



# Privacy Notice

## INTRODUCTION

This is Epoq Legal Ltd's privacy notice.

We respect your privacy and are committed to protecting your personal data. This privacy notice will tell you how we look after your personal data when you visit this website (wherever you visit it from), or someone visits it for you, and tell you about your privacy rights and how the law protects you.

This privacy notice is provided in a layered format so you can click through to the specific areas set out below. You can also download a pdf version of the notice [here](#).

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND WHO WE ARE

### 1. Who this privacy notice affects

2. This privacy notice affects:

- a. our registered customers; i.e. those that have created an account to use those products and services offered on our website that are only available to account holders; and
- b. visitors to our website to the much more limited extent that personal data about such visitors is collected automatically as a result of their interaction with our website.

3. This privacy notice also applies to the following. For some services, we treat non-account holders as customers (**deemed customers**) even though they have not registered as such. This will only be the case where a registered customer purchases a mirror wills template or paired wills templates and one of the wills created from that template or those templates relates to a non-account holder. In these circumstances, that non-account holder will be a deemed customer. In relation to a deemed customer, any reference in this privacy notice to you completing a legal document template or entering information to complete a legal document template includes a registered customer performing these acts for a deemed customer.

4. This privacy notice does not, however, apply in the following circumstances. We have developed technology (**Online by Invitation**), that allows you to share a document that you have created with a third party (**Invitee**) online for collaboration purposes. This privacy notice does not apply to any information collected about your Invitee, which shall be considered to be your personal data. Any reference, therefore, in this privacy notice to you or your personal data shall concern only registered customers, deemed customers and (to a limited extent) visitors.

### 5. Purpose of this privacy notice

6. This privacy notice gives you information about how Epoq Legal Ltd collects and deals with your personal data when you use this website. In this privacy notice, we use the word **process** to cover all the different ways in which we handle your personal data, such as collection, use, storage and transfer.

7. This website is not intended for children and we do not knowingly collect data relating to children.

8. It is important that you read this privacy notice, as well as any other privacy notice we may give you on specific occasions when we are processing personal data about you, so you know how and why we are using your personal data.

### 9. Controller

10. Epoq Legal Ltd (referred to as **we, our, us** in this privacy notice) is the **controller**. In other words, we decide when, why and how to process your personal data and we are responsible for

looking after it and protecting your rights.

11. We have appointed a data privacy manager who is responsible for overseeing questions in relation to this privacy notice. If you have any questions about this privacy notice, including any requests to exercise your legal rights, please contact the data privacy manager using the details set out below.
12. **Contact details**
13. Our full details are:

Full name of legal entity: Epoq Legal Ltd

Data privacy manager: dataprivacy@epoq.co.uk

Postal address: Unit 2, 2 Imperial Place, Maxwell Road, Borehamwood, Hertfordshire, WD6 1JN

14. You have the right to make a complaint at any time to the Information Commissioner's Office (**ICO**), the UK supervisory authority for data protection issues ([www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)). We would, however, appreciate the chance to deal with your concerns before you approach the ICO so please contact us first.
15. Changes to the privacy notice and your duty to inform us of changes
16. This version was last updated on May 22nd 2018.
17. It is important that the personal data we hold about you is accurate and current. Please tell us if your personal data changes during your relationship with us.
18. **Third-party links**
19. This website may include links to third-party websites, plug-ins and applications. Clicking on those links or enabling those connections may allow third parties to collect or share data about you. We do not control these third parties and are not responsible for how they deal with your personal data, so we encourage you to read their privacy notices before allowing them to process your personal data.

