



BCS Practitioner Certificate in Data Protection (2017)

Specimen Questions

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Record your surname/last/family name and initials on the Answer Sheet.

Specimen questions only.

Section A - 5 multiple-choice questions – 1 mark awarded to each question. Mark only one answer to each question. There are no trick questions.

Section B - 5 multiple-choice questions – 2 marks awarded to each question. Mark only one answer to each question. There are no trick questions.

A number of possible answers are given for each question, indicated by either **A. B. C. or D.** Your answers should be clearly indicated on the Answer Sheet.

Section C – 2 short answer questions

Answer both questions – each answer carries 5 marks.

There is no pass mark – these are specimen questions

This is a sample paper of specimen questions only.

A mock, or **sample exam of 20 MCQ and 6 short answer questions** is also available for purchase and includes answers

The full exam is 40 multiple choice and 12 short answer questions with a pass mark of 78/120 (65%).

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Candidate answer sheet 1 of 2

Surname (last/family): _____ Initials: _____

Please add your answer to the table below.

At the end of the BCS Practitioner Certificate in Data Protection specimen question test, check your answers against the answer key and marking scheme.

Question	Your Answer	Question	Your Answer
Section A		Section B	
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Candidate Answer Sheet 1 of 2

Question	Your short written answers
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End of Answer Sheet

Candidate Initials _____

Specimen questions

Section A

Multiple-choice answers – 1 mark each

Answer all 10 questions (Please use answer sheet provided for answers)

NOTE: Choose only one answer per question

- 1 Which of the following statements about Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights is FALSE?
- A It is part of UK law due to the enactment of the Human Rights Act 1998.
 - B It is about respect for private and family life.
 - C A public authority in certain circumstances can justifiably violate it.
 - D It is an absolute right which can never be violated by a public authority.
- 2 In the GDPR, what does the following statement describe?
- 'The controller shall be responsible for, and be able to demonstrate compliance with the data protection principles'
- A Accountability.
 - B Responsibility.
 - C Liability.
 - D Obligation.
- 3 Which ending to the following statement is CORRECT?
- A data processor could be held in breach of the GDPR if it...
- A Fails to train its staff who have access to personal data.
 - B Fails to take all reasonable steps to establish the appropriate level of security for the processing of personal data.
 - C Fails to follow the instructions of the data controller.
 - D Fails to keep a register of the processing it performs on behalf of a data controller.

- 4 Which of the following would be FALSE, when privacy information is supplied to a data subject whose data has **NOT** been obtained directly from them?
- A Notice must be given within one month of having obtained the data.
 - B If the data is to be used to communicate with the individual, at the latest, when the first communication takes place.
 - C No information is required to be given to the data subject.
 - D If disclosure to another recipient is envisaged, at the latest, before the data are disclosed.
- 5 What does **NOT** need be included in a personal data breach notification?
- A The nature of the personal data breach.
 - B The name and contact details of the Data Protection Officer.
 - C Costs associated with the breach.
 - D A description of the likely consequences of the personal data breach.

-End of Section A-

Section B

Multiple-choice answers – 2 marks each

Answer all 10 questions (Please use answer sheet provided for answers)

NOTE: Choose only one answer per question

- 6 Which pieces of legislation from the list below does the Information Commissioner's office cover?
- a) The GDPR.
 - b) Freedom of Information.
 - c) ISO 27001.
 - d) Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulations.
 - e) The Data Protection Act.
- A a, b, c and d only.
 - B a, b, c and e only.
 - C a, c, d and e only.
 - D a, b, d and e only.

7 A social media site is being launched in the UK to cater for the attitudes, values, perceptions, beliefs and behaviours of 14 year-old girls interested in fashion and music. The new service is keen to comply with the GDPR and wants to avoid any negative media coverage that some of its competitors has attracted. It has designed a Data Privacy Notice (DPN) explaining the legal rights and freedoms for data subjects. It relies on the consent of the parent and guardian in order to deliver the service.

What mistake (if any) has the social media site made?

- A No mistake as the consent of the data subject is not required in order to process personal data.
- B It has assumed it can rely on legitimate interest.
- C It should have pre-notified the ICO.
- D The DPN should be addressed to the data subject and consent should be obtained in order to process personal data.

8 According to the GDPR, under which of the following circumstances **SHOULD** a data protection impact assessment be required?

When...

