

1. INTRODUCTION

Welcome to The Green Party's Privacy Statement. The Green Party has been advocating for improved data protection rights for many years and the Green Group in the European Parliament played a significant role in negotiating the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). This statement describes how we handle and use your personal information and your rights in relation to that information. Under the GDPR, the Green Party is the controller of that information.

The Green Party ("The Party", "we", "our" or "us") is committed to protecting and respecting your privacy.

This Privacy Statement explains why and how we will use the personal information that we have obtained from you or others, with whom we share it and the rights you have in connection with the information we use. Please read the following carefully.

This statement describes the way we handle and use the personal information that we obtain from all the different interactions you may have with us as a political party, including when you engage with our constituency groups, social media pages or website currently located at www.greenparty.ie or when you contact us.

This Privacy Statement has been created to demonstrate the Party's commitment to the protection of your data and to be transparent in how we deal with it. The Party will process your data in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) the Data Protection Act 2018 and related legislation.

DATA CONTROLLER

The Party is the controller in relation to the processing activities described below. This means the Party decides why and how your personal information is processed. Please see the section at the end of this statement for our contact and legal information.

2. PERSONAL INFORMATION WE COLLECT ABOUT YOU

We receive personal information about you that you give to us, which we collect from your visits to our website, and social media pages and that we obtain from other sources. We only collect personal information which we need and that is relevant for the purposes for which we intend to use it.

We process data with the intention of using it primarily for the broad purpose of our political campaigning.

2.1 MEMBERSHIP AND DONATIONS

Purpose	Categories of Data Subjects	Typical Data Categories	Legal Basis	Special Category Legal basis
Processing your application for membership and administration of your membership	Members	Name, Address, Telephone Number, Year of Birth, Payment Information	Performance of a Contract Compliance with a legal obligation	N/A
Communicating with you via electronic message about your membership, campaigns, fundraising, events, appeals and opportunities to get involved with the party	Members	Name, Address, email Address, Telephone Number	Performance of a contract	N/A
Sharing your membership details with your constituency group	Members	Name, Address, Telephone Number, Year of Birth	Performance of a contract	N/A
Administering Membership suspension and expulsions	Members/complainants/Witnesses/Former Members	Name, Address, Details of Suspension/Expulsion/Details of complaint,	Performance of a contract	Substantial Public Interest

		Complaint Resolution, Political Opinion		
Process appeals against suspension and expulsion by Party Members	Members/Complainants/Witnesses/Former Members	Name, Address, Details of Suspension/Expulsion/ Details of complaint, Complaint Resolution, Political Opinion	Performance of a Contract	Substantial Public Interest
Maintaining and administering a member and fundraising database	Members/Volunteers/Donors	Name, Address, Telephone Number, Email Address, Year of Birth, Donation History	Public Interest Legitimate Interests	N/A
Parental Consent Forms	Members (16 and 17 years of age)	Name, Address, Date of Birth, Parent/Guardian details, Emergency Medical Information where required	Consent	Explicit Consent

2.2 CAMPAIGNING AND COMMUNICATION

Purpose	Categories of Data Subjects	Typical Data Categories	Legal Basis	Special Category Legal basis
Communicating with you via post about our policies, events, fundraising appeals, campaigns and opportunities to get involved with the party	Members of the public, Members/Former Members Volunteers, Donors	Name, Address	Consent	N/A

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Canvassing Political Opinions	Members of the public	Name, Address, Telephone number, email address	Public Interest	N/A
Surveys and processing responses	Members of the public	Name, Address, Telephone number, Email Address, Incidental Special Category Data, Given Constituency Group	Public Interest	Substantial Public Interest
Communicating with you via email/phone number about our policies, events, fundraising appeals, campaigns and opportunities to get involved with the party	Members	Name, Address, Email Address, Telephone Number	Consent	N/A
Volunteers sign up for the Party and us sharing your details with the wider party	Volunteers	Name, Address, Telephone Number, Email Address, Volunteering preferences, Political Opinion	Consent	Substantial Public Interest
Marked Register	Member of the Public Registered to Vote	Name, Address, Confirmation if the person has voted in a given election	Public Interest	Substantial Public Interest

