

# CHARLES WHITE LTD

**GDPR: PRIVACY NOTICE** 

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Charles White Ltd understands that your privacy is important to you and that you care about how your personal data is used. We respect and value the privacy of all of our clients and will only collect and use personal data in ways that are described here, and in a way that is consistent with our obligations and your rights under the law.

#### 1. Information About Us

Charles White Ltd.

CWL is a private limited Company registered in Scotland under company number 212674.

Registered address: Citypoint, 65 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD.

Main trading address: Citypoint, 65 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD.

VAT number: 761 8849 85.

Also at: 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Cathedral Chambers, 143 Royal Avenue, Belfast, BT1 1FH. Charles White (NI) Ltd,

Registered in Scotland, No 385314, VAT Registration No. 109 7399 82

Company Data Protection Officer: David Hutton.

Email address: gdpr@charleswhite.co.uk

Telephone number: 0131 447 8191.

Postal Address: Citypoint, 65 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD.

We are regulated by The Property Factors (S) Act 2011.

We are a member of The Property Managers Association for Scotland.

## 2. What Does This Notice Cover?

This Privacy Information explains how we use your personal data: how it is collected, how it is held, and how it is processed. It also explains your rights under the law relating to your personal data.

### 3. What is Personal Data?

Personal data is defined by the General Data Protection Regulation (EU Regulation 2016/679) (the "GDPR") as 'any information relating to an identifiable person who can be directly or indirectly identified in particular by reference to an identifier'.

Personal data is, in simpler terms, any information about you that enables you to be identified. Personal data covers obvious information such as your name and contact details, but it also covers less obvious information such as identification numbers, electronic location data, and other online identifiers.

The personal data that we use is set out in Part 5, below.

### 4. What Are My Rights?

Under the GDPR, you have the following rights, which we will always work to uphold:

a) The right to be informed about our collection and use of your personal data. This Privacy Notice should tell you everything you need to know, but you can always contact us to find out more or to

ask any questions using the details in Part 11.

- b) The right to access the personal data we hold about you. Part 10 will tell you how to do this.
- c) The right to have your personal data rectified if any of your personal data held by us is inaccurate or incomplete. Please contact us using the details in Part 11 to find out more.
- d) The right to be forgotten, i.e. the right to ask us to delete or otherwise dispose of any of your personal data that we have. Please contact us using the details in Part 11 to find out more.
- e) The right to restrict (i.e. prevent) the processing of your personal data.
- f) The right to object to us using your personal data for a particular purpose or purposes.
- g) The right to data portability. This means that you can ask us for a copy of your personal data held by us to re-use with another service or business in many cases.
- h) Rights relating to automated decision-making. Part 6 explains more about how we use your personal data, including automated decision-making.

For more information about our use of your personal data or exercising your rights as outlined above, please contact us using the details provided in Part 11.

Further information about your rights can also be obtained from the Information Commissioner's Office or your local Citizens Advice Bureau.

If you have any cause for complaint about our use of your personal data, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office.

#### 5. What Personal Data Do You Collect?

We may collect some or all of the following personal data (this may vary according to your relationship with us):

- Name;
- Title
- · Gender;
- Address including your correspondence address if provided to us;
- Email address;
- Telephone numbers;
- Correspondence with you;
- Account balances;
- Payment information;

Your personal data may be obtained from the following third parties:

- Alex M Adamson Sheriff's Officers or Brady's Debt Management Solicitors (if we require to pursue outstanding balances);
- Solicitors directly involved in the purchase and or sale of your property.
- CPL our software supplier
- Deacon on behalf of A J Gallagher our Insurance Broker

# 6. How Do You Use My Personal Data?

Under the GDPR, we must always have a lawful basis for using personal data. This may be because the data is necessary for our performance of a contract with you, or because you have consented to our use of your personal data, or because it is in our legitimate business interests to use it. Your personal data will be used for the following purposes:

Providing and managing your account.

- Supplying our products **and** services to you. Your personal details are required in order for us to enter into a contract with you.
- Personalising and tailoring our services for you.
- Communicating with you. This may include responding to emails or calls from you.
- Supplying you with information by email and/or post that you have opted-in to you may unsubscribe or opt-out at any time by you changing your status on our client portal or contacting our offices to request the change.

