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Management of Photographs (Digital Assets) Checklist for Schools

Photographs can contain Personal Data and so management of them is important, legal and complicated ... but our simple checklist helps you to gain a snapshot of where you are now and what you need to consider next.

1. Storage

- ☐ Are all photographs stored in secure, encrypted storage systems, compliant with UK GDPR?
- ☐ Are encryption and data protection measures in place for data in transit and at rest?
- ☐ Is access to storage systems restricted to authorised personnel only?

2. Purpose and Use

- ☐ Are there policies and mechanisms to ensure photographs are used solely for the specified purposes?
- ☐ Is explicit consent obtained from parents/guardians/young people/staff for the use of their personal data in photographs?
- ☐ Is it easy for individuals to change or withdraw their consent?

3. Retention

- ☐ Are regular reviews conducted to ensure compliance with the retention policy?
- ☐ Is there a mechanism to track the age of stored photographs and flag those due for deletion?
- ☐ Are photographs deleted or anonymised after the retention period expires?

4. Locating Specific Items

- ☐ Are photographs catalogued and indexed for easy search and retrieval?
- ☐ Is there a process in place to quickly locate photographs containing Personal Data to fulfill Subject Access Requests (SARs)?



It is essential that you don't use images in ways for which you don't have legal rights. **Ecne**'s autoanonymisation of images is in line with live-time consents, ensuring you can use images with peace of mind.



Photographs containing Personal Data should be included in any SARs. Identifying photographs that contain PD and tagging them allows for quick usage in SARs etc. but also regular review.



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5. Derivative Materials

- ☐ Is the use of photographs in derivative materials documented and justified with proper authorisation?
- ☐ Is there a system to track all derivative materials containing photographs?
- ☐ Are obsolete or unnecessary derivative materials securely disposed of?

6. Auditing

- ☐ Are regular audits of digital assets (photographs) conducted to ensure compliance with data protection policies and regulations?
- ☐ Does each photograph have a full audit history of all processing activities?

7. Security and Privacy

- ☐ Are robust access controls in place to prevent unauthorised access to photographs?
- ☐ Do you have restricted access for staff that do not require access to image data assets?
- ☐ Are staff trained regularly on data protection principles and the importance of securing personal data?

8. Regulatory Compliance

- ☐ Is there a designated data protection officer (DPO) or equivalent responsible for overseeing data management practices?
- ☐ Are regular compliance checks conducted to ensure adherence to relevant data protection regulations (e.g., GDPR)?
- ☐ Are policies and procedures updated to reflect changes in regulations?



Photograph digital asset mapping is crucial for enhancing organisation, ensuring compliance and improving data compliance, thereby maximising visual data value and security.

Ecne creates a full digital asset map of your images.



It is very important that user rights are regularly reviewed in line with access control policies and adjusted according to their role's needs.