

Fair Processing of Personal Data

Data Protection Toolkit for Schools

Legal Bases



Consent

Where an individual has given clear permission for their personal data to be processed, e.g. parents consenting for their children's photos to be used on the school website.



Performance of a contract

Where personal data is to be processed to fulfil an agreement or service. e.g. a school in its role as an employer enters into contracts with teachers, SNAs, and similar staff, and processes their data as required.



Compliance with a legal obligation

Where the law requires personal data to be processed, e.g. in line with the Education Act 1998.



Vital interest

Where processing of personal data is necessary to protect a student's safety. e.g. the school shares a student's medical details with a paramedic in an emergency.



Public interest

Where personal data is processed as part of official duties of the school in the public interest.



Legitimate interest

Where data is used for a school's legitimate interest, provided it doesn't override the student's individual rights or rights of any other member of the school community whose data may be processed.

You can find more in-depth information around the legal bases for processing personal data by scanning the QR code.



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