

Preparing for GDPR - Course Outline

Duration: 3 hours

Course Description

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) becomes law on 25 May 2018 and represents the biggest change to data protection legislation in 20 years. It applies to all businesses, regardless of size, sector or turnover. Businesses are facing significantly higher fines than they do currently and their reporting obligations will increase. Also, individuals' privacy rights will be enhanced under GDPR which presents challenges for businesses to be compliant and it is important for them to be aware of these rights so that they know how to manage them as and when they arise.

In this workshop, we will discuss the current data protection law before determining what key changes the GDPR will make to the current law and what these changes mean for your business. We will then explore what your business can do practically to deal with GDPR compliance and what next steps you should be taking going forward.

Who should attend?

Business owners, senior managers and persons responsible for data protection within the business should attend. The GDPR applies across all aspects of business, particularly within HR, marketing, IT and customer-facing functions, so all are welcome to attend.

What will it cover?

- An introduction to, and the key areas of, the current Data Protection Act 1998.
- The key changes which the GDPR will bring including the significant increase in fines, consent requirements, the duty to report data breaches, enhanced data subject rights (including subject access requests and the right to be forgotten), data protection officers, privacy by design, data protection impact assessments, record keeping and data processors.
- A brief overview of the impact of Brexit on data protection law in the UK.
- What this all means for your business.
- Exercises to help put the GDPR into practice.
- Practical next steps to consider when implementing GDPR-compliant practices into your business.