scrape the internet.



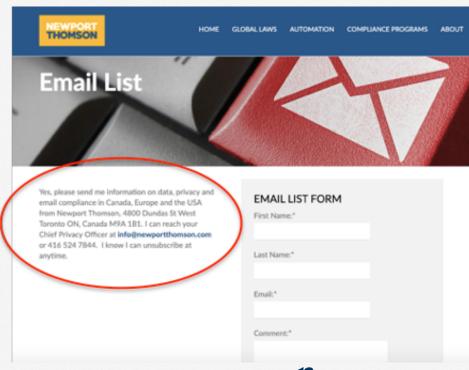




### CONSENT

- State your corporate name and mailing address,
- State what types of messages the recipient may expect.
- A contact person with 2 ways to contact them
- State that "You can can unsubscribe at any time"







# — CONSENT —

<b>Existing Business</b>
Relationship

Customers & Near Prospects

Be prepared to prove invoice dates or proposal dates

2 year rolling from date of last invoice

### Existing Non-Business Relationship

Past Donors & Voluteers

Be prepared to prove it

2 years rolling from date of last donation

### Conspicuous Display

Prove you know their role

Prove their email address was publicy dispalyed without restrictions

Send only related messages







### — TRANSPARENCY —

**NO TRICKS** 

No tricks. No ambiguity. Don't be "too clever by half". When collecting consent or sending email messages, be 100% transparent and up front.







### — UNSUBSCRIBE

#### **EVERY MESSSAGE MUST INCLUDE A WORKING UNSUBSCRIBE**

A working unsubscribe is defined as 2 clicks and 10 working days.

An individual must be able to remove themselves from your list within 2 clicks.

Once unsubscribed, they must be removed or suppressed within 2 weeks.





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### SENDING

**EVERY MESSSAGE MUST INCLUDE:** 

Corporate name and mailing address (you and any partners)

A contact name with 2 ways to reach that person.

A working unsubscribe





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## A Full Compliance Program — CRTC —





### -COMPLIANCE -



Senior Management Involvement



Risk Assessment



Written Corporate Policies



Record Keeing



**Training Program** 



Audit and Monitor



Compliant Handling System



**Disciplinary Action** 







## - UPDATE -

### **Enforcement Highlights**

#### **Commission upholds vicarious liability for CASL violations**

For the first time, the CRTC held an individual liable under CASL for violations committed by a corporation, pursuant to section 31 of the Act. Based on the evidence gathered, the Commission found that nCrowd, Inc.'s emails were sent without the recipient's consent and without a properly functioning unsubscribe mechanism. Further, the CRTC found that Mr. Brian Conley, as President and CEO, allowed the commission of these violations, and imposed a \$100,000 penalty.

#### **Enforcement Advisory**

Many Canadian businesses offer free WiFi to enhance customers' experience in exchange for personal information, consent to receive marketing messages, and demographic and behavioural data. This business model is referred to as Social WiFi.

CRTC staff issued an enforcement advisory directed to consumers, businesses and Social WiFi service providers in Canada in order to: (1) help explain how the Social WiFi business model works; and (2) to explain any responsibilities under CASL when using a Social WiFi model, in particular regarding consent for commercial electronic messages.





# CRTC — UPDATE —

### Enforcement Measures

**6** Warning letters **71** Notices to produce **5** Preservation demands

### **Administrative Monetary Penalties**



> Since CASL came into force in 2014, enforcement efforts have resulted in penalties totalling over \$2.1 million.

An additional \$568,000 have been paid as part of negotiated undertakings.





# CRTC — UPDATE —

Lack of consent is still the #1 complaint







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#### **Partnerships**



The CRTC has forged partnerships with organizations across the globe in order to better fulfill its mandate.

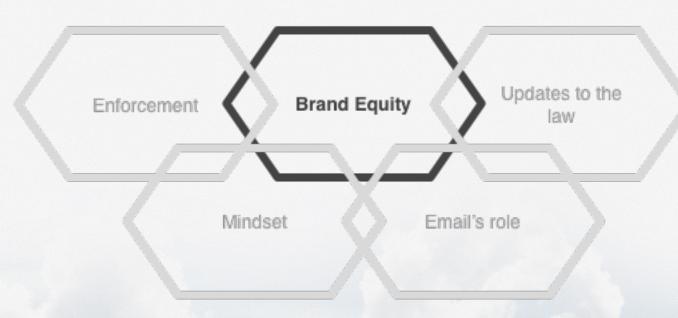
The CRTC is part of the <u>Unsolicited Communications Enforcement Network</u> (UCENET). Members from over 26 countries work together to promote international spam enforcement cooperation and address problems relating to spam and unsolicited telecommunications.







# The Future of — EMAIL—









#### ENFORCEMENT

An unenforced law does not create a level playing field for all players.



#### **BRAND EQUITY**

Every time a brand annoys someone by sending them too many irrelevant emails, are they adding a "chip" to their account or deleting one?



#### UPDATES

Governments must create a structure to be able to easily and quickly update these communication, privacy and data protection laws.



#### MINDSET

As long as "more is better" is the rally cry, SPAM will dominate the email channel, clogging it up and ruining it for all.



#### EMAIL'S Role

A brand must decide what role email plays in their marketing mix. As a method of communicating with warm prospects and customers, it is excellent. Mass reach - not so much.





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