The audit

Examples of information required for your record of data processing

Our high street firm has audited it the data flows in its areas of work. Below is a record of the information that we gathered based on conveyancing, court work and executries

Residential Conveyancing – house purchases and data of clients

Category of Data	How do you get the data?	Purpose and Legal Basis	Potential Recipients	Where is the data stored?	Notes
		Information	on about the client		
Name, address and contact details of client	Through website enquiry From client	Necessary to provide the legal services associated with purchasing a house	Conveyancing department Property centre and other third parties who advertise properties for sale Seller's solicitor Photographer Planner Person who puts up the 'For Sale' sign Surveyors Viewing assistant	Practice/document management system In a paper file On mobile phones or laptops Within software provided by a third party or service provider External IT support i.e. backup server	This information can be passed to many different parties. You do not require consent for this processing but clients should be told that this processing will take place in case they have concerns. For example, the purchaser may not want the seller's client to know their address How do you secure mobile phones to ensure personal data can be deleted if lost/stolen?
National insurance number	From client	Only necessary for Revenue Scotland if LBTT return being made	Revenue Scotland	Practice/document management systemPaper file	If the NI number is not required, then you should not collect and store it
Identification documentation	• From client	Necessary to carry out AML checks as required by law	Compliance team Any software used to assist in AML checks	Practice/document management system Paper file Third party software	Consider whether this documentation requires to be stored on both the paper file and digitally
Bank details for client	From client	To carry out financial transactions as part of service	Conveyancing department Cash room Financial adviser	 Practice/document management system Paper file 	Consider security and who has access to these details and who car change them
Information about source of funds from client, including bank statements or other financial documentation	From client	Necessary to ensure compliance with the law	Conveyancing department	 Practice/document management system Paper file 	Consider security and access
Information in missives	From client Financial adviser	Necessary to carry out conveyancing	Conveyancing department Seller's solicitor Seller	 Practice/document management system Paper file 	Are there any sensitivities around sharing address details
		Informat	ion about others		
Information about source of funds coming from a third party, including bank statements or other financial documentation	From client and/or third party	Necessary to ensure compliance with the law	Conveyancing department	 Practice/ document management system Paper file 	If you are processing information about a third party, then you need to provide them with a privacy notice
Information in standard security document	• Client • Bank	To facilitate any mortgage used to purchase house	Conveyancing department Mortgage provider Registers of Scotland	 Practice/ document management system Paper file 	Security and access.

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Court work - family law case

Category of Data	How do you get the data?	Purpose and Legal Basis	Potential Recipients	Where is the data stored?	Notes			
Information about the client								
Name, address and contact details of client	Online From client	Necessary to provide legal advice and representation	Court department Solicitor for the other party/parties Court Expert witnesses and advisers Court-appointed reporters Scottish Legal Aid Board	Practice/document management system Software provider IT system support Paper files On mobile phone and/or laptop	This information can be passed to many different parties. You do not require consent for this processing but clients should be told that this processing will take place in case they have concerns. For example, one party may not want the other party to find out their address How do you secure your phone to ensure personal data can be deleted if lost/stolen?			
More personal information about the client's life/marital status/health/criminal convictions etc and that of the other parties involved, which could include information about former partners and children	From client in person or via phone calls and emails From other party's solicitor in person, via phone and email	Necessary to provide legal advice and representation and necessary for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims for any special category data	 Court department Solicitor for the other party/parties Court Advocates Expert witnesses and advisers Court-appointed reporters Party litigants Scottish Legal Aid Board 	 Practice/document management system Handwritten notes on in notebook and typed-up notes Paper file 	Consider the security of emails being used to transfer personal data and special category personal data without encryption or other security measures Only gather the personal data you actually need Be aware of any underlying dangers to your client or client's family from sharing their location in event of potential domestic abuse			
Identification documentation	From client	Necessary to carry out AML checks as required by law	Any software used to assist in AML checks	 Practice/document management system Paper file Third party software 	Consider whether this documentation requires to be stored on both the paper file and the system, particularly if the paper files are going out of the office, ie to court			
Bank details for client	From client	Necessary if money is to be transferred as part of settlement	Court department Cash room	Practice/document management system Paper file	Consider security and who has access to these details and who can change them			
Information about others								
Details about children involved in the dispute who are not clients in their own right	From client From child	Necessary for the client's and the firm's legitimate interests to provide legal advice to obtain and provide legal advice	Court department Solicitor for the other party/parties Advocates Court Expert witnesses Court-appointed reporters Party litigants	Practice/document management system Handwritten notes in notebooks and typed-up notes Paper file	Children are deemed to have the capacity to consent to processing in Scotland from the age of 12. If a child is not the client, then you need another legal basis for processing their data, which will probably be legitimate interests and necessary for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims if special category Age-appropriate, privacy notices may be required			

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Executries

Category of Data	How do you get the data?	Purpose and Legal Basis	Potential Recipients	Where is the data stored?	Notes				
Information about the client									
Name, address and contact details of executors	From the will Direct from person who contacts you to notify of death – could be executor or a family member	Necessary to provide legal services	Private client department Court for confirmation Department of Work and Pensions HMRC Private pension fund Banks	Practice/document management system Software provider IT system support Paper file On mobile phone and/or laptop	If this information did not come from the executor, then that person should be told where it came from and referred to the firm's privacy notice provided. This is still required if they decide to deal with the estate themselves				
Identification documentation	• From clients/ executors	Necessary to carry out AML checks as required by law	Compliance team Any software used to assist in AML checks	Practice/document management system Paper file Third party software	Consider whether this documentation requires to be stored on both the paper file and the system				
Information about others									
Personal details for beneficiaries, including bank details	From the Will From executors From other family members From beneficiary	So that the instructions contained in the Will can be carried out to allow legal services to be provided	Private Client Dept. Cash room Financial adviser (if beneficiary underage)	Practice/document management system Software provider IT system support Paper file Mobile phone	It will be common for this information to come from a third party and not direct from the beneficiary. The beneficiary should be provided with a link to a privacy notice				
Personal details for claimants or potential claimants, which could include bank details	From executors From other family members From claimant	In order to comply with The Succession (Scotland) Act 1964, which obliges solicitors to find and process this data	Private client department Cash room	Practice/document management system Software provider IT system support Paper file Mobile phone	It will be common for this information to come from a third party and not direct from the claimant. The claimant should receive a way to access the firm's privacy notice				