



# Data Protection Act 2018

## 2018 CHAPTER 12

### PART 4

#### INTELLIGENCE SERVICES PROCESSING

### CHAPTER 2

#### PRINCIPLES

##### *The data protection principles*

#### **87 The second data protection principle**

- (1) The second data protection principle is that—
  - (a) the purpose for which personal data is collected on any occasion must be specified, explicit and legitimate, and
  - (b) personal data so collected must not be processed in a manner that is incompatible with the purpose for which it is collected.
- (2) Paragraph (b) of the second data protection principle is subject to subsections (3) and (4).
- (3) Personal data collected by a controller for one purpose may be processed for any other purpose of the controller that collected the data or any purpose of another controller provided that—
  - (a) the controller is authorised by law to process the data for that purpose, and
  - (b) the processing is necessary and proportionate to that other purpose.
- (4) Processing of personal data is to be regarded as compatible with the purpose for which it is collected if the processing—
  - (a) consists of—
    - (i) processing for archiving purposes in the public interest,

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- (ii) processing for the purposes of scientific or historical research, or
  - (iii) processing for statistical purposes, and
- (b) is subject to appropriate safeguards for the rights and freedoms of the data subject.

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

- Sch. 3 para. 8(1)(y) added by [2022 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 78\(3\)](#)