

PRIVACY POLICY

Central Coast Group Training (CCGT) provides various services including recruitment and Placement of Apprentices and Trainees with participating Host Employers.

The purpose of this policy

We are bound by the Privacy Act and the Australian Privacy Principles (APPs) which regulate the collection, use and disclosure of *personal information*.

This Privacy Policy explains:

- the scope of our Privacy Policy;
- why we collect *personal information*;
- what *personal information* we collect;
- how we collect and use your *personal information*;
- how we disclose your *personal information*, including to overseas recipients;
- your right to access your *personal information*;
- your right to correct your *personal information*;
- how we protect the integrity of your *personal information*;
- your right to make a privacy complaint; and
- how you can contact us regarding privacy concerns.

We reserve the right to review, and if necessary, change this Privacy Policy. We will post changes to this Privacy Policy on our Website. This Privacy Policy is on our Website at the following link www.ccg.com.au.

Scope

This Privacy Policy governs all *personal information* collected by and provided to us and must be adhered to by all persons who access, use, process, control or otherwise deal with *personal information* on our behalf. This policy applies to independent contractors and job applicants, as well as individuals who provide us with their *personal information*.

What is *personal information*?

Personal information is any information that can be used to identify you. This includes any *personal information* or opinions about you, whether true or not, no matter how the information or opinions are recorded. The information may be collected from you directly or provided to us by another party.

Sensitive information is a special category of *personal information* and includes, but is not limited to, information about your health, race or ethnic origin, political or religious beliefs, membership of a trade union or association, or criminal record. *Health information* includes *personal information* collected from you in order to provide a health service. There are greater restrictions that apply to our collection, storage, use and disclosure of *sensitive information* under the Privacy Act.

Why do we collect *personal information*?

We collect *personal information* from you for the following purposes (Primary Purpose):

- a) to organise your work placement;
- b) for performance appraisals;
- c) to assess your ongoing performance and prospects;
- d) for testing or assessment purposes including medical tests and assessments where required;





- e) to identify your training needs;
- f) for workplace rehabilitation;
- g) managing complaints, investigations or inquiries;
- h) for insurance claims or proposals that require personal or sensitive information;
- i) information required for the Department of Education and Communities registrations for Australian Apprenticeships;
- j) for information to provide to your Host Employer;
- k) to lawfully carry out our functions and activities;
- l) to deliver the products and services that you requested;
- m) to provide you with further information about the products and services you requested;
- n) to personalise and customise your experiences with us;
- o) to help us review, manage and enhance our products and services;
- p) to communicate with you;
- q) for administration purposes, including charging, billing and collecting debts;
- r) to promote and market those of our other products and services which we consider may be of interest to you;
- s) when considering making offers to job applicants and prospective employees or for employment purposes; and
- t) to receive services from you or the organisation which employs you.

In addition to the Primary Purpose, we may use the *personal information* we collect and you consent to us using your *personal information* to:

- a) communicate with you, including by email, telephone and mail;
- b) manage and enhance products or your experience on our Website and domains;
- c) verify your identity;
- d) investigate any complaints about, or made by you, or if we have reason to suspect you have breached any relevant terms and conditions; and
- e) as required or permitted by any law.

Unless otherwise provided by law, we will not collect, hold, use or disclose *sensitive information* without your consent.

What *personal information* do we collect?

The nature and extent of *personal information* we collect varies depending on your particular interaction with us and the nature of our functions and activities.

Personal information that we commonly collect from you would include (but is not limited to):

- a) your name, position, date of birth;
- b) your address, email address, telephone numbers, gender, driver's licence number;
- c) your financial information including banking information, tax file number, superannuation details;
- d) your career history and references;
- e) your academic results from current or past studies; and
- f) We also collect information that is not *personal information*, such as data relating to your activity on our Website.

If you feel that the *personal information* we are requesting, at any point, is not information that you wish to provide, please feel free to raise this with us.

How do we collect *personal information*?

Generally, *personal information* is collected by us from a variety of sources, including government departments, Registered Training Organisations, when dealing with individuals, undertaking marketing initiatives, or when recruiting.



Personal information may be provided by you using our Website or by telephone, business cards, contracts, applications, competition entries, survey entries, mail or email, registration forms, face-to-face or in writing, whether verbally, in hardcopy or electronic format.

Where possible, we collect your *personal information* directly from you. In some circumstances we may obtain *personal information* from a third party.

If you provide *personal information* about another person to us, we require that you inform that person you have done so and provide them with a copy of this Privacy Policy and the Collection Notice.

If we receive unsolicited *personal information* about you that we could not have collected in accordance with this Privacy Policy and the Privacy Act, we will within a reasonable period, destroy or de-identify such information received.

