#### removePersonalInformation (Remove Personal Information from Document Properties)

This element specifies that hosting applications shall remove all [personal](personal.docx) information of document authors upon saving a given WordprocessingML document. The definition and extent of [personal](personal.docx) information is not defined by this Office Open [XML](XML.docx) Standard.

If this element is omitted, then [personal](personal.docx) information shall not be removed when the document is saved.

[Example: Consider a WordprocessingML document that shall not save [personal](personal.docx) information in the document. This state is specified using the following WordprocessingML in the document settings:

<w:removePersonalInformation w:val="true" />

The removePersonalInformation element's val attribute has a value of true specifying that applications shall remove any [personal](personal.docx) information when saving this file. end example]

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| Parent Elements |
| settings (§) |

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| Attributes | Description |
| val (On/Off Value) | Specifies a binary value for the property defined by the parent [XML](XML.docx) element.A value of on, 1, or true specifies that the property shall be explicitly applied. This is the default value for this attribute, and is implied when the parent element is present, but this attribute is omitted. A value of off, 0, or false specifies that the property shall be explicitly turned off.[Example: For example, consider the following on/off property:<w:… w:val="off"/>The val attribute explicitly declares that the property is turned off. end example]The possible values for this attribute are defined by the [ST\_OnOff](ST_OnOff.docx) simple [type](type.docx) (§). |

The following [XML](XML.docx) Schema fragment defines the contents of this element:

<complexType [name](name.docx)="CT\_OnOff">

 <attribute [name](name.docx)="val" [type](type.docx)="[ST\_OnOff](ST_OnOff.docx)"/>

</complexType>