

What is the purpose of this document?

The following privacy notice explains how we, Certsure protect candidates information gathered via our website and processed using our online recruitment software. If you as a candidate choose to submit information, you do so knowing that use of such data is in accordance with this privacy notice

We ensure generally accepted standards of technological security for the purpose of protecting information provided by candidates from misuse, loss or corruption. Only authorised personnel have access to personally identifiable information submitted through the website. Such employees are required to maintain the confidentiality of this sensitive data.

Certsure is a "data controller". This means that we are responsible for deciding how we hold and use personal information about you. You are being sent a copy of this privacy notice because you are applying for work with us (whether as an employee, member, worker or consultant). It makes you aware of how and why your personal data will be used, namely for the purposes of the recruitment exercise, and how long it will usually be retained for. It provides you with certain information that must be provided under the UK GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation).

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As defined by the and the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA, UK GDPR) Certsure is the **Data Controller** and ultimately responsible for ensuring the data you provide is kept secure, processed correctly and that you understand your legal rights in relation to the data you provide.

As part of our Data Controller responsibilities, we have an assigned Data Protection Officer (or equivalent). Our DPO can be contacted at DPO@certsure.com.

The recruitment software we use via this website is supplied by Net-Worx (2001) Ltd (trading as networkx) and they are defined as a **Data Processor** under the DPA 2018 (UK GDPR). They will only process your data in accordance with our instructions. networkx can be contacted their the Data Protection Officer for networkx can be contacted at dpo@networkxrecruitment.com.

Data Protection Principles

We will comply with data protection law and principles, which means that your data will be:

- Used lawfully, fairly and in a transparent way.
- Collected only for valid purposes that we have clearly explained to you and not used in any way that is incompatible with those purposes.
- Relevant to the purposes we have told you about and limited only to those purposes.

- Accurate and kept up to date.
- Kept only as long as necessary for the purposes we have told you about.
- Kept securely.

The kind of information we hold about you

In connection with your application for work with us, we will collect, store, and use the following categories of personal information about you:

- The information you have provided in your curriculum vitae and supporting notice, including name, title, address, telephone number, personal email address, date of birth, gender, employment history, education, qualifications, current salary.
- Any information you provide to us during the selection and interview process.

We may also collect, store and use the following "special categories" of more sensitive personal information:

- Information about your race or ethnicity, religious beliefs, sexual orientation and political opinions.
- Information about your health, including any medical conditions.
- Information about criminal convictions and offences.

How is your personal information collected?

We collect personal information about candidates from the following sources:

- You, the candidate.
- Any recruitment agency if used, from which we collect the following categories of data:

The information you have provided in your curriculum vitae and covering letter, including name, title, address, telephone number, personal email address, date of birth, gender, employment history, education, qualifications, current salary.

- Your named referees, from whom we collect the following categories of data:

Name, job title, date of employment, recommendations, assessment of work performance, work relationships, honesty and integrity, re-employment potential, reason for leaving.

How will we use information about you?

We will use the personal information we collect about you to:

- Assess your skills, qualifications, and suitability for the role.
- Carry out background and reference checks, where applicable.
- Communicate with you about the recruitment process.
- Keep records related to our hiring processes.
- Comply with legal or regulatory requirements.

It is in our legitimate interests to decide whether to appoint you to the role since it would be beneficial to our business to appoint someone to undertake the work.

We also need to process your personal information to decide whether to enter into a contract of employment or services with you.

After receiving your CV and covering letter, we will review your application to assess whether you meet the criteria for shortlisting. If you do, we will then determine whether to invite you for an interview. Should you be invited, the information you provide during the interview will help us evaluate your suitability for the role. If successful, we will proceed with reference checks and any other necessary verifications before confirming your appointment.

If you fail to provide personal information

If you fail to provide information when requested, which is necessary for us to consider your application (such as evidence of qualifications or work history), we will not be able to process your application successfully.

How we use particularly special category information regarding any disability

We will use your particularly special category information in the following ways:

If you choose to share information about a disability, we will use it to help ensure that any necessary adjustments can be made to support you during the recruitment process—for example, during a test or interview. Sharing this information is entirely voluntary and will only be used to support your application fairly and appropriately.

Information about criminal convictions

We envisage that we will process information about criminal convictions in the following way.

