Privacy Notice - Candidates

What is the purpose of this document?

We are a data controller. This means we are responsible for deciding how we hold and use personal information about you. You are being sent a copy of this privacy notice because you are applying for work with us.

Our contact details are as follows:

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This privacy notice describes how we collect and use personal information about you during the recruitment exercise and how long it will usually be retained for. It also sets out certain additional information in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

We do not have an appointed Data Protection Officer and any queries in relation to how we hold and use your personal information should be directed to Caroline Quick.

As a data controller, we are responsible for deciding how we hold and use personal information about you. This notice explains to you what decisions we have taken in relation to that information.

Data protection principles

In collecting and processing your personal information, we will comply with the data protection law in force at the time. This requires that the personal information we hold about you must be:

- 1. Used lawfully, fairly and in a transparent way.
- 2. Collected only for valid purposes that we have clearly explained to you and not used in any way that is incompatible with those purposes.
- 3. Relevant to the purposes we have told you about and limited only to those purposes.
- 4. Accurate and kept up to date.
- 5. Kept only as long as necessary for the purposes we have told you about.
- 6. Kept securely.

The kind of information we hold about you

We will collect, store, and use a variety of categories of personal information about you. Those categories are detailed in the Schedule to this notice.

We may also collect, store and use "special categories" of more sensitive personal information, which are also detailed in the Schedule to this notice.

How is your personal information collected?

We collect personal information about candidates through the application and recruitment process, either directly from candidates or sometimes from an employment agency or background check provider. We may sometimes collect additional information from third parties including former employers, credit reference agencies or other background credit agencies.

How we will use information about you

We will only use your personal information when the law allows us to and as detailed in the Schedule to this notice.

Situations in which we will use your personal information

There are a variety of situations in which we will use the information we collect about you and these are detailed in the Schedule to this notice. The information in the Schedule includes the use we make of particularly sensitive personal information, such as information about your physical or mental health and criminal records information.

Where we use your personal information to pursue the legitimate interests of the business, we will only do so provided your interests and fundamental rights do not override those interests.

Some of the above grounds for processing will overlap and there may be several grounds which justify our use of your personal information.

If you fail to provide personal information

If you fail to provide information when requested, which is necessary for us to consider your application (such as evidence of qualifications or work history), we will not be able to process your application successfully. For example, if we require a credit check or references for this role and you fail to provide us with relevant details, we will not be able to take your application further.

Change of purpose

We will only use your personal information for the purposes for which we collected it, unless we reasonably consider that we need to use it for another reason and that reason is compatible with the original purpose. If we need to use your personal information for an unrelated purpose, we will notify you and we will explain the legal basis which allows us to do so.

Please note that we may process your personal information without your knowledge or consent, in compliance with the above rules, where this is required or permitted by law.

Do we need your consent to use particularly sensitive information?

We do not need your consent if we use your personal information in accordance with our written policy to carry out our legal obligations or exercise specific rights in the field of employment law. In limited circumstances, we may approach you for your written consent to allow us to process certain particularly sensitive data. If we do so, we will provide you with full details of the information that we would like and the reason we need it, so that you can carefully consider whether you wish to consent. You should be aware that it is not a condition of your application that you agree to any request for consent from us.

Why might you share my personal information with third parties?

We may have to share your data with third parties, including third-party service providers. We require third parties to respect the security of your data and to treat it in accordance with the law.

We will share your personal information with third parties where required by law, where it is necessary to administer the working relationship with you or where we have another legitimate interest in doing so.

All our third-party service providers are required to take appropriate security measures to protect your personal information in line with our policies. We do not allow our third-party service providers to use your personal data for their own purposes. We only permit them to process your personal data for specified purposes and in accordance with our instructions.

Any third parties with whom we might share your personal information and the basis on which we do so are detailed in the Schedule to this notice.

Data security

We have put in place appropriate security measures to prevent your personal information from being accidentally lost, used or accessed in an unauthorised way, altered or disclosed. In addition, we limit access to your personal information to those employees, agents, contractors and other third parties who have a business need to know. They will only process your personal information on our instructions and they are subject to a duty of confidentiality. Details of these measures may be obtained from Caroline Quick.

We have put in place procedures to deal with any suspected data security breach and will notify you and any applicable regulator of a suspected breach where we are legally required to do so.

Data retention

We will only retain your personal information for as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes we collected it for, namely for the purposes of the recruitment exercise. Details of retention periods for different aspects of your personal information are set out in the Schedule to this notice.

In some circumstances we may anonymise your personal information so that it can no longer be associated with you, in which case we may use such information without further notice to you.

If we wish to retain your personal information on file, on the basis that a further opportunity may arise in future and we may wish to consider you for that, we will write to you separately, seeking your explicit consent to retain your personal information for a fixed period on that basis.

Your rights in connection with personal information

Under certain circumstances, the law grants you specific rights. These are summarised below. Please note that your rights may be limited and subject to restrictions in certain situations:

- Request access to your personal information (commonly known as a "data subject access request"). This enables you to receive a copy of the personal information we hold about you and to check that we are lawfully processing it.
- **Request correction** of the personal information that we hold about you. This enables you to have any incomplete or inaccurate information we hold about you corrected.
- Request erasure of your personal information. This enables you to ask us to delete or remove personal information where there is no good reason for us continuing to process it. You also have the right to ask us to delete or remove your personal information where you have exercised your right to object to processing (see below).
- Object to processing of your personal information where we are relying on a legitimate
 interest (or those of a third party) and there is something about your particular situation
 which makes you want to object to processing on this ground. You also have the right to
 object where we are processing your personal information for direct marketing purposes.
- Request the restriction of processing of your personal information. This enables you to ask us to suspend the processing of personal information about you, for example if you want us to establish its accuracy or the reason for processing it.
- Request the transfer of your personal information to another party.

