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# GDPR : Data Subject Rights

## Data Subject Rights

The GDPR provides the following rights for individuals:

1. The right to be informed
2. The right of access
3. The right to rectification
4. The right to erasure
5. The right to restrict processing
6. The right to data portability
7. The right to object
8. Rights in relation to automated decision making and profiling.

This part of the guide explains these rights.

# GDPR : Data Subject Rights

## 1. The right to be informed

- Individuals have the right to be informed about the collection and use of their personal data. This is a key transparency requirement under the GDPR.
- You must provide individuals with information including: your purposes for processing their personal data, your retention periods for that personal data, and who it will be shared with. We call this 'privacy information'.
- You must provide privacy information to individuals at the time you collect their personal data from them.
- If you obtain personal data from other sources, you must provide individuals with privacy information within a reasonable period of obtaining the data and no later than one month.
- There are a few circumstances when you do not need to provide people with privacy information, such as if an individual already has the information or if it would involve a disproportionate effort to provide it to them.
- The information you provide to people must be concise, transparent, intelligible, easily accessible, and it must use clear and plain language.
- It is often most effective to provide privacy information to people using a combination of different techniques including layering, dashboards, and just-in-time notices.
- User testing is a good way to get feedback on how effective the delivery of your privacy information is.
- You must regularly review, and where necessary, update your privacy information. You must bring any new uses of an individual's personal data to their attention before you start the processing.
- Getting the right to be informed correct can help you to comply with other aspects of the GDPR and build trust with people, but getting it wrong can leave you open to fines and lead to reputational damage.

## 2. Right of access

- Individuals have the right to access their personal data.
- This is commonly referred to as subject access.
- Individuals can make a subject access request verbally or in writing.
- You have one month to respond to a request.
- You cannot charge a fee to deal with a request in most circumstances.

## 3. Right to rectification

- The GDPR includes a right for individuals to have inaccurate personal data rectified, or completed if it is incomplete.
- An individual can make a request for rectification verbally or in writing.
- You have one calendar month to respond to a request.
- In certain circumstances you can refuse a request for rectification.
- This right is closely linked to the controller's obligations under the accuracy principle of the GDPR (Article (5)(1)(d)).

#### **4. Right to erasure**

- The GDPR introduces a right for individuals to have personal data erased.
- The right to erasure is also known as 'the right to be forgotten'.
- Individuals can make a request for erasure verbally or in writing.
- You have one month to respond to a request.
- The right is not absolute and only applies in certain circumstances.
- This right is not the only way in which the GDPR places an obligation on you to consider whether to delete personal data.

#### **5. Right to restrict processing**

- Individuals have the right to request the restriction or suppression of their personal data.
- This is not an absolute right and only applies in certain circumstances.
- When processing is restricted, you are permitted to store the personal data, but not use it.
- An individual can make a request for restriction verbally or in writing.
- You have one calendar month to respond to a request.
- This right has close links to the right to rectification (Article 16) and the right to object (Article 21)..

## 6. Right to data portability

- The right to data portability allows individuals to obtain and reuse their personal data for their own purposes across different services.
- It allows them to move, copy or transfer personal data easily from one IT environment to another in a safe and secure way, without affecting its usability.
- Doing this enables individuals to take advantage of applications and services that can use this data to find them a better deal or help them understand their spending habits.
- The right only applies to information an individual has provided to a controller.

## 7. Right to object

- The GDPR gives individuals the right to object to the processing of their personal data in certain circumstances.
- Individuals have an absolute right to stop their data being used for direct marketing.
- In other cases where the right to object applies you may be able to continue processing if you can show that you have a compelling reason for doing so.
- You must tell individuals about their right to object.
- An individual can make an objection verbally or in writing.
- You have one calendar month to respond to an objection.

## 8. Rights related to automated decision making including profiling

- The GDPR has provisions on:
  - automated individual decision-making (making a decision solely by automated means without any human involvement); and
  - profiling (automated processing of personal data to evaluate certain things about an individual). Profiling can be part of an automated decision-making process.
- The GDPR applies to all automated individual decision-making and profiling.
- Article 22 of the GDPR has additional rules to protect individuals if you are carrying out solely automated decision-making that has legal or similarly significant effects on them.
- You can only carry out this type of decision-making where the decision is:
  - necessary for the entry into or performance of a contract; or
  - authorised by Union or Member state law applicable to the controller; or
  - based on the individual's explicit consent.
- You must identify whether any of your processing falls under Article 22 and, if so, make sure that you:
  - give individuals information about the processing;
  - introduce simple ways for them to request human intervention or challenge a decision;
  - carry out regular checks to make sure that your systems are working as intended.



# GDPR Principals

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The GDPR provides the following guidelines to follow:

1. Lawfulness, fairness and transparency
2. Purpose limitation
3. Data minimisation
4. Accuracy
5. Storage limitation
6. Integrity and confidentiality (security)

This part of the guide explains these rights.

## 1. Lawfulness, fairness and transparency

- You must identify valid grounds under the GDPR (known as a 'lawful basis') for collecting and using personal data.
- You must ensure that you do not do anything with the data in breach of any other laws.
- You must use personal data in a way that is fair. This means you must not process the data in a way that is unduly detrimental, unexpected or misleading to the individuals concerned.
- You must be clear, open and honest with people from the start about how you will use their personal data.