With your permission and/or where permitted by law, we may also use your personal data for marketing purposes, which may include contacting you by email and/or telephone and/or text message and/or post with information, news, and offers on our products and/or services. You will not be sent any unlawful marketing or spam. We will always work to fully protect your rights and comply with our obligations under the GDPR and the Privacy and Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003, and you will always have the opportunity to opt-out.

We use the following automated systems for carrying out certain kinds of decision-making. If at any point you wish to query any action that we take on the basis of this or wish to request 'human intervention' (i.e. have someone review the action themselves, rather than relying only on the automated method), the GDPR gives you the right to do so. Please contact us to find out more using the details in Part 11.

- The following automated decision-making method(s) may be used:
  - using your data to process management and maintenance transactions on your behalf as part of the services we provide on your behalf.

# 7. How Long Will You Keep My Personal Data?

We will not keep your personal data for any longer than is necessary in light of the reason(s) for which it was first collected. Your personal data will therefore be kept for the following periods (or, where there is no fixed period, the following factors will be used to determine how long it is kept):

• while you remain a client of CWL or we hold an outstanding balance on your account or such period as is necessary to fulfil our legal and service obligations on your behalf;

## 8. How and Where Do You Store or Transfer My Personal Data?

We will only store your personal data in the UK. This means that it will be fully protected under the GDPR.

The security of your personal data is essential to us, and to protect your data, we take a number of important measures, including the following:

 Using firewalls to protect unauthorised access to our systems, password protected access to our systems and a clear desk policy in our offices.

# 9. Do You Share My Personal Data?

We will not share any of your personal data with any third parties for any purposes, subject to one important exception.

In some limited circumstances, we may be legally required to share certain personal data, which might include yours, if we are involved in legal proceedings or complying with legal obligations, a court order, or the instructions of a government authority.

or

We may sometimes contract with the following third parties to supply products and/or services to you on our behalf. These may include payment processing, delivery, and marketing. In some cases, those third parties may require access to some or all of your personal data that we hold.

- Deacon Insurance as part of the A J Gallagher Group who are contracted to discharge insurance related services for you and on your behalf.
- Alex M Adamson Sheriff's officers in the case of pursuing charges owed by you.

- Brady's Solicitors in the case of pursuing charges owed by you
- CPL our software provider

If any of your personal data is required by a third party, as described above, we will take steps to ensure that your personal data is handled safely, securely, and in accordance with your rights, our obligations, and the third party's obligations under the law.

We contract with third parties (as described above), and those third parties are located may sometimes contract with third parties (as described above) that are located outside of the European Economic Area (the "EEA" consists of all EU member states, plus Norway, Iceland, and Liechtenstein). If any personal data is transferred to a third party outside of the EEA, we will take suitable steps in order to ensure that your personal data is treated just as safely and securely as it would be within the UK and under the GDPR, as explained above in Part 8.

In some limited circumstances, we may be legally required to share certain personal data, which might include yours, if we are involved in legal proceedings or complying with legal obligations, a court order, or the instructions of a government authority.

## 10. How Can I Access My Personal Data?

If you want to know what personal data we have about you, you can ask us for details of that personal data and for a copy of it (where any such personal data is held). This is known as a "subject access request".

All subject access requests should be made in writing and sent to the email or postal addresses shown in Part 11. To make this as easy as possible for you, a Subject Access Request Form is available for you to use. You do not have to use this form, but it is the easiest way to tell us everything we need to know to respond to your request as quickly as possible.

There is not normally any charge for a subject access request. If your request is 'manifestly unfounded or excessive' (for example, if you make repetitive requests) a fee may be charged to cover our administrative costs in responding.

We will respond to your subject access request within 30 days and, in any case, not more than one month of receiving it. Normally, we aim to provide a complete response, including a copy of your personal data within that time. In some cases, however, particularly if your request is more complex, more time may be required up to a maximum of three months from the date we receive your request. You will be kept fully informed of our progress.

### 11. How Do I Contact You?

To contact us about anything to do with your personal data and data protection, including to make a subject access request, please use the following details (for the attention of Mr David Hutton, Company Data Protection Officer (CDPO)):

Email address: gdpr@charleswhite.co.uk

Telephone number: 0131 447 8191.

Postal Address: Citypoint, 65 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD.

## 12. Changes to this Privacy Notice

We may change this Privacy Notice from time to time. This may be necessary, for example, if the law changes, or if we change our business in a way that affects personal data protection.

Any changes will be made available on our website at www.charleswhite.co.uk