Website and Google analytics

- Information we collect may include:
 - a) the internet protocol address and a component of the domain name used (e.g. .com or .net);
 - b) the type of browser and operating system you used;
 - c) the date and time you visited our Website;
 - d) the web pages or services you accessed at our Website;
 - e) the time spent on individual pages and our Website overall;
 - f) which files you downloaded; and
 - g) information about your computer and internet connections using cookies.
- We use Google analytics demographics and interest reports to obtain a more detailed understanding of our Website users and their potential needs. We do not collect *personal information* by such methods; only aggregate data is used for planning purposes.

How do we use your *personal information*?

We will only use and disclose your *personal information*:

- for purposes which are related to the Primary Purpose; or
 - if we otherwise get your consent to do so,
- in accordance with this Privacy Policy and the Privacy Act.

For purposes which are related to the Primary Purpose, we are required to use and disclose your *personal information* to the following organisations:

- potential and actual host employers and clients of CCGT;
- referees;
- CCGT Insurers;
- a government department (associated with apprentices and trainees), profession association or registration body that has a proper interest in the disclosure of your *personal information*;
- a workers' compensation authority;
- contractors and suppliers for example, IT contractors and database designers;
- Australian Apprenticeship Centre;
- Federal and State Government Departments who are required to receive information for the processing and recording of apprenticeship and trainee details; and
- an appropriate Registered Training Organisation.

We will not use your *personal information* for any purpose for which you would not reasonably expect us to use your *personal information*. Additionally, we will not disclose your *sensitive information* without your consent, unless there is a need to disclose such information in accordance with the Privacy Act or to comply with any other regulatory requirement.





We will only use or disclose your *personal information* for the purposes of direct marketing if:

- we collected the information from you;
- it is reasonable in the circumstances to expect that we would use or disclose the information for direct marketing purposes;
- we provide you with a simple means to 'opt-out' of direct marketing communications from us; and
- you have not elected to 'opt-out' from receiving such direct marketing communications from us.

You may opt out of receiving such communications by:

- a) clicking a link on the email communications sent to you;
- b) contacting our Privacy Officer; or
- c) writing to us at PO Box 3100, Tuggerah, NSW 2259.

What happens if you choose not to provide your *personal information*?

You are not obliged to give us your *personal information*. If you would like to access any of our services on an anonymous basis or using a pseudonym, we will take reasonable steps to comply with your request. However, we will require you to identify yourself if:

- we are required by law to deal with individuals who have identified themselves; or
- it is impracticable for us to deal with you if you do not identify yourself or elect to use a pseudonym.

Please also be aware that your request to be anonymous or to use a pseudonym may affect our ability to provide you with the requested goods and/or services. For example, we may not be able to progress a job application if you do not provide your *personal information*.

When do we disclose your *personal information*?

For the purposes referred to above in this Privacy Policy, you acknowledge and agree that we may disclose *personal information* and you consent to us disclosing such *personal information* to:

- a) our Affiliated Entities;
- b) third parties engaged by us to perform functions or provide products or services on our or their behalf, such as mail outs;
- c) for job applicants, your referees and former employers;
- d) our professional advisors, including our accountants, auditors and lawyers;
- e) persons authorised by you to receive information held by us; and
- f) any persons as required or permitted by law.

Do we send information overseas?

Please note we do not send information overseas.

Access to your *personal information*

If you require access to your *personal information*, please contact our Privacy Officer. You are required to put your request in writing and provide proof of your identity.

We are not obliged to allow access to your *personal information* if:

- a) we reasonably believe that giving access would pose a serious threat to the life, health or safety of any individual, or to public health or public safety;
- b) giving access would have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of other individuals;
- c) the request for access is frivolous or vexatious;
- d) the information relates to existing or anticipated legal proceedings between you and us and would not ordinarily be accessible by the discovery process in such proceedings;
- e) giving access would reveal our intentions in relation to negotiations with you in a way that would prejudice those negotiations;
- f) giving access would be unlawful;





- g) denying access is required or authorised by or under an Australian law or a court/tribunal order;
- h) we have reason to suspect that unlawful activity, or misconduct of a serious nature relating to our functions or activities has been, is being or may be engaged in and giving access would be likely to prejudice the taking of appropriate action in relation to the matter;
- i) giving access would be likely to prejudice one or more enforcement related activities conducted by, or on behalf of, an enforcement body; or
- j) giving access would reveal internal evaluative information in connection with a commercially sensitive decision-making process.

If you make a request for access to *personal information*, we will:

- respond to your request within a reasonable period; and
- if reasonable and practicable, give access to the information in the manner requested.

If we refuse to give access to the *personal information*, we will give you a written notice that sets out at a minimum:

- our reasons for the refusal (to the extent it is reasonable to do so); and
- the mechanisms available to complain about the refusal.

We reserve the right to charge you reasonable expenses for providing access to *personal information*, for example, a fee for photocopying any information requested by you.

