

DogWatch UK Privacy Policy

How we respect privacy when we deal with personal information collected by our organisation

This Privacy Policy applies to information we DogWatch UK collect about individuals who interact with our organisation. It explains what personal information we collect and how we use it. If you have any comments or questions about this notice, feel free to contact us at dogwatchuk@hotmail.co.uk.

1. Personal data that we process

The following table explains the types of data we collect and the legal basis, under current data protection legislation, on which this data is processed.

Purpose	Data (key elements)	Basis
Enquiring about adopting or fostering a dog	Name, email, address, message	Legitimate interests - it is necessary for us to read and store your message so that we can respond in the way that you would expect.
Subscribing to email updates about our work	Name, email	Consent - you have given your active consent. Our newsletter is managed via mailchimp.com
Making a donation, paying for an adoption	Name, email, address, payment information	Legitimate interests - this information is necessary for us to fulfill your intention of donating money and your expectation of receiving a confirmation message.
Website functionality	Website activity collected through cookies	Legitimate interests - it is necessary for us to store a small amount of information, usually through cookies, to deliver functionality that you would expect, such as remembering the contents of your order before you have fully completed the process.

2. How we use your data

We will only use your data in a manner that is appropriate considering the basis on which that data was collected, as set out in the table at the top of this policy.

For example, we may use your personal information to:

- reply to enquiries you send to us;
- handle donations or other transactions that you initiate;
- where you have specifically agreed to this, send you marketing communications by email relating to our work which we think may be of interest to you.

3. When we share your data

We will only pass your data to third parties in the following circumstances:

- you have applied to adopt a dog;
- Your application form may be shared with an overseas rescue if they are providing the dog for adoption or a volunteer fosterer who has custody of the dog. Your contact details may also be given to a volunteer foster carer so they can discuss the dog in detail with you and a volunteer home checker who will contact you and arrange to visit you at home.
- Photographs of your garden taken as part of a home check may be shared with overseas rescues or volunteer fosterers
- we are required by law to share your data.

4. How long we keep your data

We take the principles of data minimisation and removal seriously and have internal policies in place to ensure that we only ever ask for the minimum amount of data for the associated purpose and delete that data promptly once it is no longer required.

5. Rights you have over your data

You have a range of rights over your data, which include the following:

- Where data processing is based on consent, you may revoke this consent at any time and we will make it as easy as possible for you to do this (for example by putting 'unsubscribe' links at the bottom of all our marketing emails).
- You have the right to ask for rectification and/or deletion of your information.
- You have the right of access to your information.
- You have the right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner if you feel your rights have been infringed.

A full summary of your legal rights over your data can be found on the Information Commissioner's website here: <https://ico.org.uk/>

If you would like to access the rights listed above, or any other legal rights you have over your data under current legislation, please get in touch with us.

6. Cookies & usage tracking

A cookie is a small file of letters and numbers that is downloaded on to your computer when you visit a website. Cookies are used by many websites and can do a number of things, eg remembering your preferences, recording what you have put in your shopping basket, and counting the number of people looking at a website.

Where cookies are used to collect personal data, we list these purposes in section 1 above, along with other personal data that we collect. However, we also use some cookies that do not collect personal information but that do help us collect anonymous information about how people use our website. We use Google Analytics for this purpose. Google Analytics generates statistical and other information about website usage by means of cookies, which are stored on users' computers. The information collected by Google Analytics about usage of our website is not personally identifiable. The data is collected anonymously, stored by Google and used by us to create reports about website usage. Google's privacy policy is available at <http://www.google.com/privacypolicy.html>.

7. Modifications

We may modify this Privacy Policy from time to time and will publish the most current version on our website. If a modification meaningfully reduces your rights, we'll notify people whose personal data we hold and is affected.

For examples of privacy policy notices see: <https://whitefuse.com/blog/privacy-policy-notice-template>