## THE DATA WE COLLECT ABOUT YOU

1. Personal data means any information about an individual from which that person can be identified. It does not include data where the identity has been removed (**anonymous data**).
2. We may process different kinds of personal data about you (including information about your Invitees) which we have grouped together as follows:
  - a. **Contact Data** includes address, email address and telephone numbers.
  - b. **Identity Data** includes name(s), date of birth and gender.
  - c. **Marketing and Communications Data** includes your preferences in receiving marketing from us and your communication preferences.
  - d. **Profile Data** includes, your interests, preferences, feedback and survey responses.
  - e. **Service Data** includes your username and password, security questions, and identifiers and metadata specific to you.
  - f. **Support Data** includes information passing between you and support teams in connection with the provision of services you have requested.
  - g. **Technical Data** includes internet protocol (IP) address, browser type and version, time zone setting and location, browser plug-in types and versions, operating system and platform and other technology on the devices you use to access this website.
  - h. **Template Data** includes information you enter when completing our automated legal document templates.
  - i. **Usage Data** includes information about how you use our website, your session activity, and how you use our products and services.
3. We collect, use and share **Aggregated Data** such as statistical or demographic data for any purpose. Aggregated Data may be derived from your personal data but is not considered personal data in law as this data does not directly or indirectly reveal your identity. For example, we may aggregate your Usage Data to calculate the percentage of users accessing a specific website feature. However, if we combine or connect Aggregated Data with your personal data so that it can directly or indirectly identify you, we treat the combined data as personal data which will be used in accordance with this privacy notice.
4. When you complete some of our automated legal document templates, you may have to, or choose to, provide **Special Categories of Personal Data** about yourself in order to complete your document fully. Special Categories of Personal Data include details about your race or ethnicity, religious or philosophical beliefs, sex life, sexual orientation, political opinions, trade union membership, information about your health and genetic and biometric data. For example, when you use one of our templates to make a will, you will be asked about your capacity to sign. In these cases, you will be asked to consent to us processing this kind of information about you (for the purpose only of creating your document) before being asked to provide it. If you do

not give your consent, you may not be able to complete your document. Otherwise, we do not collect any Special Categories of Personal Data about you. Nor do we collect any information about criminal convictions and offences.

**5. If you fail to provide personal data**

6. Where we need to collect personal data by law, or under the terms of a contract we have with you and you fail to provide that data when requested, we may not be able to perform the contract we have or are trying to enter into with you (for example, to provide you with products or services). In this case, we may have to cancel a product or service you have with us but we will notify you if this is the case at the time.

## HOW IS YOUR PERSONAL DATA COLLECTED?

1. We use different methods to collect data from and about you including through:
  - a. **Direct interactions.** You may give us your personal data by filling in forms on this website; by corresponding with us by post, phone, email or otherwise; or when entering information to create a legal document. This includes personal data you provide when you:
    - i. create an account on our website;
    - ii. use our products or services;
    - iii. request marketing or our publications to be sent to you;
    - iv. enter a competition, promotion or survey; or
    - v. give us some feedback.
  - b. **Automated technologies or interactions.** As you interact with our website, we may automatically collect Technical Data about your equipment, browsing actions and patterns and Usage Data about how you use our products and services. We collect this personal data by using cookies, server logs and other similar technologies. Please see our [cookie notice](#) for further information.
  - c. **Third parties.** We may receive personal data about you from various third parties or publicly available sources as set out below:
    - i. Technical and Usage Data from analytics providers such as Google based outside the EU.
    - ii. Identity and Contact Data from organisations based inside the EU that have facilitated your access to our products and services. This may be because of an existing relationship you have with that organisation; for example, where an employer arranges for its employees to have access to our products and services. Or, it may be the result only of an introduction that you have asked them to make.
    - iii. If you are a deemed customer, we may receive Identity and Contact Data, Support Data and Template Data about you from the associated registered customer.

## HOW WE USE YOUR PERSONAL DATA

1. We will only use your personal data when the law allows us to. Most commonly, we will use your personal data in the following circumstances:
  - a. Where we need to perform the contract we are about to enter into or have entered into with you. **Performance of Contract** means processing your personal data where it is necessary for the performance of a contract that we have with you or to take steps at your request before entering into such a contract.
  - b. Where it is necessary for our legitimate interests (or those of a third party) and your interests and fundamental rights do not override those interests. **Legitimate Interests** means our interests in developing our business, products and services; protecting our business; and managing it efficiently. We make sure we consider and balance any potential impact on you (both positive and negative) and your rights before we process your personal data for our legitimate interests. We do not use your personal data for activities where our interests are overridden by the impact on you (unless we have your consent or are otherwise required or permitted to by law). You can obtain further information about how we assess our legitimate interests against any potential impact on you in respect of specific activities by [contacting us](#)
  - c. Where we need to comply with a legal or regulatory obligation. **Comply with a legal or regulatory obligation** means processing your personal data where it is necessary for compliance with a legal or regulatory obligation that we are subject to.
2. We may share Template Data that you give to us when completing one of our automated legal document templates with third parties so that they can provide a service or assistance that you have requested. For example, when you create a document on this website, we may offer the facility for you to request that the document be reviewed by a lawyer of your choice. If you request this review service, using the Online by Invitation technology, the lawyer can be given online access to your electronic document file, and the associated questionnaire that you

completed, so that the lawyer may undertake the requested review. This technology may be used in other circumstances, but it will only ever be used to share your document with a third party so that the third party can provide a service or assistance that you have requested. We rely on consent as a legal ground for processing your personal data in this way.