2.3 EVENTS

Purpose	Categories of Data Subjects	Typical Data Categories	Legal Basis	Special Category Legal basis
Hosting Video Conferencing and Virtual Events	Members of the public, Elected Representatives, Volunteers, Donors	Name, Address, Telephone Number, Images and Video Recording Images	Legitimate Interests	Substantial Public Interest
Providing you with information about the event(s) for which you have registered	Attendees	Name, Address, Email Address, Telephone Number	Legitimate Interests	N/A

2.4 VISITING ONE OF OUR OFFICES OR CONTACTING US

Purpose	Categories of Data Subjects	Typical Data Categories	Legal Basis	Special Category Legal basis
Managing security and your safety when you	Visitors	Name, Time and Date of Visit, Details of Accident and/or Security Incidents, CCTV Images	Compliance with a Legal Obligation	Substantial Public Interest

visit one of our offices			Health and Safety Acts	
Reporting accidents and/or security incidents to relevant law enforcement authority	Visitors	Name, Details of security incidents	Compliance with a legal obligation	Substantial Public Interest
Contacting us by post, phone or via our website and keeping a record of your correspondence	Members of the Public	Name, Contact Details, Correspondence, Political Opinion, Incidental Special Category Data	Legitimate Interest	Substantial Public Interest

2.5 CODE OF CONDUCT

Purpose	Categories of Data Subjects	Typical Data Categories	Legal Basis	Special Category Legal basis
Investigating, processing and administering breaches of our Code of Conduct in accordance with the procedures set in our Code of Conduct	Witnesses Complainants, Members, Members of the Oireachtas, Members of the European Parliament, Councillors, Regional, and National Party Officers	Name, Contact Details, Health Data, Criminal Offence Data, Political Opinion, Details of Complaint, Witness Evidence, Complaint Resolution	Performance of a contract	Substantial Public Interest

2.6 PARTY MANAGEMENT AND ENGAGEMENT

Purpose	Categories of Data Subjects	Typical Data Categories	Legal Basis	Special Category Legal basis
Communication with Party Officers at Board, Regional and Constituency Group level and Party Members	Members, Party Officers	Name, Contact Details, Political Opinion, Incidental Special Category Data, Event Interests, Volunteering Interests	Legitimate Interests	Substantial Public Interest
Providing advice and support on the selection of Party candidates	Party Officers, Party Staff, Candidates	Name, Position, Contact Details, Candidates, Political Opinion	Legitimate Interests	Substantial Public Interest
Providing advice, training and support on matters relating to the Constitution and the Party	Party Officers, Party Staff, Members, Volunteers	Name, Contact Details, Correspondences	Legitimate Interests	Substantial Public Interest
Providing advice and support on local disciplinary issues	Party Officers, Party Staff, Members	Name, Details of Disciplinary Case, Correspondence	Legitimate Interests	N/A
Managing Affiliated Groups	Members	Name, Contact Details, Occupation, Region of	Public Interest	Substantial Public Interest

		Residence, Political Opinion, Correspondence		
Managing Young Greens Groups	Members, Students	Name, Contact Details, Occupation, Political Opinion, Region of Residence, Correspondence	Public Interest	Substantial Public Interest
Managing External Relationships	Members, Candidates, Party, Elected Representative	Name, Contact Details, Political Opinion, Region of Residence, Correspondence	Public Interest	Substantial Public Interest

2.7 FINANCE

Purpose	Categories of Data Subjects	Typical Data Categories	Legal Basis	Special Category Legal basis
Processing Payments from members, donors, and supporters and keeping a record for accounting purposes	Donors, Supporters, Members	Name, Address, Email Address, Year of Birth, Payment Information	Performance of a Contract Compliance with a Legal Obligation	N/A
Processing payments to suppliers	Supplier Employee	Name, Contact Details, Job Title	Performance of a Contract Compliance with a Legal Obligation	N/A

2.8 STATISTICS

Purpose	Categories of Data Subjects	Typical Data Categories	Legal Basis	Special Category Legal basis
Conducting statistical analysis on Gender makeup of the Party	Members	Gender	Legitimate Interests	Statistical Purposes

3. WHO WE SHARE YOUR PERSONAL DATA WITH

We only disclose your personal information outside the Party in limited circumstances. If we do, and where relevant, we will put in place a contract that requires recipients to protect your personal information, unless we are legally required to share that information. Any contractors or recipients that work for or with us will be obliged to follow our instructions. We do not sell your personal information to third parties.