- a) Systematic processing is based on automated means.
- b) Processing data relating to criminal convictions and offences.
- c) Carrying out analysis of individuals' use of consumer credit.
- d) Conducting large scale systematic monitoring of publicly accessible information.

- A b, c and d only.
- B a, c and d only.
- C a, b and d only.
- D a, b and c only.

9 The GDPR specifically states that security measures **SHOULD** be taken against which of the following?

- a) Damage to personal data.
- b) Unauthorised processing.
- c) Data leaving Europe.
- d) Unlawful processing.

- A a, b and d only.
- B b and c only.
- C c and d only.
- D a, c and d only.

- 10** Which of the following are TRUE in regards to the GDPR recitals?
- a) Recitals are enforceable under the GDPR.
 - b) The European Data Protection Board references the recitals to ensure that the GDPR is consistently applied across the European Union.
 - c) Recitals are important as they are in effect the explanation notes of the Articles in the GDPR.
 - d) Infringement of the recitals carries the same maximum financial penalty of 4% of global turnover or €20m, whichever is greater.
- A** a and d only.
B c and d only.
C b and d only.
D b and c only.

-End of Section B-

Section C

Short 'bullet point' type answers (making 5 distinct points) – 5 marks each
Answer all 6 questions
(Answer booklets provided)

- 11** Summarise briefly **five** of the lawfulness of processing conditions for processing personal data, under the GDPR.
[5 Marks]
- 12** From a GDPR perspective, identify **five** considerations for a HR department using automated profiling to filter through applicants for their vacancies.
[5 Marks]
- 13** Identify **five** things that the ICO CCTV Code of Practice covers under the Data Protection Act.
[5 Marks]

-End of Section C and of Specimen Question Test-

Answer key (no feedback)

Section A

Question No	Answer
1	D
2	A
3	D
4	C
5	C

Section B

Question No	Answer
6	D
7	D
8	C
9	A
10	D

Section C

Short 'bullet point' type answers (making 5 distinct points) – 5 marks each
Marking Guidelines

- 11** Summarise briefly **five** of the lawfulness of processing conditions for processing personal data, under the GDPR.

[5 Marks]

Award 1 mark (up to a maximum of 5 marks) for any of the phrases/words below that are found in the candidates' responses:

6(1)(a) – Consent of the data subject **[1 mark]**

6(1)(b) – Processing is necessary for the performance of a contract with the data subject or to take steps to enter into a contract **[1 mark]**

6(1)(c) – Processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation **[1 mark]**

6(1)(d) – Processing is necessary to protect the vital interests of a data subject or another person **[1 mark]**

6(1)(e) – Processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller **[1 mark]**

6(1)(f) – Necessary for the purposes of legitimate interests pursued by the controller or a third party, except where such interests are overridden by the interests, rights or freedoms of the data subject **[1 mark]**

Any other appropriate response or definition that is not listed above (which may be due to an update in case law). (Maximum 1 mark)

- 12 From a GDPR perspective, identify **five** considerations for a HR department using automated profiling to filter through applicants for their vacancies.

[5 Marks]

Award 1 mark (up to a maximum of 5 marks) for any of the phrases/words below that are found in the candidates' responses:

Have they got consent from the applicant to do this? **[1 mark]**

Can individuals:

- obtain human intervention **[1 mark]**
- express their point of view **[1 mark]**
- obtain an explanation of the decision and challenge it **[1 mark]**

Are appropriate safeguards in place:

- to ensure processing is fair and transparent by providing information about the logic involved **[1 mark]**
- consider using appropriate mathematical or statistical procedures for the profiling **[1 mark]**
- Implement appropriate technical and organisational measures **[1 mark]**

Any other appropriate response or definition that is not listed above (which may be due to an update in case law). (Maximum 1 mark)

- 13 Identify **five** things that the ICO CCTV Code of Practice covers under the Data Protection Act.

[5 Marks]

Award 1 mark (up to a maximum of 5 marks) for any of the phrases/words below that are found in the candidates' responses:

- Surveillance camera systems **[1 Mark]**
- Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) **[1 Mark]**
- Body worn video (BWV) **[1 Mark]**
- Unmanned aerial systems (UAS) **[1 Mark]**
- Other systems that capture information of identifiable individuals or information relating to individuals **[1 Mark]**

Any other appropriate response or definition that is not listed above (which may be due to an update in case law). (Maximum 1 mark)