

Personal data protection statement/Privacy statement for the European Railway Agency Database of Interoperability and Safety (ERADIS)

Any data collected or information aiming at submitting, validating and publishing interoperability and safety documents to ERA will be processed in accordance with Regulation (EC) 45/2001. This Regulation concerns the protection of individuals with regard to personal data provided to the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data. In compliance with Articles 11 and 12 of the Regulation, the ERA provides all Stakeholders internal to the EU institutions (ERA, EC) and external to them (rail sector representative bodies, national rail bodies/organisations, etc.) with the following information:

The Controllers¹ of the data are Heads Interoperability and Safety Units.

The data controllers of the Units mentioned above are responsible for the processing of interoperability and safety documents.

The documents accessible through this public database are issued by external stakeholders at national level. Consequently the Member States transposition measures of Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 1995 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data shall be applied.

What personal data do we collect, for what purpose, under which legal base?

The purpose of this database is to make publically available documents provided for by Directives 2004/49/EC and 2008/57/EC.

This public database includes personal data for different purposes:

1. Contact persons (name, address, phone number, e-mail and field of competence and fax numbers if relevant) of the relevant contact persons from rail sector representative bodies, national rail bodies/organisations involved
2. Name and possibly signature of the persons signing the licenses, EC declarations and safety certificates
3. Name of the person and possibly signature involved in the investigation process and some more personal data of the person(s) involved in the accidents may appear in the final accident reports sent by the Investigation Bodies

¹ Article 2(d) of Regulation (EC) 45/2001 defines the controller as follows: '[...] controller shall mean the Community institution or body, the Directorate-General, the unit or any other organizational entity which alone or jointly with others determines the purpose and means of the processing of personal data [...]'.

4. Some more personal data may appear in the annual reports submitted by the National Safety Authorities and Investigation Bodies

Who has access to your data and to whom are your personal data disclosed?

The data are made publically available through the ERADIS database.

Some categories of private data are only disclosed to the authorized Agency staff.

All recipients of the data are reminded of their obligation not to use the data received for any further purpose other than the one for which they were transmitted.

How do we safeguard and protect your data?

Free access to the public domain to read the data.

Restricted access with a username and a password to submit data to ERADIS.

Safety and Interoperability Units authorized staff has access to the database through login using their own user name and password. The password by default has to be changed regularly.

How can you verify, modify, block or delete your information?

Regulation (EC) 45/2001 safeguards your right to access your data and to require the Controllers to rectify, modify, block or delete without delay any inaccurate or incomplete personal data. You also have the right to require the Controller to erase data if the processing is unlawful. For this, you need to contact the data controllers, through the dedicated email address eradis@era.europa.eu.

The European Data Protection Supervisor (edps@erps.europa.eu) can be contacted at any time for any reason you may deem appropriate.

How long do we keep your data?

Period of storage: Lifetime of the ERADIS (The ERADIS is designed as a permanent internet tool - until the relevant legislation is changed).

Contact information

For any question relating to your rights, feel free to contact the Data Protection Officer of the Agency at DataProtectionOfficer@era.europa.eu.



Complaints

You have the right to recourse via the European Data Protection Supervisor ("edps" followed by "@edps.europa.eu") if you consider that your rights under Regulation 45/2001 have been infringed as a result of the processing of your personal data by the ERA.