



Note for Applicants on General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

We would like to reassure you that ABRSM takes data protection seriously, particularly in relation to children, and as such, we have conducted a review of our data protection practices in readiness for the arrival GDPR on the 25th May 2018.

As part of this review, we have received legal advice on whether ABRSM is a Data Controller or a Data Processor in relation to the personal data we process. We have been assured that, in the context of ABRSM processing the personal data of our exam candidates and applicants, ABRSM is a Data Controller and not a Data Processor.

The basis for this analysis is that ABRSM determines the purpose and means for our processing of the personal data; ABRSM has overall control in determining:

- what personal data is required and collected from pupils in order that they can use our services;
- the purpose and legal basis for which this personal data is processed; and
- with whom that personal data is shared in order that we can provide our services.

We do not therefore see a requirement under GDPR for ABRSM to enter into a data processing agreement (where ABRSM is instead a Data Processor).

We have recently updated our Privacy Policy and our Exam Regulations to comply with GDPR and both are available on our website.

If you think that the above analysis does not accurately reflect your relationship, as an Applicant, with ABRSM or you have any queries relating to GDPR please contact our Data Lead, Sue Cambridge (scambridge@abrsms.ac.uk)