



Data Protection Act 2018

2018 CHAPTER 12

PART 4

INTELLIGENCE SERVICES PROCESSING

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CONTROLLER AND PROCESSOR

General obligations

103 Data protection by design

- (1) Where a controller proposes that a particular type of processing of personal data be carried out by or on behalf of the controller, the controller must, prior to the processing, consider the impact of the proposed processing on the rights and freedoms of data subjects.
- (2) A controller must implement appropriate technical and organisational measures which are designed to ensure that—
 - (a) the data protection principles are implemented, and
 - (b) risks to the rights and freedoms of data subjects are minimised.

Commencement Information

II S. 103 in force at 16.9.2019 by S.I. 2019/1188, reg. 2(c)

Changes to legislation:

Data Protection Act 2018, Section 103 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 21 July 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 13A inserted by [2024 c. 21 s. 31\(4\)](#)
- s. 204(1)(l) inserted by [S.I. 2024/374 Sch. 5 para. 7](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 8(1)(y) added by [2022 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 78\(3\)](#)