

## **Announcement from The Office of The Data Protection Authority**

## Registration and beyond: changes coming in January 2021

Find out what you need to do about the changes to ODPA registration:

- Everything you need to know about: ODPA Registration & Levy Regime (from January 2021)
  this is a detailed document, please read carefully and <u>contact us</u> if you have any follow up
  questions.
- Guidance Note: Registration via an ODPA Levy Collection Agent
   this document gives specific guidance for organisations wishing to become an ODPA Levy
   Collection Agent (LCA), or register via one.
- Legislation: The Data Protection (General Provisions) (Bailiwick of Guernsey) (Amendment No.2) Regulations, 2020
  - the changes to ODPA registration are the result of this statutory instrument approved by the Committee for Home Affairs on 14 September 2020

## **QUICK SUMMARY**

From January 2021 all local organisations/businesses/sole-traders (and all other entities established in the Bailiwick) who are **doing anything with personal data** are legally required to <u>register</u> with the Office of the Data Protection Authority (ODPA), and pay an annual fee.

The fee paid is based on how many full-time equivalent employees you have:

- £2,000/year for organisations with 50 or more FTE staff or
- £50/year for all other organisations

This may not be on your radar as you may be currently exempt from registration – <u>these exemptions end</u> <u>on 31 December 2020</u>. The ODPA is reaching out to all corners of its regulated community in Guernsey, Alderney, Sark, and Herm to make sure everyone knows what is changing, why it's changing, and most importantly: **what they need to do**.

The simple act of registering with the ODPA does not make you compliant with the law – **how you treat people's data determines that**. In light of this the ODPA are looking forward to registering new

organisations from January 2021 and supporting them in understanding and engaging positively with their legal duties under the local data protection law.

Meeting these duties benefits organisations directly as it helps build trust and confidence with their customers, service users, staff and any other people whose data they use. And ultimately it helps avoid <u>data harms</u> that can devastate people's lives, careers, and reputations.

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