3. We also rely on consent as a legal ground for processing your personal data in relation to sending direct marketing communications to you via email or text message. You have the right to withdraw your consent to receive such communications at any time. You can do this by editing your preferences yourself from the 'My account' page of this website or, alternatively, by [contacting us](#).
4. Generally, however, we do not rely on consent as a legal ground for processing your personal data except in the circumstances described above.
5. **Purposes for which we will use your personal data**
6. We have set out below a description of all the ways we plan to use your personal data, and which of the legal grounds we rely on to do so. We have also identified what our legitimate interests are where appropriate.
7. Note that we may process your personal data for more than one lawful ground depending on the specific purpose for which we are using your data. Please contact us if you need details about the specific legal ground we are relying on to process your personal data where more than one ground has been set out below.

Purpose/Activity	Legal ground for processing and (where applicable) nature of legitimate interest
To create , validate and (if necessary) recover an account for you, we will process Contact Data and Identity Data.	Performance of a contract with you
To provide or perform the product or service you have requested, we will process Contact Data, Identity Data, Service Data, Support Data and Template Data.	(1) Performance of a contract with you (2) Where this involves processing Special Categories of Personal Data, we will obtain your explicit consent
To share Template Data with third parties at your request using the Online by Invitation functionality	Consent
To be able to respond to or defend complaints and claims, we will process Contact Data, Identity Data, Support Data, Template Data and Usage Data	Necessary for our legitimate interests (to protect our business)
To send service communications to you and to tell you about changes to our terms, we will process Contact Data, Identity Data and Service Data	Performance of a contract with you
To send marketing communications to you by email or text message, we will process Contact Data, Identity Data and Marketing and Communications Data	Consent
To send legal bulletins to you by email, we will process Contact Data, Identity Data and Marketing and Communications Data	Necessary for our legitimate interests (to support our products/services and to grow our business)
To administer and protect our business and this website (including troubleshooting, data analysis, testing, system maintenance, support, reporting and hosting of data), we will process Contact Data, Identity Data, Service Data and Technical Data	(1) Necessary for our legitimate interests (for running our business, provision of administration and IT services, network security, to prevent fraud and in the context of a business reorganisation or group restructuring exercise) (2) Necessary to comply with a legal obligation
To identify possible developments and improvements to our website, products/services, marketing, customer relationships and experiences, we will process Contact Data, Identity Data, Profile Data, Support Data, Technical Data and Usage Data	Necessary for our legitimate interests (to study how customers use our products/services, to develop them and to inform our business development strategy)

To make suggestions and recommendations to you about products or services that may be of interest to you, we will process Contact Data, Identity Data, Profile Data, Support Data and Usage Data

Necessary for our legitimate interests (to develop our products/services and grow our business)

#### 8. **Marketing to registered customers**

9. We may use your Contact Data, Identity Data, Profile Data, Support Data and Usage Data to form a view on what we think you may want or need, or what may be of interest to you. This is how we decide which products, services and offers may be relevant for you (we call this marketing).
10. You may receive marketing communications from us if you have requested information from us or purchased products or services from us or if you provided us with your details when you entered a competition or registered for a promotion and, in each case, you have not opted out of receiving that marketing.
11. You can ask us to stop sending you marketing messages at any time by editing your preferences from the 'My Account' page of this website or by following the opt-out links on any marketing message sent to you or by contacting us at any time.
12. **Marketing to deemed customers and visitors**
13. We do not market to deemed customers or visitors.
14. **Third-party marketing**
15. We do not share your personal data with any outside company for marketing purposes.
16. **Cookies**
17. When we provide services, we want to make them easy, useful and reliable. This sometimes involves placing small amounts of information on your computer. These are called 'cookies'.
18. These cookies are used to improve services for you through:
  - a. Letting you navigate between pages efficiently
  - b. Enabling a service to recognise your computer so you don't have to give the same information during one task
  - c. Recognising that you have already given a username and password so you don't need to enter it for every web page requested
  - d. Measuring how many people are using services, so they can be made easier to use and that there is enough capacity to ensure they are fast
19. You can learn more about cookies from [AllAboutCookies.org](http://AllAboutCookies.org) or [www.youronlinechoices.eu](http://www.youronlinechoices.eu).
20. Users typically have the opportunity to set their browser to accept all or some cookies, to notify them when a cookie is issued, or not to receive cookies at any time. The last of these, of course, means that personalised services cannot be provided and the user may not be able to take full advantage of all of a website's features. Refer to your browser's Help section for specific guidance on how it allows you to manage cookies and how you may delete cookies you wish to remove from your computer.
21. Multiple cookies may be found in a single file depending on which browser you use.
22. The cookies used on this website have been categorised as follows:
23. **Category 1: strictly necessary cookies**
24. These cookies are essential in order to enable you to move around the website and use its features, such as accessing secure areas of the website. Without these cookies services you have asked for, like shopping baskets or e-billing, cannot be provided
25. **Category 2: performance cookies**
26. These cookies collect information about how visitors use a website, for instance which pages visitors go to most often, and if they get error messages from web pages. These cookies don't collect information that identifies a visitor. All information these cookies collect is aggregated and therefore anonymous. It is only used to improve how a website works.
27. **Category 3: functionality cookies**
28. These cookies allow the website to remember choices you make (such as your user name, language or the region you are in) and provide enhanced, more personal features. For instance, a website may be able to provide you with local weather reports or traffic news by storing in a cookie the region in which you are currently located. These cookies can also be used to remember changes you have made to text size, fonts and other parts of web pages that you can customise. They may also be used to provide services you have asked for such as a live chat session. The information these cookies collect may be anonymised and they cannot track your browsing activity on other websites.
29. The list below shows the cookies that we use, other than those that are strictly necessary to this service. If you have any queries about these, or would like more information, please [contact us](#).
30. Performance cookies
31. **Google Analytics** sets cookies (**\_ga**, **\_gat**, **\_gid**) to help us accurately monitor the number of unique visitors to various parts of our website and the volumes of usage. Data is only used in

