



Educ8 Privacy Policy

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Introduction

The Educ8 Group (Educ8 Ltd, Educ8 Training Ltd, Network Training Services Ltd and Regner8 Cymru) is committed to data security and the fair and transparent processing of personal data. This privacy policy sets out how we will treat the personal data which you provide to us in compliance with applicable data protection law, in particular the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (GDPR).

Please read this Policy carefully as it contains important information on who we are, how and why we collect, store, use and share personal data, your rights in relation to your personal data, how to contact us and supervisory authorities in the event that you would like to report a concern about the way in which we process your data.

Who are we?

The Educ8 Group provides opportunities for young people and adults to gain new skills and achieve nationally accredited qualifications, we operate in both England and Wales.

For the purposes of the GDPR, the Educ8 Group is the 'data processor and data controller' of the personal data you provide to us.

If you have any queries about this Policy, the way in which the Educ8 Group processes personal data, or about exercising any of your rights, please send an email to dpo@educ8training.co.uk or write to Data Protection, Educ8 Ltd, Gateway Tredomen, Tredomen Business Park, Ystrad Mynach, Caerphilly, CF82 7EH.

Educ8 Group owns and operates www.educ8training.co.uk. This Policy, together with our Website terms of use and any other documents referred to in them, sets out the basis on which the Educ8 Group processes personal data.

Web browser cookies

Our website may use "cookies" to enhance user experience. User's web browser places cookies on their hard drive for record-keeping purposes and sometimes to track information about them. User may choose to set their web browser to refuse cookies, or to alert you when cookies are being sent. If they do so, note that some parts of the website may not function properly.

What personal data do we collect?

We may collect and process the following personal data; name, postal address, e-mail address, telephone number, date of birth, National Insurance Number, Ethnicity, Disability and qualification history. Where learners are accessing government funds, our contract with Welsh Government explicitly states the information we must collect.

Information will be collected, if you:

- complete a form on our Website;
- Submit a CV
- complete a survey;
- correspond with us by phone, e-mail, or in writing;
- report a problem;
- sign up to receive our communications;
- enter into a contract with us to receive products and/or services,

In some cases, the organisation may collect personal data about you from third parties such as references supplied by former employers, information from employment background check

providers, information from credit reference agencies and information from criminal records checks permitted by law.

Information we collect about you

If you visit our Website, we may automatically collect the following information:

- Technical information, including the internet protocol (IP) address used to connect your computer to the Internet, login information, browser type and version, time zone setting, browser plug-in types and versions, operating system and platform;
- Information about your visit to our Website such as the products and/or services you searched for and view, page response times, download errors, length of visits to certain pages, page interaction information (such as scrolling, clicks, and mouse-overs), and methods used to browse away from the page.

Information we receive from other sources

We may also receive information about you if you use any of the other websites we operate or the other services we provide.

Information about other people

If you provide information to us about any person other than yourself, such as your relatives, next of kin, your advisers or your suppliers, you must ensure that they understand how their information will be used, and that they have given their permission for you to disclose it to us and for you to allow us, and our outsourced service providers, to use it.

Sensitive personal data

In certain limited cases, we may collect certain sensitive personal data from you (that is, information about your racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious beliefs, trade union activities, physical or mental health or or details of criminal offences). However, we will only do so on the basis of your explicit consent.

How do we use your personal data?

When we ask you to supply us with personal data we will make it clear whether the personal data we are asking for must be supplied so that we can provide the products and services to you, or whether the supply of any personal data we ask for is optional.

Contract performance: we may use your personal data to fulfil a contract, or take steps linked to a contract:

- To provide the products and/or services to you;
- To communicate with you in relation to the provision of the contracted products and services;
- To provide you with administrative support such as account creation, security, and responding to issues; and
- Provide you with industry information, surveys, information about our awards and events, offers and promotions, related to the products and/or services.

Legitimate interests: where this is necessary for purposes which are in our, or third parties, legitimate interests. These interests are:

- providing you with newsletters, surveys, information about our awards and events, offers, and promotions, related to products and services offered by a member of the Educ8 Group which may be of interest to you;
- communicating with you in relation to any issues, complaints, or disputes;
- improving the quality of experience when you interact with our products and/or services, including testing the performance and customer experience of our Website;
- Performing analytics on sales/marketing data, determining the effectiveness of promotional campaigns.

NOTE: you have the right to object to the processing of your personal data on the basis of legitimate interests as set out below, under the heading Your rights.

Consent: where you have given your express consent to receive marketing communications, we may use your personal data to:

- Send you newsletters, surveys, information about our awards and events, offers, and promotions, related to products and services offered by a member of the Educ8 Group which may be of interest to you;
- Developing, improving, and delivering marketing and advertising for products and services offered by a member of the Educ8 Group.

Where required by law: we may also process your personal data if required by law, including responding to requests by government or law enforcement authorities, or for the prevention of crime or fraud.

Who do we share your personal data with?

