# **GDPR and Data Protection Policy**



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## **GDPR Privacy Policy**

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#### 1. Introduction

WoodlandAnnemal is committed to protecting and respecting your privacy. This privacy policy outlines how we collect, use, store, and protect the personal data of children, parents/guardians, staff, and other individuals who interact with our services, in line with the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018.

#### 2. Who We Are

Business Name: WoodlandAnnemal Email: woodlandannemal@yahoo.co.uk
Data Protection Lead: Anne Flaherty

#### 3. What Data We Collect

We may collect the following types of personal data:

#### For Children:

- Full name
- Date of birth
- Medical and allergy information
- Emergency contact details
- Educational needs or special requirements
- Attendance records
- Photographs and videos (with consent)

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#### For Parents/Guardians:

- Name and contact information
- Consent forms
- Billing and payment details
- Communication preferences

#### For Staff/Volunteers:

- Name, address, contact details
- DBS checks
- Emergency contacts
- Training records
- Health information (where required for safety)

## 4. Why We Collect This Data

#### We collect personal data to:

- Ensure the safety and well-being of children
- Communicate effectively with parents and guardians
- Meet legal and safeguarding obligations
- Monitor attendance and participation
- Plan and deliver appropriate educational and outdoor activities
- Maintain financial and administrative records

## 5. Legal Bases for Processing

#### We rely on the following lawful bases under the UK GDPR:

- Consent for optional uses like photographs or marketing
- Legal obligation for health and safety, safeguarding, and tax purposes
- Contractual necessity to provide our services
- Vital interests in emergency situations
- Legitimate interests for running and improving our service, where these do not override your rights

#### 6. How We Store Your Data

#### We take appropriate measures to protect your data, including:

- Storing physical records securely in locked storage
- Using password-protected and encrypted digital systems
- Limiting access to data on a need-to-know basis

#### We retain data only as long as necessary:

- Children's records typically 3 years after they leave (or longer if required by safeguarding or insurance obligations)
- Staff records typically 6 years after employment ends

## 7. Sharing Your Data

#### We do not sell or rent your data. We may share data with:

- Emergency services or medical professionals (in case of incident)
- Local authorities or safeguarding boards (if legally required)
- HMRC or insurers (for legal/financial compliance)
- Trusted third-party service providers (e.g., booking or payment systems), under strict data protection agreements

## 8. Your Rights

#### Under UK GDPR, you have the right to:

- Access your data
- Request rectification of incorrect data
- Request erasure (where appropriate)
- Object to processing or request restriction
- Data portability (where applicable)
- Withdraw consent at any time (where consent is the basis)

To exercise any of these rights, contact us at woodlandannemal@gmail.co.uk

## 9. Use of Photographs and Videos

We may take photos or videos during sessions to document learning or for promotional purposes. We always seek written consent from parents/guardians before doing so. You can withdraw this consent at any time.

## 10. Cookies and Website Data (if applicable)

Our website may collect limited data through cookies for functionality and analytics. You can manage cookie preferences in your browser settings.

## 11. Complaints

If you are concerned about how we handle your data, please contact us in the first instance. You also have the right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO):

Website: www.ico.org.uk

Phone: 0303 123 1113

## 12. Updates to This Policy

We may update this policy from time to time. The latest version will always be available on our website or by request.