

International Protection Office
General Data Protection Regulation
Privacy Statement

1. The data you are providing is being collected by the International Protection Office (IPO), Immigration Service Delivery, and Department of Justice. The data controller's contact details are:

info@ipo.gov.ie

or

International Protection Office
Immigration Service Delivery
79-83 Lower Mount Street
Dublin 2
D02 ND99

The International Protection Office (IPO) of Immigration Service Delivery is part of the Department of Justice. The IPO will treat all information and personal information that you provide as confidential. The International Protection Act 2015 obliges us to take all practicable steps to make sure we keep the identity of applicants confidential. We also follow the EU General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Act, 2018.

We will share information provided to the Department of Justice only with other approved organisations and via approved channels in line with the appropriate law.

2. We may use the personal data you provide to the International Protection Office for the purpose of assessing your eligibility for international protection and, if appropriate, permission to remain at first instance in line with the relevant statutory framework. This includes the data you provide in the *Application for International Protection Questionnaire* (IPO 2) and any other personal data you may provide to the IPO by any other form or means. If required, the IPO and Immigration Service Delivery, Department of Justice may also use the personal data you provide in the IPO 2 and in associated correspondence as part of any future consideration regarding your immigration or citizenship status.
3. Our legal basis for collecting and processing this personal data is as follows:

- i. International Protection Act 2015 and Regulations made thereunder
 - ii. International Protection Act 2015 (Safe Third Country) Order 2020
 - iii. European Union (Dublin System) Regulations 2018
 - iv. European Communities (Eligibility for Protection) Regulations 2006
 - v. European Union (Subsidiary Protection) Regulations 2013 as amended
 - vi. European Union Dublin Regulation
 - vii. European Union Eurodac Regulation

4. Data may also be shared with other States operating the EU Dublin Regulation, the EU Eurodac Regulation and the Safe Third Country concept; should your application for international protection fall within the scope of those Regulations.

5. The personal data provided will be stored securely on Department of Justice IT servers. In addition to domestic data sharing with Immigration Service Delivery/Department of Justice, data may be shared, where appropriate, with other Government offices/agencies including:
 - i. An Garda Síochána
 - ii. Legal Aid Board
 - iii. Local Authorities
 - iv. Department of Social Protection
 - v. Tusla – the Child and Family Agency
 - vi. Health Service Executive
 - vii. International Protection Accommodation Service – Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth.

Information may also be shared with our translation and interpretation service provider(s).

6. The personal data provided may also be shared with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in connection with their mandate to support the international protection process.

7. The contact for any queries in relation to this Statement is:

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8. This data will be stored in accordance with specified Department of Justice retention schedules and the requirements of the National Archives Act 1986.
9. You can request a copy of the personal data that we hold. You can do this by completing a Subject Access Request form, available at [http://www.justice.ie/en/JELR/Pages/Data Protection](http://www.justice.ie/en/JELR/Pages/Data%20Protection) or from any Department of Justice public office and forwarding it to subjectaccessrequests@justice.ie or by post to the Data Protection Officer, Department of Justice at the address in paragraph 11 below. You will be required to verify your identity before any data can be forwarded to you.
10. You have the right to rectify any inaccuracies in your data. To do this you should write to the International Protection Office at the address provided in paragraph 1 above documenting the inaccuracies which need to be rectified.
11. You have the right, where appropriate, to obtain erasure of your data and/or a restriction on processing your data as well as the right to object to the processing of your data. In addition, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Data Protection Commission at the address below:

**Data Protection Commission
21 Fitzwilliam Square South
Dublin 2
D02 RD28**

Further details in relation to your data protection rights can be found in the Department of Justice Data Protection Policy available at [http://www.justice.ie/en/JELR/Pages/Data Protection](http://www.justice.ie/en/JELR/Pages/Data%20Protection).

You can contact the Data Protection Officer for the Department of Justice by post:

**The Data Protection Officer
Department of Justice
51 St. Stephen's Green
Dublin 2
D02 HK52**

or

by email: dataprotectioncompliance@justice.ie

12. This Privacy Statement supersedes the information on data protection contained in the *Information Booklet for Applicants for International Protection* (IPO 1).

International Protection Office
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