

Personal Data Privacy Notice

At Legal Lets we value our clients and our main priority whilst providing a quality service is to keep clients and their information confidential. Within this notice, we explain what information we as a letting agent collect and how we store, process and use this information.

We process personal data (which may be held on paper, electronically, or otherwise) about you and we recognise the need to treat it in an appropriate and lawful manner. The purpose of this notice is to make you aware of how we will handle your information.

Legal Lets - Who are we?

Legal Lets is an independent letting agency managed by Alyshia Gayle at 87 Evesham Road B97 4JX. We are ARLA recognised which ensures maximum protection for clients. We take the issue of security and data protection very seriously and strictly adhere to guidelines published in the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 which is applicable from the 25th May 2018, together with any domestic laws subsequently enacted. Confidentiality is our priority when dealing with clients personal information, here at Legal Lets we pride ourselves in keeping the security of sensitive information to a high standard.

We are notified as a Data Controller with the Office of the Information Commissioner under registration number ZA305917 and we are the data controller of any personal data that you provide to us.

Our Data Protection Officer is Alyshia Gayle, any questions relating to this notice and our privacy practices should be sent to info@legallets.co.uk or 07809506713.

How we collect information from you and what information we collect

We collect information about you:

- From your application for accommodation

We collect the following information about you:

- Prospective tenants and/or guarantor names, email address, date of birth, address (including any previous addresses, relationship to other prospective tenants, employment status, name of university or college where you are studying (if applicable));
- Tenant name, email address, telephone number, Date of Birth, address (including any previous addresses), marital status, National Insurance Number, nationality, next of kin, name of university or college where you are studying (if applicable), the name of friends that you are staying with (if applicable);
- Guarantor name, e-mail address, telephone number, Date of Birth, address (including any previous addresses), marital status, National Insurance Number, nationality, next of kin (if applicable);
- Property address; term, rent, deposit, utility and service responsibilities;
- The employment status of tenants and/or guarantors, address, contact details (including email, phone and fax numbers) of the employer/accountant, payroll numbers, length of employment, salary information (including any regular overtime or commission), and any other income received;
- Bank account details of the tenant and prospective tenants, including account number and sort code, and any hire purchase/loan agreements/credit cards or store cards that you have; and
- Any welfare benefits that you may be eligible for, or are currently on.

Why we need this information about you and how it will be used

We need your information and will use your information:

- to undertake and perform our obligations and duties to you in accordance with the terms of our contract with you;
- to enable us to supply you with the services and information which you have requested;
- to help you to manage your tenancy;
- to carry out due diligence on any prospective tenant and/or guarantor, including whether there is any money judgements against them, or any history of bankruptcy or insolvency;

- to analyse the information we collect so that we can administer, support and improve and develop our business and the services we offer;
- to contact you in order to send you details of any changes to our suppliers which may affect you; and
- for all other purposes consistent with the proper performance of our operations and business.

Sharing of Your Information

It is important that data subjects are aware of the circumstances where their personal data may be shared and this section should be comprehensive. The information you provide to us will be treated as confidential and will be processed only by any third party, acting on my behalf (Alyshia Gayle)

We may disclose your information to other third parties who act for us for the purposes set out in this notice or for purposes approved by you, including the following:

- If we enter into a joint venture with or merge with a business entity, your information may be disclosed to our new business partners or owners;
- To carry out due diligence on you as a prospective tenant/ guarantor, including but not limited to the carrying out of affordability checks, due diligence checks and the obtaining of references from relevant parties, whose data you have provided;
- If you request so, your information shall be disclosed in order to determine if there are any money judgements against you, as the prospective tenant/guarantor, or to determine if they have a history of bankruptcy or insolvency;
- If you are unable to make payments under your tenancy, your information may be disclosed to any relevant party assisting in the recovery of this debt or the tracing of you as a tenant; and
- In the creation, renewal or termination of the tenancy, your information will be disclosed to the relevant local authority, tenancy deposit scheme administrator, service/utility provider, freeholder, factor, facilities manager or any other relevant person or organisation in connection with this.

Unless required to do so by law, we will not otherwise share, sell or distribute any of the information you provide to us without your consent.

Security

It is important that personal information is stored securely and appropriate technical measures are taken to protect this information, this section should set out details of the security measures in place. When you give us information we take steps to make sure that your personal information is kept secure and safe. All personal information is stored in a locked filing cabinet within a locked facility whom only authorised individuals can access. There is also a copy of all sensitive information kept electronically protected by a secure website and strong passwords. Neither copies of information can be accessed without secure and professional authorisation.

How long we will keep your information

It is important that personal data is not stored for any longer than it is reasonably required. Data subjects should be notified of how long personal data is stored for, or if this is not possible, then details of the criteria used to determine how long personal data will be kept for.

We review our data retention periods regularly and will only hold your personal data for as long as is necessary for the relevant activity, or as required by law (we may be legally required to hold some types of information), or as set out in any relevant contract we have with you.

At Legal Lets personal data will be kept for 7 years of the collection of information, this will ensure that any relevant information can be used in a professional and appropriate manner if necessary.

Your Rights

You have the right at any time to:

- ask for a copy of the information about you held by us in our records;
- require us to correct any inaccuracies in your information;

- make a request to us to delete what personal data of yours we hold; and
- object to receiving any marketing communications from us.

If you would like to exercise any of your rights above please contact us at info@legallets.co.uk

Should you wish to complain about the use of your information, we would ask that you contact us to resolve this matter in the first instance. You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office in relation to our use of your information. The Information Commissioner's contact details are noted below:

England:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House, Water Lane
Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF
Telephone: 0303 123 1113
Email: casework@ico.org.uk

Scotland:

The Information Commissioner's Office
45 Melville Street, Edinburgh, EH3 7HL
Telephone: 0131 244 9001
Email: Scotland@ico.org.uk

Wales

Information Commissioner's Office
2nd floor, Churchill House
Churchill way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH
Telephone: 029 2067 8400
Email: wales@ico.org.uk

Northern Ireland:

Information Commissioner's Office
3rd Floor, 14 Cromac Place
Belfast, BT7 2JB
Telephone: 028 9027 8757
Email: ni@ico.org.uk

The accuracy of your information is important to us - please help us keep our records updated by informing us of any changes to your email address and other contact details.