Data Privacy Notice

Information applicable to all Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade customers.

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade is fully committed to keeping all personal data submitted by its customers, safe and secure during administrative processes. All necessary technical measures have been put in place to ensure the safety and security of the systems which hold this data.

Transparency and openness in the use of personal data held is important to the Department and therefore we aim to fully inform all our customers about the purpose(s) for which their data will be used and why, where it may be shared elsewhere and why and how long their data may be held by the Department. Information on the rights of the customers will also be provided.

The current legislation for Data Protection in Ireland is the Data Protection Acts 1988 - 2018 and the General Data Protection Regulations (EU 2016/679). The Data Controller for the collection and processing of all personal data in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade is the Department itself, as a legal entity.

The Data Protection Officer can be contacted as follows:

Data Protection Officer,
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
76/78 Harcourt Street,
Dublin 2,
D02 DX45

Email: data.protection@dfa.ie

Personal data processed by the Department will only be used for the specific purpose(s) as outlined when the data is collected, or in later communications, and will only be used in accordance with the Data Protection legislation in force.

Rights of the individual in relation to personal data held by the Department:

When you, as a customer, provide personal data to the Department you have certain rights available to you in relation to that data. These rights are outlined below and can be exercised by contacting the Data Protection Officer, as detailed above, indicating which right(s) you wish to exercise:

· Right of access

- Right to rectification
- Right to erasure
- Right to restrict processing
- Right to data portability
- Restriction of processing
- Data portability
- Objection to processing
- Withdraw consent if they previously gave it in relation to processing of their personal data relating to automated decision making, including profiling
- Make a complaint to the Data Protection Commissioner if you consider that processing of your personal data is contrary to the GDPR.

Complaints to the Commission should be made in writing and addressed to: info@dataprotection.ie

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The Data Protection Commissioner, Canal House, Station Road, Portarlington, Co. Laois

The Data Protection Commissioner also operates a helpdesk function, which is contactable at 0761 104 800 or LoCall 1890 252231