

GDPR Compliance Checklist for SMEs



Have you done a GDPR audit to identify:

- The type of personal data you've collected or stored.
- Whether you've collected this data fairly.
- Whether you got the necessary consent from data subjects.
- Whether you clearly told data subjects why you're collecting data.
- Whether you told data subjects that they can withdraw consent at any time.
- Whether you've made sure you're not holding info for longer than necessary.
- Whether all the data you hold is up-to-date and accurate.
- Whether you hold data in a safe and secure environment.
- Whether you are using the data for its intended purpose only.
- Whether you've collected or processed any special categories of personal data and if you are meeting the standards to collect, process and store it.
- Whether you know or have documented the source of any personal data.
- Whether you are sharing any personal data.

Have you put a GDPR Project Plan in place to make sure you're compliant by 25 May 2018? Your plan should identify:

- If you need a Data Privacy Impact Assessment.
- If you need to hire a Data Privacy Officer.
- If you need to implement a policy of 'Data Protection by Design and Default'.

Do you have GDPR compliant procedures to handle requests from data subjects to amend, delete or access their personal data?

Do your GDPR compliant procedures make sure that you handle data requests in a timely manner?

Do you have a process in place to spot, investigate and report personal data breaches?

Do you have a security notification procedure in place on how to deal with a data breach quickly?

Are you planning to hold ongoing and regular reviews and audits of the data you hold?

Have you updated your privacy policy to cover the new rights of individuals?

Do you have a system in place to show how you comply with the data protection principles?

Do you document all internal procedures?

Have you informed external parties when you've received inaccurate personal data?

Have you updated all third party contracts to be GDPR compliant?

To make sure you get consent in a free, specific, informed and clear way, have you reviewed how you:

- Seek consent from a data subject?
- Get consent from a data subject?
- Record consent from a data subject?

Do you record data consent and can you demonstrate that you've received it?

Do you have a process in place to verify someone's age and get parental or guardian consent when processing children's data?

If you operate internationally, have you decided which data protection supervisory authority will be the lead for the business?

Have you given GDPR training to your staff? If so, do they understand:

- The difference between Data Protection Act (DPA) and GDPR?
- Their responsibilities under GDPR and what day-to-day processes need to change?

If you have any questions about GDPR compliance for your business, call our brilliant BrightAdvice team today on **0844 892 3928**.



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