If you want to review, verify, correct or request erasure of your personal information, object to the processing of your personal data, or request that we transfer a copy of your personal information to another party, please contact Caroline Quick.

No fee usually required

You will not have to pay a fee to access your personal information (or to exercise any of the other rights). However, we may charge a reasonable fee if your request for access is unfounded or excessive. Alternatively, we may refuse to comply with the request in such circumstances.

What we may need from you

We may need to request specific information from you to help us confirm your identity and ensure your right to access the information (or to exercise any of your other rights). This is another appropriate security measure to ensure that personal information is not disclosed to any person who has no right to receive it.

Right to withdraw consent

In any circumstances where you may have provided your consent to the collection, processing and transfer of your personal information for a specific purpose, you have the right to withdraw your consent for that specific processing at any time. To withdraw your consent, please contact Caroline Quick. Once we have received notification that you have withdrawn your consent, we will no longer process your information for the purpose or purposes you originally agreed to, unless we have another legitimate basis for doing so in law.

Complaints to the ICO

You have the right to make a complaint at any time to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), the UK supervisory authority for data protection issues.

Schedule

Category of personal data	Disclosure recipients	Purpose of processing	Legal basis of processing	Assessment of employees' interests	Time limit for deletion
Information included in CV and covering letter	Caroline Quick Manager of the relevant appointing department	To assess your skills, qualifications and suitability for the role To carry out background checks and reference checks To keep records related to our hiring processes To determine whether or not to shortlist you for the role To determine whether or not to offer you the position	Necessary in order to take steps at your request prior to potentially entering into a contract with you Necessary for the legitimate interests of the organisation	It is in our legitimate interests to appoint the most suitable candidate to the role applied for The impact on your personal rights and freedoms is very low and the processing is in your interests, since it is to your benefit if your application is successful	Unsuccessful: six months following a decision on your application, unless we have notified you we would like to retain your records for longer in case of future positions becoming available Successful: six years after employment ceases
Information included in the application form including name, title, address,	Caroline Quick	To assess your skills, qualifications and suitability for the role	Necessary in order to take steps at your request prior to potentially entering into a contract with you	It is in our legitimate interests to appoint the most suitable	Unsuccessful: six months following a decision on your application,

telephone number, e-mail address, date of birth, gender, employment history and qualifications	Manager of the relevant appointing department	To carry out background checks and reference checks To communicate with you about the recruitment process To keep records related	Necessary for the legitimate interests of the organisation	candidate to the role applied for The impact on your personal rights and freedoms is very low and the processing is in your interests, since it is to your benefit if	unless we have notified you we would like to retain your records for longer in case of future positions becoming available
		to our hiring processes To determine whether or not to shortlist you for the role To determine whether or not to offer you the position To prepare an offer of employment for you		your application is successful	Successful: six years after employment ceases
Information provided in interview	Caroline Quick Manager of the relevant appointing department	To assess your skills, qualifications and suitability for the role To carry out background checks and reference checks	Necessary in order to take steps at your request prior to potentially entering into a contract with you Necessary for the legitimate interests of the organisation	It is in our legitimate interests to appoint the most suitable candidate to the role applied for The impact on your personal rights and freedoms is very low	Unsuccessful: six months following a decision on your application, unless we have notified you we would like to

		To keep records related to our hiring processes To determine whether or not to shortlist you for the role To determine whether or not to offer you the position		and the processing is in your interests, since it is to your benefit if your application is successful	retain your records for longer in case of future positions becoming available Successful: six years after employment ceases
References	Caroline Quick Manager of the relevant appointing department	To assess your skills, qualifications and suitability for the role To carry out background checks and reference checks To keep records related to our hiring processes To determine whether to proceed with the offer to appoint you to the role	Necessary in order to take steps at your request prior to potentially entering into a contract with you Necessary for the legitimate interests of the organisation	It is in our legitimate interests to appoint the most suitable candidate to the role applied for The impact on your personal rights and freedoms is very low and the processing is in your interests, since it is to your benefit if your application is successful	Unsuccessful: six months following a decision on your application Successful: six years after employment ceases

Category of special category data	Disclosure recipients	Purpose of processing	Legal basis of processing	Assessment of employees' interests	Time limit for deletion
Information provided in the course of your application concerning health issues affecting your ability to work with Forest Produce	Caroline Quick Manager of the relevant appointing department	To consider any workplace adjustments that might be necessary in the event of your application being successful To identify whether any adjustments might be necessary to the recruitment process	Necessary in order to take steps at your request prior to potentially entering into a contract with you Necessary for the legitimate interests of the organisation Necessary for the purposes of performing or exercising obligations or rights imposed or conferred by law	It is in our legitimate interests to appoint the most suitable candidate to the role applied for The impact on your personal rights and freedoms is very low and the processing is in your interests, since it is to your benefit if your application is successful	Unsuccessful: six months following a decision on your application Successful: six years after employment ceases