

# PERSONAL DATA PROCESSING POLICY

## **Networking.One Platform**

Service Provider: Advanced Engineering 3D Printers LLC

Registered: Georgia

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## 1. Introduction

This Personal Data Processing Policy describes how Networking. One handles user data in accordance with:

- GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation).
- UK Data Protection Act 2018.
- PECR (Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulations).

This policy is an internal operational document publicly available for transparency. It complements our <u>Privacy Policy</u>, <u>Cookie Policy</u>, and <u>End User License Agreement</u>.

# 2. Core principles

#### What makes us different:

- No third-party analytics We do NOT use Google Analytics, Facebook Pixel, Mixpanel, Amplitude, or any external tracking tools.
- No data sharing We never sell, share, or transfer user data to third parties for marketing or advertising.
- No profiling We do not use data for behavioral profiling, personalized ads, or algorithmic targeting.
- **Explicit consent only** All data processing is based on clear user consent.
- Essential cookies only We use only technical/functional cookies required for the platform to work.
- Internal analytics only Usage data is collected exclusively through our own systems for technical improvements (bug fixes, performance optimization).

## 3. Roles and responsibilities

### 3.1. Data Protection Officer (DPO)

- Ensures compliance with GDPR, UK DPA 2018, PECR.
- Handles user data requests (access, rectification, deletion, portability).
- Coordinates with supervisory authorities if required.
- Contact: privacy@networking.one.

## 3.2. Security administrator / Tech lead

- Implements and maintains technical security measures.
- Manages encryption, access controls, backups.
- Monitors system integrity and responds to security incidents.
- Conducts quarterly security reviews.

#### 3.3. Platform administrators

- Manage user accounts with role-based access.
- Process data deletion requests.
- Provide technical support.

## 3.4. Marketing / Support team

- Handles marketing communications with explicit user consent.
- Processes unsubscribe requests immediately (within 24 hours).
- Maintains suppression lists to prevent unwanted emails.

**For seed-stage:** These roles may be combined and assigned to founders, CTO, or senior team members.

## 4. Technical security measures

We implement industry-standard security to protect user data:

## 4.1. Encryption

- In transit: TLS 1.3 or higher.
- At rest: AES-256 encryption for all stored data.
- All database connections are encrypted.

#### 4.2. Access Control

- Role-Based Access Control (RBAC): Users/admins have minimum necessary permissions.
- Two-Factor Authentication (2FA): Required for all administrative access.
- Audit logs: All access to personal data is logged and retained for 12 months.

### 4.3. Backups

■ Daily automated backups with geographic redundancy.

■ Retention: Backups kept for 90 days/

■ **Testing:** Backup restoration tested quarterly.

## 4.4. Monitoring

■ **24/7 automated monitoring** of system integrity.

- Intrusion Detection System (IDS) to detect suspicious activity.
- Security patches applied within 7 days of release for critical vulnerabilities.

### 4.5. Infrastructure

- Secure hosting with reputable providers compliant with ISO 27001 / SOC 2.
- Network segmentation to isolate sensitive data.
- Regular security audits (quarterly internal, annual independent).

# 5. User rights (GDPR Articles 15-22)

Users have the following rights regarding their personal data:

## 5.1. Right to access (Art. 15)

Request a copy of all personal data we hold.

Response time: Within 30 days.

## 5.2. Right to rectification (Art. 16)

Correct inaccurate or incomplete data.

Response time: Within 7-30 days.

## 5.3. Right to erasure / "Right to be Forgotten" (Art. 17)

Request deletion of all personal data (subject to legal retention requirements).

Response time: Within 30 days.

## 5.4. Right to restrict Processing (Art. 18)

Limit how we process data while verifying accuracy or resolving disputes.

Response time: Within 30 days.

## 5.5. Right to data portability (Art. 20)

Receive data in a machine-readable format (CSV or JSON).

Response time: Within 30 days.

## 5.6. Right to object (Art. 21)

Object to processing for direct marketing (unsubscribe).

Response time: Immediate (within 24 hours).