Nothing in this Privacy Policy replaces other informal or legal procedures by which you can be provided with access to *personal information*.

Correction of your *personal information*

We request that you keep your *personal information* as current as possible. If you feel that information about you is not accurate or your details have or are about to change, you can call us on 02 4353 2655 and we will correct or update your *personal information*; or

If you make a request to correct your *personal information*, we will:

- respond to your request within a reasonable period; and
- if reasonable and practicable, correct the information in the manner requested.

If we refuse a request to correct *personal information*, we will:

- give you a written notice setting out the reasons for the refusal and how you may make a complaint; and
- take reasonable steps to include a statement with your *personal information* as to why we refuse to correct it.

We reserve the right to charge you reasonable expenses for making a correction to your *personal information*, for example, a fee for photocopying relevant information.

Nothing in this Privacy Policy replaces other informal or legal procedures by which you can correct *personal information*.

Integrity of your *personal information*

We will take reasonable steps to:

- ensure that the *personal information* that we collect is accurate, up to date and complete;
- ensure that the *personal information* that we hold, use or disclose is, with regard to the relevant purpose, accurate, up to date, complete and relevant; and
- secure your *personal information* while it is being held by us.





We will take reasonable steps to protect *personal information* from:

- misuse, interference and loss; and
- unauthorised access, modification or disclosure.

Electronic information is protected by various security measures (including encryption and password protection) and physical paper files are stored in a secure location. *Personal information* is de-identified where appropriate. Data protection includes the use of password access areas and secure servers.

You acknowledge that the security of communications sent by electronic means or by post cannot be guaranteed. We cannot accept responsibility for misuse, loss or unauthorised access to your *personal information* where the security of information is not within our control. If you suspect any misuse or loss of your *personal information* please contact us immediately.

We will take reasonable steps to destroy or de-identify any *personal information* held by us if we no longer need to hold the information for the purpose it was collected and we are not otherwise required by law to retain the information.

Complaints

If you have a complaint about how we collect, use, disclose, manage or protect your *personal information*, or otherwise consider there may be a breach of the Privacy Act or the APPs, please contact us in writing.

We treat all complaints seriously and intend to resolve your complaint within a reasonable timeframe, usually 14 days or otherwise as soon as practicable. However, in some complex cases, resolution may take longer.

Once the complaint has been received, we will try to resolve the matter in a number of ways:

- 1 **Request for further information:** We may request further information from you. You should be prepared to provide us with as much information as possible, including details of any relevant dates and documentation. This will enable us to investigate the complaint and determine an appropriate solution. All details provided will be kept confidential.
- 2 **Discuss options:** We will discuss options for resolution with you and if you have suggestions about how the matter might be resolved you should raise these with our Privacy Officer.
- 3 **Investigation:** Where necessary, the complaint will be investigated. We will try to do so within a reasonable time frame. It may be necessary to contact others in order to proceed with the investigation. This may be necessary in order to progress your complaint.
- 4 **Conduct of our employees:** If your complaint involves the conduct of our employees we will raise the matter with the employees concerned and seek their comment and input in the resolution of the complaint.

You are free to lodge a complaint directly with the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC) online, by mail, fax or email. For more information please visit the OAIC website at <http://www.oaic.gov.au/privacy/making-a-privacy-complaint>



Contact

Please forward all correspondence in respect of this Privacy Policy to the Privacy Officer, who can be contacted by mail, telephone or email as follows:

CCGT
3 Bounty Close
Tuggerah NSW 2259
Australia

P: 02 4353 2655
E: info@ccgt.com.au

Interpretation and Definitions

Personal pronouns: Except where the context otherwise provides or requires:

- the terms *we*, *us* or *our* refers to Central Coast Group Training and its Affiliated Entities (as appropriate); and
- the terms *you* or *your* refers to any person who provides us with *personal information*, whether via the Website or otherwise.

Defined terms: In this Privacy Policy unless otherwise provided, the following terms shall have their meaning as specified:

- **Affiliated Entities** means the Central Coast Group Training affiliates, subsidiaries, associated entities and relevant partners as the case may be or the context requires from time to time.
- **CCGT** means Central Coast Group Training Ltd ABN 37 002 520 176 of 3 Bounty Close Tuggerah NSW 2259.
- **Collection Notice** means the notification statement that is called a Collection Notice and can be found at the following link www.ccgt.com.au.
- **Privacy Act** means the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) as amended.
- **Privacy Policy** means this privacy policy as amended.
- **Website** means www.ccgt.com.au and that of its Affiliate Entities including its sub-domains (as appropriate).
- Terms italicised and defined in the Privacy Act have the meaning given to them in the Privacy Act.

Endorsed by the Board of Directors on 18th May 2019



CCGT Chairman



CCGT Senior Manager

