



# Data Protection Act 2018

## 2018 CHAPTER 12

### PART 4

#### INTELLIGENCE SERVICES PROCESSING

### CHAPTER 2

#### PRINCIPLES

##### *Overview*

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- (1) This Chapter sets out the six data protection principles as follows—
  - (a) section 86 sets out the first data protection principle (requirement that processing be lawful, fair and transparent);
  - (b) section 87 sets out the second data protection principle (requirement that the purposes of processing be specified, explicit and legitimate);
  - (c) section 88 sets out the third data protection principle (requirement that personal data be adequate, relevant and not excessive);
  - (d) section 89 sets out the fourth data protection principle (requirement that personal data be accurate and kept up to date);
  - (e) section 90 sets out the fifth data protection principle (requirement that personal data be kept for no longer than is necessary);
  - (f) section 91 sets out the sixth data protection principle (requirement that personal data be processed in a secure manner).
- (2) Each of sections 86, 87 and 91 makes provision to supplement the principle to which it relates.

**Changes to legislation:**

Data Protection Act 2018, Cross Heading: Overview is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 17 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 204(1)(l) inserted by [S.I. 2024/374 Sch. 5 para. 7](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 8(1)(y) added by [2022 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 78\(3\)](#)