

# Privacy Policy

## 1. Introduction

- 1.1 We are committed to safeguarding the privacy of our website visitors
- 1.2 This policy applies where we are acting as a data controller with respect to the personal data of our website visitors; in other words, where we determine the purposes and means of the processing of that personal data.
- 1.3 We will ask you to consent to our use of cookies in accordance with the terms of this policy when you first visit our website.
- 1.5 In this policy, "we", "us" and "our" refer to the Catholic Archives Society. For more information about us, see Section 12.

## 2. Credit

- 2.1 This document was created using a template from SEQ Legal (<https://seqlegal.com>).

## 3. How we use your personal data

- 3.1 In this Section we have set out:
  - (a) the general categories of personal data that we may process;
  - (b) the purposes for which we may process personal data; and
  - (c) the legal bases of the processing.
- 3.2 We may process data about your use of our website and services. This is known as "**usage data**". The usage data may include your IP address, geographical location, browser type and version, operating system, referral source, length of visit, page views and website navigation paths, as well as information about the timing, frequency and pattern of your service use. The source of the usage data is our analytics tracking system: google analytics. This usage data may be processed for the purposes of analysing the use of the website and services. The legal basis for this processing is our legitimate interests, namely monitoring and improving our website and services.
- 3.3 We may process information that you post for publication on our website or through our services ("**publication data**"). The publication data may be processed for the purposes of enabling such publication and administering our website and services. The legal basis for this processing is our legitimate interests, namely the proper administration of our website and business
- 3.4 We may process information contained in or relating to any communication that you send to us ("**correspondence data**"). The correspondence data may include the communication content and metadata associated with the communication. Our website will generate the metadata associated with communications made using the website contact forms. The correspondence data may be processed for the purposes of communicating with you and record-keeping. The legal basis for this processing is our legitimate interests,

namely the proper administration of our website and business and communications with users.

- 3.5 We may process any of your personal data identified in this policy where necessary for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims, whether in court proceedings or in an administrative or out-of-court procedure. The legal basis for this processing is our legitimate interests, namely the protection and assertion of our legal rights, your legal rights and the legal rights of others.
- 3.6 We may process any of your personal data identified in this policy where necessary for the purposes of obtaining or maintaining insurance coverage, managing risks, or obtaining professional advice. The legal basis for this processing is our legitimate interests, namely the proper protection of our business against risks.
- 3.7 In addition to the specific purposes for which we may process your personal data set out in this Section 3, we may also process any of your personal data where such processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation to which we are subject, or in order to protect your vital interests or the vital interests of another natural person.
- 3.8 Please do not supply any other person's personal data to us, unless we prompt you to do so.

#### **4. Providing your personal data to others**

- 4.1 We may disclose your personal data where such disclosure is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation to which we are subject, or in order to protect your vital interests or the vital interests of another natural person. We may also disclose your personal data where such disclosure is necessary for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims, whether in court proceedings or in an administrative or out-of-court procedure.

#### **5. Retaining and deleting personal data**

- 5.1 This Section sets out our data retention policies and procedure, which are designed to help ensure that we comply with our legal obligations in relation to the retention and deletion of personal data.
- 5.2 Personal data that we process for any purpose or purposes shall not be kept for longer than is necessary for that purpose or those purposes.
- 5.3 We will retain your personal data as follows:
  - (a) Usage Data will be retained for a minimum period of 1 month and for a maximum period of 12 months.
  - (c) Correspondence Data will be retained for the period of responding to an enquiry and no more than 7 years.
- 5.4 Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Section 5, we may retain your personal data where such retention is necessary for compliance with a legal

obligation to which we are subject, or in order to protect your vital interests or the vital interests of another natural person.

## **6. Amendments**

- 6.1 We may update this policy from time to time by publishing a new version on our website.
- 6.2 You should check this page occasionally to ensure you are happy with any changes to this policy.

## **7. Your rights**

- 7.1 You may instruct us to provide you with any personal information we hold about you; provision of such information will be subject to:
  - (a) the supply of appropriate evidence of your identity (for this purpose, we will usually accept a photocopy of your passport certified by a solicitor or bank plus an original copy of a utility bill showing your current address).
- 7.2 We may withhold personal information that you request to the extent permitted by law.

## **8. About cookies**

- 8.1 A cookie is a file containing an identifier (a string of letters and numbers) that is sent by a web server to a web browser and is stored by the browser. The identifier is then sent back to the server each time the browser requests a page from the server.
- 8.2 Cookies may be either "persistent" cookies or "session" cookies: a persistent cookie will be stored by a web browser and will remain valid until its set expiry date, unless deleted by the user before the expiry date; a session cookie, on the other hand, will expire at the end of the user session, when the web browser is closed.
- 8.3 Cookies do not typically contain any information that personally identifies a user, but personal information that we store about you may be linked to the information stored in and obtained from cookies.

## **9. Cookies that we use**

- 9.1 We use cookies for the following purposes:
  - (a) authentication - we use cookies to identify you when you visit our website and as you navigate our website.
  - (b) analysis - we use cookies to help us to analyse the use and performance of our website and services
  - (c) cookie consent - we use cookies to store your preferences in relation to the use of cookies more generally

## **10. Cookies used by our service providers**

- 10.1 Our service providers use cookies and those cookies may be stored on your computer when you visit our website.
- 10.2 We use Google Analytics to analyse the use of our website. Google Analytics gathers information about website use by means of cookies. The information gathered relating to our website is used to create reports about the use of our website. Google's privacy policy is available at:  
<https://www.google.com/policies/privacy/>.

## **11. Managing cookies**

- 11.1 Most browsers allow you to refuse to accept cookies and to delete cookies. The methods for doing so vary from browser to browser, and from version to version. You can however obtain up-to-date information about blocking and deleting cookies via these links:
- (a) <https://support.google.com/chrome/answer/95647?hl=en> (Chrome);
  - (b) <https://support.mozilla.org/en-US/kb/enable-and-disable-cookies-website-preferences> (Firefox);
  - (c) <http://www.opera.com/help/tutorials/security/cookies/> (Opera);
  - (d) <https://support.microsoft.com/en-gb/help/17442/windows-internet-explorer-delete-manage-cookies> (Internet Explorer);
  - (e) <https://support.apple.com/kb/PH21411> (Safari); and
  - (f) <https://privacy.microsoft.com/en-us/windows-10-microsoft-edge-and-privacy> (Edge).
- 11.2 Blocking all cookies will have a negative impact upon the usability of many websites.
- 11.3 If you block cookies, you will not be able to use all the features on our website.

## **12. Our details**

- 12.1 This website is owned and operated by the Catholic Archive Society.
- 12.3 You can contact us:
- (a) using our website contact form;
  - (b) by email, using the email address published on our website

## **13. Data protection officer**

- 13.1 Our data protection officer is the Catholic Archive Society Treasurer who can be contacted at [catholicarchivesociety@gmail.com](mailto:catholicarchivesociety@gmail.com)