- aggregate.
32. For further details on the cookies set by Google Analytics, please refer to the [Google Code website](#).
  33. To provide website visitors with more choice on how their data is collected by Google Analytics, Google has developed the [Google Analytics Opt-out Browser Add-on](#). The add-on communicates with the Google Analytics JavaScript (analytics.js) to indicate that information about the website visit should not be sent to Google Analytics.
  34. If you want to opt out, download and install the add-on for your current web browser. The Google Analytics Opt-out Browser Add-on is available for Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, Apple Safari and Opera.
  35. **Google Ad Services** sets the **AID** cookie to help us with conversion tracking. Conversion tracking involves recording the movements of visitors on this website. The recorded data is then used to find out which aspects of our website design and customer journey are working and which ones aren't.
  36. Functionality cookies
  37. **Cloudflare** uses the cookie **\_cfduid** for security and threat detection purposes.
  38. We use the cookie **evms** to allow you the option to send answers from a document selector or legal healthcheck into our documents.
  39. We use **localstorage** to save the state of different parts of this website, as follows:
    - a. {selectortype}\_selector - stores the answers to a document selector or legal healthcheck to show your saved results when you return (this stores personal information due to the nature of the selector but is not used anywhere else except re-populating the questionnaire); and
    - b. {customerid}.filters - stores the options used to filter or sort your saved documents.
  40. By using this website and/or by registering for a user account, you agree that we can place these types of cookies on your device.
  41. **Change of purpose**
  42. We will only use your personal data for the purposes for which we collected it, unless we reasonably consider that we need to use it for another reason and that reason is compatible with the original purpose. If you wish to get an explanation as to how the processing for the new purpose is compatible with the original purpose, please [contact us](#).
  43. If we need to use your personal data for an unrelated purpose, we will notify you and we will explain the legal ground which allows us to do so.
  44. Please note that we may process your personal data without your knowledge or consent, in compliance with the above rules, where this is required or permitted by law.

## DISCLOSURES OF YOUR PERSONAL DATA

1. We may have to share your personal data with the parties set out below for the purposes set out in the table in paragraph 4 above:
  - a. Our service providers based in the UK and the Republic of Ireland who provide IT and system administration services.
  - b. Other service providers based in the UK providing services offered on our website direct to you.
  - c. Some of the personal data that we hold about a deemed customer in the circumstances described in section 3.1(c) (i.e. that which can be viewed or accessed from the associated registered customer's account page) is necessarily shared with the associated registered customer.
  - d. Professional advisers including lawyers, bankers, auditors and insurers based in the UK who provide consultancy, banking, legal, insurance and accounting services.
  - e. HM Revenue & Customs, regulators and other authorities based in the UK who require reporting of processing activities in certain circumstances.
  - f. Third parties to whom we may choose to sell, transfer, or merge parts of our business or our assets. Alternatively, we may seek to acquire other businesses or merge with them. If a change happens to our business, then the new owners may use your personal data in the same way as set out in this privacy notice.
2. We require all third parties to respect the security of your personal data and to treat it in accordance with the law. We do not allow our third-party service providers to use your personal data for their own purposes and only permit them to process your personal data for specified purposes and in accordance with our instructions.

