

## Yummy Jobs Policy on the Secure Storage, Handling, Use, Retention and Disposal of Disclosures and Disclosure information.

Disclosure information is information contained in criminal record certificates under the Police Act 1997. The DBS Code of Practice sets out obligations for everyone participating in the Disclosure process and is intended to ensure that personal information is:

- Handled and stored appropriately
- Kept only for as long as necessary
- Used fairly and provides assurances to applicants.
- Yummy Jobs Ltd fully complies with the Code in using, storing, retaining and disposing of Disclosures and Disclosure information. Strict guidelines and controls ensure information is protected throughout the process.
- Yummy Jobs sends DBS applications directly to the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).
- Only authorised signatories have access to the application forms.
- As an organisation using the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) to help assess the suitability of applicants for
  positions in the hospitality industry where candidates come into direct contact with children and vulnerable adults,
  Yummy Jobs complies fully with the DBS Code of Practice regarding the correct handling, use, storage, retention
  and disposal of Disclosures and Disclosure information. It also complies fully with its obligations under the Data
  Protection Act 1998 and other relevant legislation pertaining to the safe handling, use, storage retention, and
  disposal of Disclosure information and has a written policy on these matters, which is available to those who wish
  to see it on request in this document.

## **Storage and Access**

Disclosure information is never kept on an applicant's file and is always kept separately and securely, in lockable, non-portable, storage containers with access strictly controlled and limited to those who are entitled to see it as part of their duties.

All electronic records of DBS certificates are deleted upon receipt.

An up-to-date list of registered countersignatories is available from Yummy Jobs.

## Handling

Disclosure information is only passed to those who are authorised to receive it in the course of their duties. We maintain a record of all those to whom Disclosures or Disclosure information has been revealed and we recognise that it is a criminal offence to pass this information to anyone that is not entitled to receive it.

A countersignatory (or other appropriately delegated person acting in his/her absence) is only allowed to disclose Disclosure information to another member of staff in the course of his/her duties.

Usage of Disclosure information is only used for the specific purpose for which it was requested and for which the applicant's full consent has been given.

**Retention** Once the certificate is sent to Yummy Jobs, we do not keep any additional information obtained during this process for any longer than is absolutely necessary (except the outcome). This is generally for a period of up to six months, to allow for the consideration and resolution of any disputes or complaints.

**Disposal** Once the retention period has elapsed, we will ensure that any Disclosure information is immediately suitably destroyed by secure means, i.e. by deleting from computer files, shredding, pulping or burning. While awaiting destruction, Disclosure information will not be kept in any insecure receptacle (e.g. waste bin or confidential waste sack).

We do not keep any photocopy or other image of the Disclosure or any copy or representation of the content of a Disclosure. However, notwithstanding the above, we may keep a record of the date of issue of a Disclosure, the name of the subject, the type of Disclosure requested, the position for which the Disclosure was requested, the unique reference number of the Disclosure and the details of the recruitment decision taken.