
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Data Protection Act 1998 imposes certain obligations on data controllers to give data subjects information about the processing of their personal data and access to those personal data. By virtue of section 27(2) of that Act, the provisions imposing these obligations are referred to as the “subject information provisions”.

This Order exempts from the subject information provisions processing of personal data for the purposes of assessing any person’s suitability for certain offices to which appointments are made by Her Majesty.

This Order contributes to the implementation of Directive [95/46/EC](#) on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment was prepared for the Data Protection Bill as it was then and the statutory instruments to be made under it, and was placed in the libraries of both Houses of Parliament. The Regulatory Impact Assessment is now available on the internet at www.homeoffice.gov.uk. Alternatively, copies can be obtained by post from the Home Office, LGDP Unit, 50 Queen Anne’s Gate, London SW1H 9AT.