

## Buxton Mountain Rescue Team Data Privacy Policy

The Data Protection Act 1998 imposes rules and safeguards on those who hold and process personal data; i.e. data relating to living identifiable individuals. Details of usage must be notified to the United Kingdom Information Commissioner, with some exceptions, which include not for profit organisations whose usage is restricted to specific purposes.

Buxton Mountain Rescue Team is therefore exempt from notification but the principles setting out the rules and regulations do apply. As such members should know that members' names, postal and email addresses, phone numbers, details of mountain rescue courses and training attended, and relevant qualifications are stored electronically and on paper.

Contact data is held in order for team members to be able to communicate efficiently between themselves, and for information about mountain rescue matters to be circulated. Names and contact details of elected officers are also made available to the Peak District Mountain Rescue Organisation and to Mountain Rescue England and Wales in order for inter-team contact to take place.

The same information is also provided to St John Ambulance Brigade, of which the team is a Division. The brigade undertakes Criminal Records Bureau checks on behalf of the team and may also check any references provided by members or applicants for membership.

Written and electronically stored data will not be made public without the written consent of the individual concerned. The data will not be available for commercial purposes.

Submission of an application to join the team presumes acceptance of this policy.