We will collect information about your unspent criminal convictions history if we would like to offer you the role (conditional on checks and any other conditions, such as references, being satisfactory). We are required and/or entitled to carry out a criminal records check in order to satisfy ourselves that there is nothing in your criminal convictions history which makes you unsuitable for the role.

We have in place an appropriate policy documents and safeguards which we are required by law to maintain when processing such data.

Automated decision-making

You will not be subject to decisions that will have a significant impact on you based solely on automated decision-making.

Data sharing

Who might we share your information with?

Personal details you provide in the registration on our applicant tracking system network or in your application :

- Will be made available to us and our processors
- Will by preference be searchable on our candidate database
- Will allow you to optionally receive notifications on relevant jobs you are seeking
- Will be used for communication with you regarding recruitment
- Will be used for statistical analysis

Although we may provide candidates information to service providers that handle information on our behalf, we will not share the information with any other third party excluding our applicant tracking system provide network, for secondary or unrelated purposes unless otherwise disclosed at the point of collection and not without having gained acceptance at the point of collection.

Data security

We have put in place appropriate security measures to prevent your personal information from being accidentally lost, used or accessed in an unauthorised way, altered or disclosed. In addition, we limit access to your personal information to those employees, agents, consultants and other third parties who have a business need-to-know. They will only process your personal information on our instructions, and they are subject to a duty of confidentiality.

We have put in place procedures to deal with any suspected data security breach and will notify you and any applicable regulator of a suspected breach where we are legally required to do so.

Data retention

How long will you use my information for?

Your candidate account will be deactivated after 12 months of inactivity. You can deactivate your account at any time. At the same time as this, your data will be fully anonymised. Information provided to us during your application for any position in the organisation will only be stored for 12 months. However if you are appointed to a role this information will be stored for the duration of your length of service with us.

Rights of access, correction, erasure and restriction

We are dedicated to providing reasonable access to candidates who wish to review the personal information retained when they apply via our website and correct any inaccuracies it may contain. Candidates who choose to register may access their profile, correct, and update their details, or withdraw their details at any time. To do this, candidates can access their personal profile by using their secure login. In all cases we will treat requests to access information or change information in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Under certain circumstances, by law you have the right to:

- erasure or to be forgotten.
- rectification if information is inaccurate or out of date - This enables you to have any incomplete or inaccurate information we hold about you corrected.
- the right of data portability (to obtain and reuse your personal data).
- object to networkx and the Controller and processors handling of your personal data.
- withdraw your consent with regards to the handling of your personal data.
- ask for a copy of the information we hold about you (Subject Access Request - S.A.R) - This enables you to receive a copy of the personal information we hold about you and to check that we are lawfully processing it.
- lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority - the ICO.

Within your candidate account on our applicant tracking system networkx, you can also use the Download Data feature to generate an XML file of the current data we hold on to that you have provided and/or have access to within the account.

Where you exercise your right to object or withdraw your consent, we may process your personal data without your knowledge or consent where we are permitted or required by law or regulatory requirements to do so. In such a case, we will not process more personal data than is required under the circumstances.

If you are not satisfied by our actions, you can seek recourse through our internal complaints' process. If you remain dissatisfied, you have the right to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner (www.ico.org.uk) or seek recourse through the courts.

If you want to review, verify, correct or request erasure of your personal information, object to the processing of your personal data, or request that we transfer a copy of your personal information to another party, please contact us via vacancies@certsure.com and we will inform our DPO in writing.

Your duty to inform us of changes

If, when applying for this role, you provided consent for us to process your personal information for the purposes of the recruitment exercise. You have the right to update or correct your personal information. During the recruitment process, you can do this via your candidate profile. If you are appointed to a role, you will be able to manage and update your information through our internal systems.


Right to withdraw consent

When you registered your interest in a position or created a profile on our applicant tracking system (networx), you have been asked to provide consent for us to process your personal information for recruitment purposes. You have the right to withdraw this consent at any time. Unless we have informed you of another lawful basis for processing your personal data, once we receive notification that you have withdrawn your consent, we will cease processing your application. In line with our data retention policy, we will then securely dispose of your personal information.

Changes to our Privacy Policy

We reserve the right to modify or amend this privacy notice at any time and for any reason, providing it maintains compliance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Act 2018.

Approval and Ownership

Owner			
Human Resources			
Approved By	Title	Date	Signature
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