## INTERNATIONAL TRANSFERS

1. We do not transfer your personal data outside the European Economic Area (**EEA**)

## DATA SECURITY

1. We have put in place appropriate security measures to prevent your personal data from being accidentally lost, used or accessed in an unauthorised way, altered or disclosed. In addition, we limit access to your personal data to those employees, agents, contractors and other third parties who have a business need to know. They will only process your personal data on our instructions and they are subject to a duty of confidentiality.
2. We have put in place procedures to deal with any suspected personal data breach and will notify you and any applicable regulator of a breach where we are legally required to do so.

## DATA RETENTION

1. **How long will you use my personal data for?**
2. We will only retain your personal data for as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes we collected it for, including for the purposes of satisfying any legal, accounting, or reporting requirements.
3. To determine the appropriate retention period for personal data, we consider the amount, nature, and sensitivity of the personal data, the potential risk of harm from unauthorised use or disclosure of your personal data, the purposes for which we process your personal data and whether we can achieve those purposes through other means, and the applicable legal requirements.
4. Details of retention periods for different aspects of your personal data are available in our retention policy which you can request from us by [contacting us](#).
5. In some circumstances you can ask us to delete your data: see below for further information.
6. In some circumstances we may anonymise your personal data (so that it can no longer be associated with you) for research or statistical purposes in which case we may use this information indefinitely without further notice to you.

## YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS

1. Under certain circumstances, you have rights under data protection laws in relation to your personal data.
2. You have the right to:
  - a. **Request access** to your personal data (commonly known as a "data subject access request"). This enables you to receive a copy of the personal data we hold about you and to check that we are lawfully processing it.
  - b. **Request correction** of the personal data that we hold about you. This enables you to have any incomplete or inaccurate data we hold about you corrected, though we may need to verify the accuracy of the new data you provide to us.
  - c. **Request erasure** of your personal data. This enables you to ask us to delete or remove personal data where there is no good reason for us continuing to process it. You also have the right to ask us to delete or remove your personal data where you have successfully exercised your right to object to processing (see below), where we may have processed your information unlawfully or where we are required to erase your personal data to comply with local law. Note, however, that we may not always be able to comply with your request for erasure for specific legal reasons which will be notified to you, if applicable, at the time of your request.
  - d. **Object to processing** of your personal data where we are relying on a legitimate interest (or those of a third party) and there is something about your particular situation which makes you want to object to processing on this ground as you feel it impacts on your fundamental rights and freedoms. You also have the right to object where we are processing your personal data for direct marketing purposes. In some cases, we may demonstrate that we have compelling legitimate grounds to process your information which override your rights and freedoms.
  - e. **Request restriction** of processing of your personal data. This enables you to ask us to suspend the processing of your personal data in the following situations:
    - i. if you want us to establish the data's accuracy;
    - ii. where our use of the data is unlawful but you do not want us to erase it;
    - iii. where you need us to hold the data even if we no longer require it as you need it to establish, exercise or defend legal claims; or
    - iv. you have objected to our use of your data but we need to verify whether we have overriding legitimate grounds to use it.
  - f. **Request the transfer** of your personal data to you or to a third party. We will provide to you, or a third party you have chosen, your personal data in a structured, commonly used, machine-readable format. Note that this right only applies to automated information which you initially provided consent for us to use or where we used the information to perform a

contract with you.

- g. **Withdraw consent** at any time where we are relying on consent to process your personal data. However, this will not affect the lawfulness of any processing carried out before you withdraw your consent. If you withdraw your consent, we may not be able to provide certain products or services to you. We will advise you if this is the case at the time you withdraw your consent.

3. If you wish to exercise any of the rights set out above, please [contact us](#).

4. **No fee usually required**

5. You will not have to pay a fee to access your personal data (or to exercise any of the other rights). However, we may charge a reasonable fee if your request is clearly unfounded, repetitive or excessive. Alternatively, we may refuse to comply with your request in these circumstances.

6. **What we may need from you**

7. We may need to request specific information from you to help us confirm your identity and ensure your right to access your personal data (or to exercise any of your other rights). This is a security measure to ensure that personal data is not disclosed to any person who has no right to receive it. We may also contact you to ask you for further information in relation to your request to speed up our response.

8. **Time limit to respond**

9. We try to respond to all legitimate requests within one month. Occasionally it may take us longer than a month if your request is particularly complex or you have made a number of requests. In this case, we will notify you and keep you updated.