

This notice sets out how we will use your personal data, and your rights. It is made under Articles 13 and/or 14 of the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR).

## **Your data**

### **Purpose**

The purpose(s) for which we are processing your personal data is(are):

- To enable Cabinet Office Security & Resilience to quickly and reliably disseminate information and instructions to staff during a critical incident or when crisis management is triggered.
- To ensure staff are provided with the instructions they need in a crisis, improving recovery times in restoring business functions, reducing confusion and possible risks to staff wellbeing.

To achieve the above your personal data will be used to send texts and emails (or a combination of these) with information or instructions during a critical event (or test).

This is a key part of business continuity, allowing the department to continue to function in the event of a crisis. It provides resilience, mitigating the impact a critical incident may have on overall business operations, and possibly on normal Cabinet Office OFFICIAL communication channels.

### **The data**

We will process the following personal data:

- Full name
- Work mobile number
- Personal mobile number
- Work email address

## **Legal basis of processing**

The legal basis for processing your personal data is:

Processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the data controller. In this case, processing is necessary to ensure that the department continues to function during a crisis or incident. It is in the public interest to facilitate the restoration of Cabinet Office's functions as quickly as possible, and reduce its impact.

This legal basis is relied upon for general communications to support operational continuity.

Comply with a legal obligation on the controller. The Health and Safety At Work etc. Act 1974 places an obligation on employers "to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the health, safety and welfare at work of all his employees". A core element of this is a capability to quickly communicate with all staff about security and safety incidents.

This legal basis is relied upon for communications that could affect the safety and/or security of staff

## **Recipients**

Your personal data will be shared by us with Gov Notify (a Government Digital Service platform that provides an emergency notification capability) as our data processor.

As your personal data will be stored on our IT infrastructure it will also be shared with our data processors who provide email, and document management and storage services.

## **Retention**

Your personal data will be kept by us for whilst you are employed by the Cabinet Office and will be deleted 1 month after you leave the Cabinet Office.

Your personal data is obtained by us from the contents of the SOP system.

## **Your rights**

You have the right to request information about how your personal data are processed, and to request a copy of that personal data.

You have the right to request that any inaccuracies in your personal data are rectified without delay.

You have the right to request that any incomplete personal data are completed, including by means of a supplementary statement.

You have the right to request that your personal data are erased if there is no longer a justification for them to be processed.

You have the right in certain circumstances (for example, where accuracy is contested) to request that the processing of your personal data is restricted.

You have the right to object to the processing of your personal data where it is processed for direct marketing purposes.

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## **International transfers**

As your personal data is stored on our Corporate IT infrastructure, and shared with our data processors, it may be transferred and stored securely outside the UK. Where that is the case it will be subject to equivalent legal protection through an adequacy decision, reliance on Standard Contractual Clauses, or reliance on a UK International Data Transfer Agreement.

## **Complaints**

If you consider that your personal data has been misused or mishandled, you may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner, who is an independent regulator. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

or 0303 123 1113, or [icocasework@ico.org.uk](mailto:icocasework@ico.org.uk). Any complaint to the Information Commissioner is without prejudice to your right to seek redress through the courts.

## Contact details

The data controller for your personal data is the Cabinet Office. The contact details for the data controller are:

Cabinet Office  
70 Whitehall  
London  
SW1A 2AS

or 0207 276 1234, or you can use this [webform](#).

The contact details for the data controller's Data Protection Officer are:  
[dpo@cabinetoffice.gov.uk](mailto:dpo@cabinetoffice.gov.uk).

The Data Protection Officer provides independent advice and monitoring of Cabinet Office's use of personal information.