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PROTECTION ACT
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**The Data Protection Act**

The Data Protection Act aims to protect the rights and freedoms of individuals about whom personal information is processed.

The Information Commissioner is an independent authority reporting directly to the UK Parliament who enforces and oversees the Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA).

We are obliged to provide a notification to the Information Commissioner describing the purposes for which personal information is processed. This is available from the Information Commissioner Office, contact details can be found on page 2.

**Your rights under the Data Protection Act**

**It is your legal right to know how your personal information is used**

When you register an enquiry, or complete an application, you will be consenting to the use of your personal information.

If you would like a full explanation of ‘How we use your personal information’ you can request a copy of our additional leaflet from any branch or by calling 0345 1200 100.

If you have any queries about either of these leaflets, please contact Data Protection at the address at the end of page 3 of this leaflet.

**An adequate level of security for your personal information**

We take the privacy and security of your personal information very seriously. We won’t disclose it to anyone except with your consent or if the law, public duty or our legitimate interests require us to. Our security is in line with industry best practice and standards.

**Challenge automated decisions**

If a computer makes a decision affecting you e.g. automated credit scoring, you can discuss this and the decision will be reviewed and changed, if appropriate.

**Object to direct marketing**

You have a right to choose not to receive direct marketing. We will ask you if we can market to you and how we can do this. We will remind you of this right every three years. You can change your mind at any time by calling 0345 1200 100 or by visiting your local branch.

If you do not wish to receive unsolicited marketing from other organisations, you can register your details with the preference services run by the Direct Marketing Association. For more information see dma.org.uk.

Mail Preference Service (MPS)  
DMA House  
70 Margaret Street  
London  
W1W 8SS
Tel 0207 291 3310  
Fax 020 7323 4226  
email mps@dma.org.uk  
Web www.mpsonline.org.uk

Telephone Preference Service (TPS)  
Address, tel & fax as for MPS  
email tps@dma.org.uk  
Web www.tpsonline.org.uk

Fax Preference Service (FPS)  
Address, tel & fax as for MPS  
Email fps@dma.org.uk  
Web www.fpsonline.org.uk
Have incorrect personal information corrected
If you demonstrate that your personal information is inaccurate, we will correct it.

Compensation if we breach the law and you suffer damage
If you suffer loss or damage because we do not comply with the Data Protection Act, you may be entitled to compensation.

Obtain a copy of the personal information we hold about you
This is a Subject Access Request. We may charge you a fee of £10.00 to process your request. You can obtain a copy of your personal information by making a request online or completing a Subject Access Request form (YBS039) which you can obtain from any of our branches, or by writing to the address at the end of page 3 of this leaflet.

Assessment by the Information Commissioner
Anyone can ask the Information Commissioner for an assessment of the processing carried out by any company. Information Commissioner contact details are:
Information Commissioner’s Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane, Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF
Tel. 01625 545745
www.ico.org.uk

Invoke your rights
If you have any queries relating to the use of your personal information, or this leaflet, please contact Customer Relations at the address at the end of page 3 of this leaflet.

Our legal obligations
We must make sure that your personal information is:
- Processed fairly and lawfully and only processed if certain conditions are met
- Obtained only for one or more specified and lawful purpose(s), and not further processed
- Adequate, relevant and not excessive in relation to the purpose(s) for which it is processed
- Accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date
- Kept for no longer than is necessary for the purpose(s) for which it was collected
- Processed in accordance with your rights under the Data Protection Act
- Protected by appropriate technical and organisational measures against unauthorised or unlawful processing or accidental loss, destruction or damage
- Not transferred to a country or territory outside the European Economic Area unless there is an adequate level of protection, with your consent or where permitted by the Data Protection Act.
Credit Reference Agencies

We use the following credit reference agencies for credit searches and identity checks:

Consumer Support Centre  Customer Service Centre  Consumer Services Team
Experian Ltd  Equifax Ltd  Callcredit Limited
PO Box 9000  PO Box 10036  PO Box 491
Nottingham NG80 7WF  Leicester LE3 4FS  Leeds LS3 1WZ
www.experian.co.uk  www.equifax.co.uk  www.callcreditcheck.com

You have the right to apply to them for details of information they hold about you, subject to payment of a fee, currently £2.00. You should include:

- your full name (title, forename, second initial, surname and maiden name if appropriate)
- details of all addresses you have lived at over the last 6 years (including town, country, postcode and date moved)
- a cheque or postal order, payable to the credit reference agency of your choice for £2.00
- the date and your signature to formally authorise the request.

Fraud Prevention Agencies

You have a right to details of the fraud prevention agencies from whom we obtain and record information. They are:

National Hunter Limited  CIFAS
PO Box 2756  6th Floor, Lynton House
Stoke on Trent  ST6 9AQ  7-12 Tavistock Square
London WC1H 9LT

www.nhunter.co.uk  www.cifas.org.uk

Contact us

Data Protection Team/Customer Relations
Yorkshire Building Society
Yorkshire House
Yorkshire Drive
Bradford
BD5 8LJ

Our printed material is available in alternative formats e.g. large print, Braille or audio. Please visit us in branch or call us on 0345 1200 100.

All communications with us may be monitored/recorded to improve the quality of our service and for your protection and security. Calls to 03 numbers are charged at the same standard network rate as 01 or 02 landline numbers, even when calling from a mobile.

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