### Checklist:

#### Lawfulness

- We have identified an appropriate lawful basis (or bases) for our processing.
- If we are processing special category data or criminal offence data, we have identified a condition for processing this type of data.

#### Fairness

- We have considered how the processing may affect the individuals concerned and can justify any adverse impact.
- We only handle people's data in ways they would reasonably expect, or we can explain why any unexpected processing is justified.

We do not deceive or mislead people when we collect their personal data.

#### Transparency

- We are open and honest, and comply with the transparency obligations of the right to be informed.

## 2. Purpose limitation

- You must be clear about what your purposes for processing are from the start.
- You need to record your purposes as part of your documentation obligations and specify them in your privacy information for individuals.
- You can only use the personal data for a new purpose if either this is compatible with your original purpose, you get consent, or you have a clear basis in law.

### Checklist:

- We have clearly identified our purpose or purposes for processing.
- We have documented those purposes.
- We include details of our purposes in our privacy information for individuals.
- We regularly review our processing and, where necessary, update our documentation and our privacy information for individuals.
- If we plan to use personal data for a new purpose, we check that this is compatible with our original purpose or we get specific consent for the new purpose.

### **3. Data minimisation**

You must ensure the personal data you are processing is:

- adequate – sufficient to properly fulfil your stated purpose;
- relevant – has a rational link to that purpose; and
- limited to what is necessary – you do not hold more than you need for that purpose.

#### **Checklist:**

- We only collect personal data we actually need for our specified purposes.
- We have sufficient personal data to properly fulfil those purposes.
- We periodically review the data we hold, and delete anything we don't need.

#### 4. Accuracy

- You should take all reasonable steps to ensure the personal data you hold is not incorrect or misleading as to any matter of fact.
- You may need to keep the personal data updated, although this will depend on what you are using it for.
- If you discover that personal data is incorrect or misleading, you must take reasonable steps to correct or erase it as soon as possible.
- You must carefully consider any challenges to the accuracy of personal data.

#### Checklist:

- We ensure the accuracy of any personal data we create.
- We have appropriate processes in place to check the accuracy of the data we collect, and we record the source of that data.
- We have a process in place to identify when we need to keep the data updated to properly fulfil our purpose, and we update it as necessary.
- If we need to keep a record of a mistake, we clearly identify it as a mistake.
- Our records clearly identify any matters of opinion, and where appropriate whose opinion it is and any relevant changes to the underlying facts.
- We comply with the individual's right to rectification and carefully consider any challenges to the accuracy of the personal data.
- As a matter of good practice, we keep a note of any challenges to the accuracy of the personal data.

## 5. Storage limitation

- You must not keep personal data for longer than you need it.
- You need to think about – and be able to justify – how long you keep personal data. This will depend on your purposes for holding the data.
- You need a policy setting standard retention periods wherever possible, to comply with documentation requirements.
- You should also periodically review the data you hold, and erase or anonymise it when you no longer need it.
- You must carefully consider any challenges to your retention of data. Individuals have a right to erasure if you no longer need the data.
- You can keep personal data for longer if you are only keeping it for public interest archiving, scientific or historical research, or statistical purposes.

### Checklist:

- We know what personal data we hold and why we need it.
- We carefully consider and can justify how long we keep personal data.
- We have a policy with standard retention periods where possible, in line with documentation obligations.
- We regularly review our information and erase or anonymise personal data when we no longer need it.
- We have appropriate processes in place to comply with individuals' requests for erasure under 'the right to be forgotten'.
- We clearly identify any personal data that we need to keep for public interest archiving, scientific or historical research, or statistical purposes.

## 6. Integrity and confidentiality (security)

- You must ensure that you have appropriate security measures in place to protect the personal data you hold.
- This is the 'integrity and confidentiality' principle of the GDPR – also known as the security principle.
- Process personal data securely by means of 'appropriate technical and organisational measures' – this is the 'security principle'.
- Consider things like risk analysis, organisational policies, and physical and technical measures.
- Take into account additional requirements about the security of your processing – and these also apply to data processors.
- You can consider the state of the art and costs of implementation when deciding what measures to take – but they must be appropriate both to your circumstances and the risk your processing poses.
- Where appropriate, you should look to use measures such as pseudonymisation and encryption.
- Your measures must ensure the 'confidentiality, integrity and availability' of your systems and services and the personal data you process within them.
- The measures must also enable you to restore access and availability to personal data in a timely manner in the event of a physical or technical incident (ie backups).
- You also need to ensure that you have appropriate processes in place to test the effectiveness of your measures, and undertake any required improvements.

### Checklist:

- Undertake an analysis of the risks presented by our processing, and use this to assess the appropriate level of security we need to put in place.
- Take account of the state of the art and costs of implementation.
- Regularly review our information security policies and measures and, where necessary, improve them.
- Understand the requirements of confidentiality, integrity and availability for the personal data we process.
- Make sure that we can restore access to personal data in the event of any incidents, such as by establishing an appropriate backup process.
- Do regular testing and reviews of our measures to ensure they remain effective, and act on the results of those tests where they highlight areas for improvement.
- Ensure that any data processor we use also implements appropriate technical and organisational measures.

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