



# DPA and GDPR compliance

Both the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA 2018) came into force on 25 May 2018. Alongside this new legislation, the older Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulation (PECR) of 2013 is still in force though it is expected to be replaced by new European ePrivacy legislation in early 2019.

Much of the new regulation matches the good practice and legal requirements already established in the Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA 1998); however, there are some changes, for example:

<b>Faster reporting of data breaches</b>	<b>FASTER SUBJECT ACCESS</b>	Right to be informed
<i>Active consent</i>	<b>Data protection impact assessments</b>	
RIGHT TO RECTIFICATION	<b>Right to erasure</b>	
Portability	<b>Demonstrate consent</b>	<b>€20 million fines</b>
<i>Recent consent</i>	Accountability & governance	<b>Data protection by design</b>

Not all of the requirements of GDPR will apply to every organisation – and, doubtless, not every breach will be penalised – however, the DPA 2018 exists and every likelihood is that there will be increased scrutiny of organisations in the not for profit sector.

Getting (and staying) compliant involves more than making sure your information systems can cope. You need to think about business processes, policies and procedures, roles, responsibilities and training. Putting the necessary systems and structures in place takes time and expertise.

**Adapta can help you build a solid foundation to your data protection compliance**

Our consultants are specialists in the field of data protection and information security and can guide you through an assessment of your current policies, systems and processes through to the implementation of sustainable improvements that are appropriate and achievable as compliant.

We can adapt our approach to suit your circumstances and culture. Typically, our approach comprises:

### Stage one

We interview a selection of staff, and trustees and volunteers if appropriate, to assess the extent to which policies are understood and being adhered to, and the effectiveness of other controls. In this stage, we also carry out testing of the IT-specific controls.

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### Stage three

We document our findings and recommendations in a report which:

- Summarises our assessment of your current arrangements for data protection
- Identifies any areas of non-conformance with current legislation
- Sets out our recommended actions to improve conformance, and resilience of the systems and processes involved.

Our approach ensures that you benefit from our knowledge and experience of data protection and are confident that the key risk areas are considered. We work exclusively with charities and not-for-profits and understand the business environment in which you operate and best practice across the sector.

We have helped many organisations with their DPA and GDPR needs, including:



## About Adapta Consulting

At Adapta Consulting, we help you meet the challenges of change: processes, people and technology. We work exclusively with not-for-profit organisations, where our consultants bring a combination of deep systems and process knowledge and wide experience, gained over many years working at senior levels in the sector. We are completely independent and, in all our work, we set the highest professional standards to ensure we provide an objective service, adapted to your needs.

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