



# Data Retention Policy



**Be Personnel Limited – 2024**

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Be Personnel Ltd must retain certain records containing your personal and sensitive personal data for periods that are defined in law. For these, and for other records containing your personal and sensitive personal data the Company will retain this information in either or both paper and electronic form for the periods specified in this policy.

Where the Company has obtained your consent to process your personal and sensitive personal data we will retain the information for the time period defined in the specific consent. Upon expiry of that period the Company may seek further consent from you.

The Company will securely process, store, archive and delete information containing your personal and sensitive personal data in accordance with our Data Security Policy.

All individuals have the following rights regarding their personal data:

1. The right to be informed – You have the right to know what information we hold about you, what we are using it for, who we are sharing it with, how long we are keeping it and on what basis we are processing the data.
2. The right of access – If you would like to see the records we hold on file for you
3. The right to rectification – If you believe we are holding incorrect information.
4. The right to erasure – You can ask us to remove your information from our records.
5. The right to restrict processing – You can ask us to stop processing it.
6. The right to data portability – If you want to take your data to another organisation
7. The right to object – You have the right to object to your data being processed.
8. The right not to be subject to automated decision-making (including profiling) – You have the right to object to automated decision-making.

For further information regarding these rights, this policy or any other of the Company's data protection policies or practices please contact Claire Cookson – [claire@bepersonnelltd.com](mailto:claire@bepersonnelltd.com)

## Data record types with statutory retention periods

- **Accident books, accident records/reports**  
*Statutory retention period:* 4 years from the date of the report was made (or, if the accident involves a child/young adult, then until that person reaches the age of 21). (See below for accidents involving chemicals or asbestos).  
See: The Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 1995 (RIDDOR) (SI 1995/3163) as amended, and Limitation Act 1980. Special rules apply concerning incidents involving hazardous substances.
- **Accounting records**  
*Statutory retention period:* 3 years for private companies, 6 years for public limited companies.  
See: Section 221 of the Companies Act 1985 as modified by the Companies Acts 1989 and 2006.
- **Coronavirus furlough records**  
*Statutory retention period:* 6 years for furlough records including amounts claimed, claim period per employee, reference number and calculations. For flexible furlough – usual and actual hours worked.  
See: former statutory guidance 'Claim for wages through the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme'.
- **First Aid Training**  
*Statutory retention period:* 6 years after employment.  
See: Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981.
- **Fire Warden Training**  
*Statutory retention period:* 6 years after employment.  
See: Fire Precautions (Workplace) Regulations 1997.
- **Health and Safety Representatives and employees' training**  
*Statutory retention period:* 5 years after employment.  
See: Health and Safety (Consultation) Regulations 1996; Health and Safety Information for Employees Regulations 1989.

- **Immigration Checks**  
*Statutory retention period:* 2 years after termination of employment.
- **Income tax and NI returns, income tax records and correspondence with HMRC**  
*Statutory retention period:* not less than 3 years after the end of the financial year to which they relate.  
  
See: The Income Tax (Employments) Regulations 1993 (SI 1993/744) as amended, for example by The Income Tax (Employments) (Amendment No. 6) Regulations 1996 (SI 1996/2631).
- **Records relating to children and young adults**  
*Statutory retention period:* until the child/young adult reaches the age of 21.  
See: Limitation Act 1980.
- **Retirement Benefits Schemes**  
*Statutory retention period:* 6 years from the end of the scheme year in which the event took place.  
See: The Retirement Benefits Schemes (Information Powers) Regulations 1995 (SI 1995/3103)
- **Statutory Maternity Pay records including calculations, certificates (Mat B1s) or other medical evidence**  
*Statutory retention period:* 3 years after the end of the tax year in which the maternity period ends.  
See: The Statutory Maternity Pay (General) Regulations 1986 (SI 1986/1960) as amended.
- **Wage/salary records (also overtime, bonuses, expenses)**  
*Statutory retention period:* 6 years.  
*Statutory authority:* Taxes Management Act 1970.
- **National minimum wage records**  
*Statutory retention period:* 6 years after the end of the pay reference period following the one that the records cover.  
See: National Minimum Wage Act 1998 and The National Minimum Wage (Amendment) Regulations 2021.
- **Night workers health assessments**  
*Statutory retention period:* Records to show health assessment records for night workers should be kept at least three years after the relevant period.
- **Records relating to working time**  
*Statutory retention period:* 2 years from date on which they were made. Records in relation to hours worked should currently be kept for 3 years beginning with the day on which the pay reference period ends.  
See: The Working Time Regulations 1998 (SI 1998/1833) and Employment Rights Regulations 2023.
- **Work-seeker records**  
*Statutory retention period:* one year from (a) the date of their creation or (b) after the date on which we last provide you with work-finding services.  
See: The Conduct of Employment Agencies and Employment Businesses Regulations 2003 and The Gangmasters (Licensing Conditions) Rules 2009
- **Records relating to dealings with other licence holders**  
*Statutory retention period:* one year from creation or, where they have been supplied by another person, from last supply.  
*Statutory authority:* The Gangmasters (Licensing Conditions) Rules 2009

Data Record types with non-statutory retention periods

- **Application forms and interview notes (for unsuccessful candidates)**  
Retention period: Six months.
- **E-Mails from clients and candidates**  
Retention period: Up to two years.
- **Inland Revenue/HMRC approvals**  
Retention period: permanently.
- **Parental leave**  
*Retention period:* 18 years from the birth of the child.

- ***Pension scheme investment policies***  
*Retention period: 12 years from the ending of any benefit payable under the policy.*
- ***Pensioners' records***  
*Retention period: 12 years after benefit ceases.*
- ***Personnel files and training records (including disciplinary records and working time records)***  
*Retention period: 6 years after employment ceases.*
- ***Redundancy details, calculations of payments, refunds, notification to the Secretary of State***  
*Retention period: 6 years from the date of redundancy*
- ***Senior executives' records (that is, those on a senior management team or their equivalents)***  
*Retention period: permanently for historical purposes.*
- ***Statutory Sick Pay records, calculations, certificates, self-certificates***  
*Retention period: The 6 years after the employment ceases.*



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