

Privacy Notice for Football Club and College

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This data protection notice applies to current and former football club staff and club community organisation, college/training provider staff and delivery partners (“**you**” or “**your**”) whose details LFE holds as part of our programmes and educational services.

1. What is the purpose of this document?

League Football Education (company number 05143284 and registered charity 1104917) (“**LFE**”, “**we**”, “**our**”, “**us**”), are committed to protecting the privacy and security of your personal information. This data protection notice describes how we collect and use personal information about you in accordance with the UK GDPR, the Data Protection Act 2018, the Data (Use and Access) Act 2025, and the Privacy and Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003 (as amended) together with all other UK data protection laws (together the “**Data Protection Legislation**”). You can contact us in writing at EFL House, 10-12 West Cliff, Preston PR1 8HU, via telephone on 01772 326870 or via email to info@lfe.org.uk if you have any questions regarding this document.

For the purposes of this document, we are a "data controller". This means that we are responsible for deciding how we hold and use any personal information about you. We are required under data protection legislation to notify you of the information contained in this document. This notice explains what personal data LFE holds about you, how we share it, how long we keep it and what your legal rights are in relation to it. Please note that we provide a separate privacy notice to explain how personal data is held, shared and kept in relation to the Erasmus+ programmes.

2. Data protection principles

We will comply with the Data Protection Legislation. This says that the personal information we hold about you must be:

1. Used lawfully, fairly and in a transparent way.
2. Collected only for valid purposes that we have clearly explained to you and not used in any way that is incompatible with those purposes.
3. Relevant to the purposes we have told you about and limited only to those purposes.
4. Accurate and kept up to date.
5. Kept only as long as necessary for the purposes we have told you about.
6. Kept securely.

3. The kind of information we hold about you

Personal data, or personal information, means any information about an individual from which that person can be identified. It does not include data where the identity has been removed (anonymous data).

The categories of personal information that we may collect, store, and use about you include (but are not limited to):

- Personal contact details such as name, title, addresses, telephone numbers, and personal email addresses.
- Date of birth.
- Employment details including name of employer and job title.
- DBS information.

There are "special categories" of more sensitive personal data which require a higher level of protection. If you are college/training provider staff, we may also collect, store and use information about criminal convictions and offences through checks we make via the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) if the law requires this.

4. How is your personal information collected?

We typically collect personal information about football club staff through the information provided to us from football clubs. We collect information about college/training provider staff from your employer. We collect information about delivery partner staff from the relevant delivery partner.

We may collect other additional personal information in the course of our relationship with you.

5. How will we use information about you

We will use your personal information as follows:

- to facilitate the delivery of our programmes;
Our lawful basis for these activities is the pursuit of our legitimate interests of providing learners with educational services.
- payments to clubs, college/training providers and delivery partners;
Our lawful basis for these activities is necessity for us to comply with any contract we may have and the pursuit of our legitimate interests of providing learners with educational services.
- to assess your suitability for working with us and participants on our programmes.
Our lawful basis for this is necessity for us to comply with our legal obligations.

Some of the above grounds for processing will overlap and there may be several grounds which justify our use of your personal information.

In limited circumstances, we may rely on "recognised legitimate interests" under the UK GDPR to process your personal data (for example, in connection with regulatory compliance, to respond to an emergency, or for the prevention of unlawful activities). Where we do so, we will ensure the processing is necessary and proportionate.

We may also use your personal information, particularly if emergency medical care is required, where this is necessary to protect your vital interests, or someone else's vital interests. In a small

number of cases where other lawful bases do not apply, we will seek your consent to other uses of your personal data.

6. If you fail to provide personal information

If you fail to provide certain information when requested, we may not be able to pursue our legitimate interests (such as providing access to our programmes), or we may be prevented from complying with our contractual obligations (such as payment for services provided).

7. Change of purpose

We will only use your personal information for the purposes for which we collected it, unless we reasonably consider that we need to use it for another reason and that reason is compatible with the original purpose. If we need to use your personal information for an unrelated purpose, we will notify you and we will explain the legal basis which allows us to do so.

Please note that we may process your personal information without your knowledge or consent, in compliance with the above rules, where this is required or permitted by law.

8. Information about criminal convictions

We may only use information relating to criminal convictions where the law allows us to do so. This will usually be where such processing is necessary to carry out our obligations and provided we do so in line with our data protection policy.

Where appropriate, we will collect information about criminal convictions via the DBS prior to you working on a programme with us or we may be notified of such information directly by you in the course of you working with us.

We will use information about criminal convictions and offences to determine whether you are able to work with participants on our programmes.

We have in place an appropriate policy and safeguards which we are required by law to maintain when processing such data.

9. Automated decision-making

Automated decision-making is a decision made by automated means using personal information without any human involvement.

You have the right to be protected by safeguards and challenge the use of your data for solely automated decision-making.

If we make a significant decision based solely on automated processing of personal data, we must ensure safeguards are in place enabling you to:

1. Receive information about the decision;
2. Make representations and contest the decision; and

3. Obtain human intervention.

If we make a significant decision based entirely or partly on processing of special category data (such as information revealing your health or religious beliefs), such decision may not be taken based solely on automated processing, unless:

1. You have given explicit consent; or
2. The decision is necessary for entering into or performing a contract between you and us, or the decision is required or authorised by law, and the processing necessary for reasons of substantial public interest.