## 5.7. Right to withdraw consent

Withdraw consent at any time without penalty.

**Effect:** Immediate cessation of processing based on that consent.

**How to exercise rights:** Email privacy@networking.one with your request. We verify identity before processing.

## 6. Consent management

## **6.1. Explicit Consent Required**

We obtain clear, affirmative consent for:

- Creating an account and processing account data.
- Sending marketing communications.
- Processing contact data uploaded by users.
- Using functional cookies.

#### 6.2. How we obtain consent

- Checkboxes (no pre-ticked boxes).
- Clear language explaining what data is collected and why.
- Separate consents for different purposes (account vs. marketing).
- Consent records stored with timestamp, IP address, method, and policy version.

### 6.3. Consent renewal

- Marketing consent: Renewed every 24 months.
- Cookie consent: Renewed every 12 months.
- Users are notified before renewal and can opt out.

#### 6.4. Withdrawal

Users can withdraw consent at any time via:

- Account settings.
- Unsubscribe links in emails.
- Email to <u>privacy@networking.one</u>.

## 7. Data Retention

We retain data only as long as necessary:

| Data Type                    | Retention Period        | Reason                        |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Active account data          | While account is active | Service provision             |
| After account closure        | Up to 2 years           | Legal/contractual obligations |
| Financial records (invoices) | 7 years                 | Tax law compliance            |
| Backups                      | 90 days                 | Disaster recovery             |
| Marketing suppression lists  | 2 years                 | Prevent unwanted emails       |
| Security logs                | 12 months               | Security monitoring           |

**Automatic deletion:** After retention periods expire, data is permanently deleted and cannot be recovered.

## 8. Cookies

### 8.1. What Cookies We Use

Only essential/functional cookies:

- Authentication: Keep users logged in.
- Security: Protect against malicious activity.
- Session management: Maintain platform state.
- **Preferences:** Remember language and settings.

## 8.2. What We DO NOT Use

- X Analytics cookies (Google Analytics, etc.).
- X Marketing cookies (retargeting, ads).
- X Social media tracking pixels.
- X Third-party cookies.

Full details: Cookie Policy.

# 9. Marketing communications (PECR Compliance)

### 9.1. Consent required

We send marketing emails only with explicit user consent (except for "soft opt-in" for existing customers about similar products).

#### 9.2. Unsubscribe

- One-click unsubscribe link in every email.
- Processing time: Immediate (within 24 hours maximum).
- Confirmation email sent after unsubscribing.

## 9.3. Suppression lists

- Users who unsubscribe are added to suppression lists.
- Lists checked before every marketing send.
- Retained for 2 years to prevent re-contact.

### 9.4. Preference centre

Users can manage:

- Email frequency (weekly, monthly, never).
- Content types (product updates, events, newsletters).
- Channels (email only for now; future: SMS, in-app).

Access: Account settings or link in marketing emails.

# 10. Security incident response

If a security incident or data breach occurs:

### 10.1. Detection and containment (0-24 hours)

- Immediate investigation by Security Admin/DPO.
- Isolate affected systems.
- Assess scope and severity.

#### 10.2. Notification (Within 72 hours)

- If high risk to user rights: Notify affected users without undue delay.
- If required by GDPR Art. 33: Notify supervisory authority within 72 hours.
- **Communication:** Email to affected users explaining what happened, what data was. affected, and what we're doing.

### 10.3. Remediation (7 days)

- Fix vulnerabilities.
- Restore services.
- Implement additional safeguards.

## 10.4. Post-incident review (30 days)

- Document lessons learned.
- Update security procedures.
- Train team on prevention.

Incident records retained for 7 years.

## 11. Staff training

## 11.1. Onboarding

All team members with access to user data complete:

- Basic GDPR/data protection training (online course or internal session).
- Security best practices (passwords, phishing, access controls).
- Confidentiality agreement signed.

### 11.2. Ongoing training

- Annual refresher: GDPR and security updates.
- Ad-hoc training: When policies change or new features launch.
- Incident training: After any security incident.

#### 11.3. Documentation

Training completion recorded with date and topics covered.

