# **Privacy Policy**

This privacy policy sets out how The Art of Design Limited (AOD) uses and protects any information that you give AOD.

# Introduction

AOD is the data controller and we are committed to ensuring that your privacy is protected. We can be contacted by email at <u>info@theartofdesign.co.uk</u> Our postal address is The Art of Design Limited, Lenacre Hall Barn, 393a Sandyhurst Lane, Ashford, Kent. TN25 4PF.

If you are not happy with any aspect of how we collect and use your data, you have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), the UK supervisory authority for data protection issues (www.ico.org.uk). We should be grateful if you would contact us first if you do have a complaint so that we can try to resolve it for you.

This policy is effective from 25th May 2018.

# What we collect

AOD will be what's known as the "Controller" of the personal data you provide to us. We only collect basic personal data about you which does not include any special categories of personal information about you (known as Special Category Data). This does however include name, address, e-mail, telephone number, job title.

#### Why we need it

We need to know your basic personal information necessary for us to continue to communicate effectively with you and to deliver services for your organisation.

The basis for processing your information is based on legitimate business interests only.

We collect this by email, enquiry form, google analytics, face to face meetings and social media. We will hold all contact details and any other information that will enable AOD to maintain contact and manage a business relationship.

#### What we do with the information we gather

We require this information to provide you with a better service. We will retain your information for as long as we maintain a business relationship and have your consent.

We will not share your personal information with any third parties unless we are required by law to do so. You have the right to withdraw your consent at any time.

Following is a description of the ways we intend to use your personal data and the legal grounds on which we will process such data. We have also explained what our legitimate interests are where relevant.

Purpose/Activity	Type of data	Lawful basis for processing
To register you as a new customer	(a) Identity (b) Contact	Performance of a contract with you
To process and deliver your order including: (a) Manage payments, fees and charges (b) Collect and recover money owed to us	<ul> <li>(a) Identity</li> <li>(b) Contact</li> <li>(c) Financial</li> <li>(d) Transaction</li> <li>(e) Communications</li> </ul>	<ul><li>(a) Performance of a contract with you</li><li>(b) Necessary for our legitimate</li><li>interests to recover debts owed to us</li></ul>
To manage our relationship with you which will include: (a) Notifying you about changes to our terms or privacy policy (b) Asking you to leave a review or take a survey	<ul> <li>(a) Identity</li> <li>(b) Contact</li> <li>(c) Profile</li> <li>(d) Marketing/Communications</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(a) Performance of a contract with you</li> <li>(b) Necessary to comply with a legal obligation</li> <li>(c) Necessary for our legitimate interests to keep our records updated and to study how customers use our products/services</li> </ul>
To enable you to partake in a prize draw, competition or complete a survey	<ul> <li>(a) Identity</li> <li>(b) Contact</li> <li>(c) Profile</li> <li>(d) Usage</li> <li>(e) Marketing/Communications</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(a) Performance of a contract with you</li> <li>(b) Necessary for our legitimate</li> <li>interests to study how customers use</li> <li>our products/services, to develop them</li> <li>and grow our business</li> </ul>
To administer and protect our business and our site (including troubleshooting, data analysis, testing, system maintenance, support, reporting and hosting of data)	<ul><li>(a) Identity</li><li>(b) Contact</li><li>(c) Technical</li></ul>	<ul> <li>(a) Necessary for our legitimate interests for running our business, provision of administration and IT services, network security, to prevent fraud and in the context of a business reorganisation or group restructuring exercise</li> <li>(b) Necessary to comply with a legal obligation</li> </ul>
To use data analytics to improve our website, services, marketing, customer relationships and experiences	(a) Technical (b) Usage	Necessary for our legitimate interests to define types of customers for our products and services, to keep our site updated and relevant, to develop our business and to inform our marketing strategy
To make suggestions and recommendations to you about services that may be of interest to you	<ul> <li>(a) Identity</li> <li>(b) Contact</li> <li>(c) Technical</li> <li>(d) Usage</li> <li>(e) Profile</li> </ul>	Necessary for our legitimate interests to develop our products/services and grow our business

#### How we use cookies

A cookie is a small file which asks permission to be placed on your computer's hard drive. Once you agree, the file is added and the cookie helps analyse web traffic by remembering information about you and your preferences. Cookies allow web applications to respond to you as an individual, tailoring its operations to your needs, likes and dislikes.

We use traffic log cookies to identify which pages are being used. This helps us analyse data about web page traffic and improve our website in order to tailor it to customer needs. We only use this information for statistical analysis purposes.

A cookie in no way gives us access to your computer or any information about you, other than the data you choose to share with us.

You can choose to accept or decline cookies. Most web browsers automatically accept cookies, but you can usually modify your browser setting to decline cookies if you prefer. This may prevent you from taking full advantage of the website.

#### Links to other websites

Our website may contain links to other websites of interest. However, once you have used these links to leave our site, you should note that we do not have any control over that other website. Therefore, we cannot be responsible for the protection and privacy of any information which you provide whilst visiting such sites and such sites are not governed by this privacy statement. You should exercise caution and look at the privacy statement applicable to the website in question.

# Security

We are committed to ensuring that your information is secure. In order to prevent unauthorised access or disclosure, we have put in place suitable physical, electronic and managerial procedures to safeguard and secure the information collected online.

# **Data retention**

We will only retain your personal data for as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes we collected it for, including for the purposes of satisfying any legal, accounting, or reporting requirements.

To determine the appropriate retention period for personal data, we consider the amount, nature, and sensitivity of the personal data, the purposes for which we process your personal data and whether we can achieve those purposes through other means, and the applicable legal requirements.

By law we have to keep basic information about our customers (including Contact, Identity, Financial and Transaction Data) for six years after they cease being customers for tax purposes.

In some circumstances you can ask us to delete your data: see below for further information.

In some circumstances we may anonymise your personal data (so that it can no longer be associated with you) for research or statistical purposes in which case we may use this information indefinitely without further notice to you.

# Your legal rights

Under certain circumstances, you have rights under data protection laws in relation to your personal data. These include the right to:

- Request access to your personal data.
- Request correction of your personal data.
- Request erasure of your personal data.
- Object to processing of your personal data.
- Request restriction of processing your personal data.
- Request transfer of your personal data.
- Right to withdraw consent.

You can see more about these rights at: <u>https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-general-data-protection-regulation-gdpr/individual-rights/</u>

If you wish to exercise any of the rights set out above, please email us at info@theartofdesign.co.uk

You will not have to pay a fee to access your personal data (or to exercise any of the other rights). However, we may charge a reasonable fee if your request is clearly unfounded, repetitive or excessive. Alternatively, we may refuse to comply with your request in these circumstances. We may need to request specific information from you to help us confirm your identity and ensure your right to access your personal data (or to exercise any of your other rights). This is a security measure to ensure that personal data is not disclosed to any person who has no right to receive it. We may also contact you to ask you for further information in relation to your request to speed up our response. We respond to all legitimate requests within one month. Occasionally it may take us longer than a month if your request is particularly complex or you have made a number of requests. In this case, we will notify you and keep you updated.

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If you believe that any information we are holding on you is incorrect or incomplete, please write to or email us as soon as possible, at the above address. We will promptly correct any information found to be incorrect.