We take all reasonable steps to ensure that our staff protect your personal data and are aware of their information security obligations. We limit access to your personal data to those who have a genuine business need to know it.

Data Sharing Agreements

The Educ8 Group will have a formal data sharing agreement in place whenever we share your data with a third party. Part of the agreement means the third party will have to sign a confidentiality agreement in relation to your data to show that they operate satisfactory information security procedures and that they destroy their copies of your data when it's no longer needed. They can only use your data for the reason they sign up to and nothing else. All copies of data transfers are logged and recorded.

We may also share your personal data with trusted third parties including:

- Legal and other professional advisers, consultants, and professional experts;
- Service providers contracted to us in connection with provision of the products and services such as providers of IT services and customer relationship management services; and
- Analytics and search engine providers that assist us in the improvement and optimisation of our Website.

We will ensure there is a contract in place with the categories of recipients listed above which include obligations in relation to the confidentiality, security, and lawful processing of any personal data shared with them.

Where a third party recipient is located outside the European Economic Area, we will ensure that the transfer of personal data will be protected by appropriate safeguards, namely the use of standard data protection clauses adopted or approved by the European Commission.

We will share personal data with law enforcement or other authorities if required by applicable law.

How long will you keep your personal data?

Where individuals or employers have accessed government funds to support their learning programme, we will retain your personal data for the duration of the contract, and for a period of 10 years following its termination or expiry, to ensure we are able to comply with any contractual, legal, audit and other regulatory requirements, or any orders from competent courts or authorities.

Where individuals or employers have engaged with our services on a commercial basis, we will retain your personal data for a period of 6 years, from the end of that financial year in which the services were delivered.

Where you have consented to marketing communications, you may change your preferences or unsubscribe from marketing communications at any time by clicking the unsubscribe link in an email from us.

Where do we store your personal data and how is it protected?

We take reasonable steps to protect your personal data from loss or destruction. We also have procedures in place to deal with any suspected data security breach. We will notify you and any applicable regulator of a suspected data security breach where we are legally required to do so. Where you have a username or password (or other identification information) which enables you to access certain services or parts of our Website, you are responsible for keeping this password confidential. We ask you not to share a password with anyone.

Unfortunately, the transmission of information via the internet is not completely secure. Although we will do our best to protect your personal data, we cannot guarantee the security of your personal data transmitted to our Website; any transmission is at your own risk. Once we have received your personal data, we will use strict procedures and security features to try to prevent unauthorised access.

Your rights

Under the GDPR, you have various rights with respect to our use of your personal data:

Right to Access

You have the right to request a copy of the personal data that we hold about you by contacting us at the email or postal address given below. Please include with your request information that will enable us to verify your identity. We will respond within 30 days of request. Please note that there are exceptions to this right. We may be unable to make all information available to you if, for example, making the information available to you would reveal personal data about another person, if we are legally prevented from disclosing such information. Or if your request is manifestly unfounded or excessive.

Right to rectification

We aim to keep your personal data accurate and complete. We encourage you to contact us using the contact details provided below to let us know if any of your personal data is not accurate or changes, so that we can keep your personal data up-to-date.

Right to erasure

You have the right to request the deletion of your personal data where, for example, the personal data are no longer necessary for the purposes for which they were collected, where you withdraw your consent to processing, where there is no overriding legitimate interest for us to continue to process your personal data, or your personal data has been unlawfully processed. If you would like to request that your personal data is erased, please contact us using the contact details provided below.

Right to object

In certain circumstances, you have the right to object to the processing of your personal data where, for example, your personal data is being processed on the basis of legitimate interests and there is no overriding legitimate interest for us to continue to process your personal data, or if your data is being processed for direct marketing purposes. If you would like to object to the processing of your personal data, please contact us using the contact details provided below.

Right to restrict processing

In certain circumstances, you have the right to request that we restrict the further processing of your personal data. This right arises where, for example, you have contested the accuracy of the personal data we hold about you and we are verifying the information, you have objected to processing based on legitimate interests and we are considering whether there are any overriding legitimate interests, or the processing is unlawful and you elect that processing is restricted rather than deleted. Please contact us using the contact details provided below.

Right to data portability

In certain circumstances, you have the right to request that some of your personal data is provided to you, or to another data controller, in a commonly used, machine-readable format. This right arises where you have provided your personal data to us, the processing is based on consent or the performance of a contract, and processing is carried out by automated means. If you would like to request that your personal data is ported to you, please contact us using the contact details provided below.

Please note that the GDPR sets out exceptions to these rights. If we are unable to comply with your request due to an exception we will explain this to you in our response.

Contact

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Complaints

If you believe that your data protection rights may have been breached, and we have been unable to resolve your concern, you may lodge a complaint the applicable supervisory authority or to seek a remedy through the courts. Please visit <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> for more information on how to report a concern to the UK Information Commissioner's Office.

Changes to our Policy

Any changes we may make to our Policy in the future will be posted on this page and, where appropriate, notified to you by e-mail. Please check back frequently to see any updates or changes to our Policy.