# 12. Third-party processors

We use a limited number of trusted service providers who may access user data to help us operate the Platform:

| Provider Type       | Purpose                                      | Compliance           |
|---------------------|--|----------------------|
| Hosting<br>provider | Infrastructure, servers                      | ISO 27001,<br>SOC 2  |
| Email service       | Transactional emails (password resets, etc.) | GDPR compliant       |
| Payment processor   | Subscription payments (if applicable)        | PCI-DSS<br>compliant |
| Support tools       | Customer service tickets                     | GDPR compliant       |

### All third-party processors:

Sign Data Processing Agreements (DPAs).

Comply with GDPR Article 28 requirements.

Are located in the EU/UK or have adequate safeguards (Standard Contractual Clauses).

Do NOT use data for their own purposes.

List updated: Quarterly

View current processors: Available on request at privacy@networking.one

### 13. International data transfers

Primary data location: European Union / United Kingdom

If data is transferred outside EU/UK:

- Only to countries with adequacy decisions (e.g., Canada, Japan, Switzerland).
- OR with Standard Contractual Clauses (SCCs) approved by the EU Commission.
- OR under other GDPR-compliant transfer mechanisms.

We do NOT transfer data to countries with no adequate protections.

## 14. User data requests (DSARs)

### 14.1. How to submit

Email <u>privacy@networking.one</u> with:

- Your name and registered email.
- Type of request (access, deletion, rectification, etc.).
- Identity verification (we may request additional info).

### 14.2. Processing

- Acknowledgment: Within 48 hours.
- Completion: Within 30 days (may extend to 60 days for complex requests).
- **Delivery:** Secure email with encrypted attachment or through account portal.

#### 14.3. No charge

Data subject requests are processed **free of charge** unless:

- The request is manifestly unfounded or excessive.
- Repeated requests for the same information.

## 15. Record keeping

We maintain the following records to demonstrate GDPR compliance:

## 15.1. Records of processing activities (ROPA)

- Categories of data processed.
- Purposes of processing.
- Legal bases (consent, contract, legitimate interest).
- Data retention periods.
- · Security measures.

**Updated:** Quarterly or when processing changes

#### 15.2. Consent records

- Timestamp of consent.
- IP address.
- Method of consent (checkbox, button click).
- Version of policy/consent text shown.

**Retained:** For duration of processing + 3 years

### 15.3. User request log

- Date request received.
- Type of request.
- Date completed.
- Outcome.

Retained: 3 years.

### 15.4. Incident log

- Date/time of incident.
- Nature and scope.
- Actions taken.
- Notifications sent.

**Retained:** 7 years.

## 16. Review and updates

## 16.1. Regular review

This policy is reviewed:

- Every 6 months (routine review).
- When laws change (GDPR amendments, new regulations).
- When the platform changes (new features, data processing).
- After incidents (to improve procedures).

### 16.2. Policy updates

If we make significant changes:

- 30 days advance notice to users.
- Email notification to all active users.
- Prominent notice on website/platform.
- Version number incremented.

Change log: Available at https://networking.one/data-processing-policy/changelog

# 17. Complaints and escalation

## 17.1. Internal Complaints

If you're unhappy with how we handle your data:

Email: privacy@networking.one

We investigate and respond within 30 days.

## 17.2. Supervisory authority

You have the right to lodge a complaint with:

**UK users:** 

Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)

Website: <a href="https://ico.org.uk">https://ico.org.uk</a> Phone: 0303 123 1113

EU users:

Your national data protection authority

List: https://edpb.europa.eu/about-edpb/board/members\_en

## 18. Contact information

#### **Data Protection Officer:**

Email: <a href="mailto:privacy@networking.one">privacy@networking.one</a>

Response time: Within 48 hours (business days)

#### **Service Provider:**

Advanced Engineering 3D Printers LLC

Registered in Georgia

Website: <a href="https://ae3dp.com">https://ae3dp.com</a>

General inquiries: <a href="mailto:support@networking.one">support@networking.one</a>

Legal matters: <a href="mailto:legal@networking.one">legal@networking.one</a>

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