You will not be subject to decisions that will have a significant impact on you based solely on automated decision-making, unless we have a lawful basis for doing so and we have notified you.

We do not envisage that any decisions will be taken about you using automated means, however we will notify you in writing if this position changes.

10. Data Sharing

We may pass your personal information on to third party technology providers including Competence Development Ltd (Education Management System hosts) and Enable Limited (for remote CRM server management).

All our third-party partners/service providers are required to take appropriate security measures to protect your personal information in line with our policies. We do not allow our third-party partners/ service providers to use your personal data for their own purposes. We only permit them to process your personal data for specified purposes and in accordance with our instructions.

We may sometimes be obliged to disclose your personal information by law such as by a regulator with appropriate power, or court order. In addition, information held by or for public bodies can be subject to freedom of information requests.

We may transfer your data outside the United Kingdom to countries in the European. There are adequacy regulations in respect of those countries. This means that the countries to which we transfer your data are deemed to provide an adequate level of protection for your personal information.

11. Data security

We have put in place measures to protect the security of your information and in particular:

- We have put in place appropriate security measures to prevent your personal information from being accidentally lost, used or accessed in an unauthorised way, altered or disclosed. In addition, we limit access to your personal information to those employees, agents, contractors and other third parties who have a legitimate need to know. They will only process your personal information on our instructions, and they are subject to a duty of confidentiality.

- We have put in place procedures to deal with any suspected data security breach and will notify you and any applicable regulator of a suspected breach where we are legally required to do so.

Details of these measures may be obtained from us on request.

12. Data retention

How long will you use my information for?

We will only retain your personal information for as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes we collected it for. Details of retention periods for different aspects of your personal information are available in our retention policy which is available on request.

To determine the appropriate retention period for personal data, we consider the amount, nature, and sensitivity of the personal data, the potential risk of harm from unauthorised use or disclosure of your personal data, the purposes for which we process your personal data and whether we can achieve those purposes through other means, and the applicable legal requirements.

In some circumstances we may anonymise your personal information so that it can no longer be associated with you, in which case we may use such information without further notice to you.

Once we no longer require access to your personal information we will retain and securely destroy it in accordance with our data retention policy and applicable laws and regulations.

13. Rights of access, correction, erasure, and restriction

Your duty to inform us of changes

It is important that the personal information we hold about you is accurate and current. Please keep us informed if your personal information changes.

Your rights in connection with personal information

Under certain circumstances, by law you have the right to:

- **Request access** to your personal information (commonly known as a "data subject access request"). This enables you to receive a copy of the personal information we hold about you and to check that we are lawfully processing it.
- **Request correction** of the personal information that we hold about you. This enables you to have any incomplete or inaccurate information we hold about you corrected.
- **Request erasure** of your personal information. This enables you to ask us to delete or remove personal information where there is no good reason for us continuing to process it. You also have the right to ask us to delete or remove your personal information where you have exercised your right to object to processing (see below).

- **Object to processing** of your personal information where we are relying on a legitimate interest (or those of a third party) and there is something about your particular situation which makes you want to object to processing on this ground.
- **Request the restriction of processing** of your personal information. This enables you to ask us to suspend the processing of personal information about you, for example if you want us to establish its accuracy or the reason for processing it.
- **Request the transfer** of your personal information to another party.
- **Suspend processing of your personal information**, for example if you want us to establish the accuracy of the data we are processing.

Please be aware that these rights are subject to certain conditions and exceptions as set out in the Data Protection Legislation. If you want to review, verify, correct or request erasure of your personal information, object to the processing of your personal information, or request that we transfer a copy of your personal information to another party, please contact Greg Fearon, Data Manager in writing and they will explain any conditions that may apply.

No fee usually required

You will not have to pay a fee to access your personal information (or to exercise any of the other rights). However, we may charge a reasonable fee if your request for access is clearly unfounded or excessive. Alternatively, we may refuse to comply with the request in such circumstances.

What we may need from you

We may need to request specific information from you to help us confirm your identity and ensure your right to access the information (or to exercise any of your other rights). This is another appropriate security measure to ensure that personal information is not disclosed to any person who has no right to receive it.

Further guidance on your rights is available from the Information Commissioner's Office (<https://ico.org.uk/>). You have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> if you believe that your data has been processed unlawfully. However, before doing so, please make sure you have first made your complaint to us or asked us for clarification if there is something you do not understand. The ICO will expect you to have done this before reviewing your complaint. We are required to acknowledge receipt of your complaint within a period of 30 days beginning when the complaint is received.

Please contact LFE at info@lfe.org.uk if you would like to raise a concern or ask us for clarification.

Changes to this document

We reserve the right to update this document at any time, for example if the law or regulatory requirements change, if technology changes or to make LFE's operations and procedures more efficient, and we will provide you with a new privacy notice when we make any substantial updates. We may also notify you in other ways from time to time about the processing of your personal information.