When we use third-party service providers, we only disclose to them any personal information that is necessary for them to provide their services and only where we have a contract in place that requires them to keep your information secure and not to use it other than in accordance with our specific instructions as a Data Controller.

We will also share your personal data with officers of the Party including Elected Representatives, Candidates for Elections, Returning Officers and Spokespersons. Data is shared with these officers for the sole purpose of executing the work of the Green Party and for no purposes other than the legitimate, political interests of the party.

The Green Party will not share personal data with any other entity or organisation without prior consent from the data subject or another appropriate legal basis. At some

point in time we may request your permission to share personal data with another related organisation, such as the European Green Party.

4. TRANSFERS OF YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION OUTSIDE OF EUROPE

Typically, we do not transfer your personal information outside of Europe. However, we may rely on adequacy decisions by the European Commission for data transfers to countries outside the EEA such as to the UK.

All information you provide to us is stored on our secure servers which are located within the European Economic Area (EEA).

If at any time we transfer your personal information to, or store it in, countries located outside of the EEA (for example, if our hosting services provider changes) that are not subject to an adequacy decision, we will amend this statement and notify you of the changes. We will also ensure that appropriate safeguards are in place for that transfer and storage, as required by applicable law. This is because some countries outside of the EEA do not have adequate data protection laws equivalent to those in the EEA.

5. CHILDRENS DATA

Green Party accepts members of the age of 16 and 17 years. These members are classified as children under the Data Protection Laws. All of the rights and information contained in this statement applies to you in the same way it applies to all our members. We do not collect information on children under the age of 16.

Please ask your guardian if you have any questions about your privacy rights. You can also contact our Data Protection Officer using the contact information in this statement.

6. SECURITY AND LINKS TO OTHER WEBSITES

We take the security of your personal information seriously and use a variety of measures based on good industry practice to keep it secure. Nonetheless, transmissions

over the internet and to our website, and our social media pages may not be completely secure, so please exercise caution. When accessing links to other websites, their privacy policies, not ours, will apply to your personal information.

We employ security measures to protect the personal information you provide to us, to prevent access by unauthorised persons and unlawful processing, accidental loss, destruction and damage.

The transmission of information via the internet is not completely secure. Although we will do everything possible to protect your personal information, we cannot guarantee the security of any personal information during its transmission to us online. You accept the inherent security implications of using the internet and will not hold us responsible for any breach of security unless we are at fault.

Our website and social media pages may contain links to other websites run by other organisations which we do not control. This statement does not apply to those other websites, so we encourage you to read their privacy statements. We specifically disclaim responsibility for their content, privacy practices and terms of use, and we make no endorsements, representations or promises about their accuracy, content or thoroughness. Your disclosure of personal information to third party websites is at your own risk.

7. THE PERIODS FOR WHICH WE RETAIN YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

We are obliged to retain certain information to ensure accuracy, to help maintain quality of service and for legal, regulatory, fraud prevention purposes.

Other information will be retained for no longer than is necessary for the purpose for which it was obtained by us or as required or permitted for legal, regulatory, fraud prevention and legitimate purposes.

We will not hold your personal information in an identifiable format for any longer than is necessary for the purposes for which we collected it. For certain purposes we retain your personal information indefinitely (e.g., to suppress marketing messages).

Member Data

In the case of members, the party will retain personal data for one year following the end of the membership period where the data subject has not engaged with the party in a specified way. After an ordinary Green Party membership lapses there is a period of one year in which a member can renew their membership without losing their voting rights, known as the grace period. After this period lapses former members may become party supporters and continue to receive communications from the Party in line with their communications preferences, which they can change at any time. They can also choose to independently end their support of the Party by unsubscribing. You can unsubscribe by following the details in section 11 of this statement.

