



# Data Protection Act 1998

## 1998 CHAPTER 29

### PART VI

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

##### *Functions of Commissioner*

VALID FROM 01/02/2010

#### **[<sup>F1</sup>52A Data-sharing code**

- (1) The Commissioner must prepare a code of practice which contains—
  - (a) practical guidance in relation to the sharing of personal data in accordance with the requirements of this Act, and
  - (b) such other guidance as the Commissioner considers appropriate to promote good practice in the sharing of personal data.
- (2) For this purpose “good practice” means such practice in the sharing of personal data as appears to the Commissioner to be desirable having regard to the interests of data subjects and others, and includes (but is not limited to) compliance with the requirements of this Act.
- (3) Before a code is prepared under this section, the Commissioner must consult such of the following as the Commissioner considers appropriate—
  - (a) trade associations (within the meaning of section 51);
  - (b) data subjects;
  - (c) persons who appear to the Commissioner to represent the interests of data subjects.
- (4) In this section a reference to the sharing of personal data is to the disclosure of the data by transmission, dissemination or otherwise making it available.]

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#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 52A-52E inserted (1.2.2010) by Coroners and Justice Act 2009 (c. 25), **ss. 174(1)**, 175, 182 (with s. 180); S.I. 2010/145, **art. 2**, Sch. para. 16

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