# Privacy Notice: SAM Learning Data & Privacy Policy

This privacy statement covers your use of the website and related services provided by SAM Learning Ltd ('SAM Learning'). Specifically, this policy sets out what data is collected, how that data is used, how it is kept secure and how long it is kept. It also outlines your rights to access your data and how to contact SAM Learning for more information.

## What data does SAM Learning require schools to share?

We require all schools to share learner first and last name, admission number, gender, date of birth, registration group, school year, unique pupil number (UPN) and classes. This data is needed in order to properly provision learner accounts as well as SAM Learning services.

In addition to the above data, a school may choose to share data on the following learner characteristics: ethnicity, free school meals status, FSM6 status, pupil premium status, special education needs status, looked after children status, and English as an additional language status. This data is needed to allow filtering and analysis based on these learner characteristics. Specifically, this includes advanced functionality as listed:

- School Intervention groups to be created, as requested by the school's senior leader
- Advanced learner data filters for progress-monitoring enabled
- Teacher/senior leader detailed customised reports enabled, including an intervention-focus report
- Teachers and senior leaders who wish to use SAM Learning are required to share their first and last name, job title, school role, email address, educational/subject interests and exam boards used. They are also linked to their timetabled classes data. This data is needed in order to properly provision teacher/admin accounts as well as SAM Learning services.

We also store the address and contact details of the school.

## How is this data gathered by SAM Learning?

Learner data is shared one of three ways over which the school has full control:

- A School Data Manager installing and authorising Groupcall XoD that, once set up, automatically syncs nightly to our secure servers by SSL 3.3/TLS 1.2 encryption (see Groupcall – GDPR Statement)
- A Senior Leader manually uploading a data file to our secure servers by SSL 3.3/TLS 1.2 encryption (see SAM Learning – Data Sharing Agreement)
- Teacher and senior leader data is either collected via Groupcall XoD or inputted manually by the user as part of their registration process.

## What is the lawful basis for storing this data?

This data is required for learners, teachers and senior leaders to be able to use the SAM Learning platform for Three-wave intervention support, revision, classroom use and homework, in accordance with the school's contractual agreement with SAM Learning.

## Where and how is this data stored?

The data is stored on SAM Learning's servers in data centres in Ireland, provided by Amazon Web Services (AWS). AWS data centres are compliant with the international information security standard, ISO 27001.

For more information about AWS's ISO 27001 certification, please [visit this webpage.](#)

For more information about AWS security, please [visit this webpage.](#)