Supporter Data

While supporters continue to engage with the party through specified activities, we will maintain their personal data on file so that we can contact them about our work. If after 1.5 years a supporter has not undertaken any specified activities, we shall seek consent to continue contacting the data subject as a party supporter. If there is no response, or the data subject replies negatively their personal data will be anonymised. If the data subject replies positively their records will be kept on file.

Financial Record Retention

The financial records of all data subjects must be kept on file for the purposes of audit; however, it will not be possible to identify the benefactor from this data. In some cases, the Party will be prohibited from anonymising a data subject's identifiable records. Personal data, including names and addresses must be kept on record where specified by the SIPO guidelines, such as where larger donations are concerned. Similarly, personal data must be retained by the party where there are active or potential legal proceedings.

Where donors are not party members, and there is no legal requirement to keep their personal data on file, non-financial data will be anonymised after a period of five and a half years.

8. DATA PROCESSING WITH YOUR CONSENT

Where we use consent as our legal basis for processing your data, or process special categories of your data on the basis of your explicit consent, you have the right to

withdraw your consent at any time. For further information on when we rely upon consent please see Section 2 “Personal Information We Collect About You”.

There are two ways that you can easily withdraw your consent, you can:

- Press the ‘Unsubscribe’ option contained within our email communications to you,
- Contact our Data Protection Officer directly by post, email and telephone and using the contact details on section 11 of this statement.

We will maintain a record of your withdrawal of consent.

9. COOKIES

We use cookies to provide you with a tailored experience on our website and to gather statistics on how our online services are used so that we can improve our services. Some of our cookies may also collect personal data.

Please visit our cookie page for more information about how we use cookies on our websites and services. We always seek your consent to use cookies.

10.YOUR RIGHTS IN RELATION TO YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

This section explains the rights you have in respect of your personal data and we have processes to enable you to exercise these rights.

Your Data Rights	Explanation
Right of Access	If you want to know if we are processing personal data relating to you and to have access to any such personal data, you can contact us using the details below. In order to furnish you with a copy of your personal data that we hold we will need to verify your identify. This is known as a Data Subject Access Request.
Right to be Informed	You have the right to be informed about the collection and use of your personal data. The Party provides this in a form of privacy information and/or privacy notices at the point of collection.
Right To Rectification	If you believe that we hold any incomplete or inaccurate data about you, you have the right to ask us to correct and/or complete the data and we will strive to do so as quickly as possible; unless there is a valid reason for not doing so, at which point you will be notified. If you believe that we hold inaccurate personal data about you, please contact us using the details below. Depending on the type of personal data you believe is inaccurate, we may ask you for further proof to ensure that the personal data is being corrected properly. If we are satisfied that the personal data is inaccurate, we will make the necessary changes.

Right To Erasure	<p>You also have the right to request erasure of your personal data or to restrict processing (where applicable).</p> <p>However, this right does not apply where we have to comply with a legal obligation or where we need personal data for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims. In addition, if you opt out of marketing communications or have previously opted out of marketing communications, we have to keep a record of such opt out to ensure that we don't contact you again in the future.</p>
Right To Restriction	<p>You have a right to request that processing of personal data is restricted in certain circumstances. However, we shall still continue to process the personal data for storage purposes, for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims.</p>
Right To Object	<p>Where we are relying on legitimate interests as a legal basis to process your data, you have a right to object to such processing on grounds relating to your particular situation.</p>
Right To Portability	<p>You have the right to have the data we hold about you transferred to a third-party organisation, and you can ask that we provide it in a machine-readable format.</p>
Right To Complain to The Supervisory Authority	<p>You have the right to lodge a complaint with the Data Protection Commission and more details can be found on their website – www.dataprotection.ie</p>

11. CONTACT DETAILS

For Data Subject Rights

To exercise your data subject rights, contact us at dataprotection@greenparty.ie or by [clicking here](#) to fill out a Data Subject Rights Form. If we receive a request from you to exercise any of the above rights, we may ask you to verify your identity before acting on the request; this is to ensure that your data is protected and kept secure.

For Further Information

Should you require additional information then you can contact our Data Protection Officer at the following email address: dpo@greenparty.ie

You may also contact our Data Protection Officer by writing in to:

Data Protection Officer
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16/17 Suffolk Street,
Dublin 2,
Ireland