

# Applicant Privacy Notice

As part of any recruitment process, we will need to collect and process personal data relating to job applicants. Encon Insulation Ltd is committed to being transparent about how it collects and uses that data and to meeting its data protection obligations.

## What information will we collect?

We will collect a range of information about you. This includes:

- · your name, address and contact details, including email address and telephone number;
- details of your qualifications, skills, experience and employment history;
- · information about your current level of remuneration, including benefit entitlements;
- whether or not you have a disability for which we need to make reasonable adjustments during the recruitment process;
- · information about your entitlement to work in the UK; and
- equal opportunities monitoring information, including information about your ethnic origin, sexual orientation, health, and religion or belief.

We will collect this information in a variety of ways. For example, data might be contained in application forms, CVs or obtained from your passport or other identity documents, or collected through interviews or other forms of assessment, including online tests.

We will also collect personal data about you from third parties, such as references supplied by former employers, information from employment background check providers and information from criminal records checks.

Data will be stored in a range of different places, including on your application record, in HR management systems and on other IT systems (including email).

#### Why do we need to process personal data?

We need to process data to take steps at your request prior to entering into a contract of employment with you. We also need to process your data to enter into a contract with you.

In some cases, we will need to process data to ensure that it is complying with its legal obligations. For example, it is required to check a successful applicant's eligibility to work in the UK before employment starts.

We have a legitimate interest in processing personal data during the recruitment process and for keeping records of the process. Processing data from job applicants allows us to manage the recruitment process, assess and confirm a candidate's suitability for employment and decide to whom to offer a job. We may also need to process data from job applicants to respond to and defend against legal claims.

Where we rely on legitimate interests as a reason for processing data, we have considered whether or not those interests are overridden by the rights and freedoms of employees or workers and have concluded that they are not.

We will process health information if we need to make reasonable adjustments to the recruitment process for candidates who have a disability. This is to carry out our obligations and exercise specific rights in relation to employment.

Where we process other special categories of data, such as information about ethnic origin, sexual orientation, health, religion or belief, age, gender or marital status, this is done for the purposes of equal opportunities monitoring with the explicit consent of job applicants, which can be withdrawn at any time.

For some roles, we are obliged to seek information about criminal convictions and offences. Where we seek this information, we do so because it is necessary for us to carry out our obligations and exercise specific rights in relation to employment.

If your application is unsuccessful, we will keep your personal data on file in case there are future employment opportunities for which you may be suited for a period of six months. You are free to withdraw your consent at any time.

#### Who has access to data?

Your information will be shared internally for the purposes of the recruitment process. This includes members of the HR team, interviewers involved in the recruitment process, managers in the business area with a vacancy and IT staff if access to the data is necessary for the performance of their roles.

We will not share your data with third parties, unless your application for employment is successful and it makes you an offer of employment. We will then share your data with former employers to obtain references for you, legal background checks to obtain necessary information regarding your ability to conduct your duties, for example that you have the necessary Driving Licence.

We will not transfer your data outside the European Economic Area.

# How do we protect data?

We take the security of your data seriously. We have internal policies and controls in place to ensure that your data is not lost, accidentally destroyed, misused or disclosed, and is not accessed except by our employees in the proper performance of their duties. We operate within the GDPR parameters, which are reinforced by our Data Protection Policy, Privacy Notices, Data Risk Assessments and Departmental Retention Policies. Any data breaches will be logged and reported in accordance with legislative requirements.

# For how long will we keep your keep data?

If your application for employment is unsuccessful, we will hold your data on file for six months after the end of the relevant recruitment process. At the end of that period your data is deleted or destroyed.

If your application for employment is successful, personal data gathered during the recruitment process will be transferred to your personnel file and retained during your employment. The periods for which your data will be held will be provided to you in a new privacy notice.

## **Your rights**

As a data subject, you have a number of rights. You can:

- access and obtain a copy of your data on request;
- request to change incorrect or incomplete data;
- request to delete or stop processing your data, for example where the data is no longer necessary for the purposes of processing;
- object to the processing of your data where we reply on its legitimate interests as the legal ground for processing; and
- ask us to stop processing data for a period if data is inaccurate or there is a dispute about whether or not your interests override the legitimate grounds for processing data.

If you would like to exercise any of these rights, please e-mail datagovernance@encon.co.uk

If you believe that we have not complied with your data protection rights, you can complain to the Information Commissioner.

## What if you do not provide your personal data?

You are under no statutory or contractual obligation to provide data to us during the recruitment process. However, if you do not provide the information, we may not be able to process your application properly or at all.

You are under no obligation to provide information for equal opportunities monitoring purposes and there are no consequences for your application if you choose not to provide such information.

#### **Automated decision-making**

Recruitment processes are not based solely on automated decision-making.

