



Home Office

## Organisations with access to LEDS

Name or organisation	Direct Access	Competent Authority*	Reason for access to LEDS
<b>Geographical police forces (UK)</b>			
Avon & Somerset	Yes	Yes Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA) Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Bedfordshire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Cambridgeshire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Cheshire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
City of London	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(7)	Law enforcement
Cleveland	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Cumbria	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Derbyshire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Devon & Cornwall	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Dorset	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Durham	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Essex	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Gloucestershire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Greater Manchester	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Hampshire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Hertfordshire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Humberside	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Kent	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Lancashire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Leicestershire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Lincolnshire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Merseyside	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement

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Metropolitan	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(6)	Law enforcement
Norfolk	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
North Yorkshire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Northamptonshire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Northumbria	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Nottinghamshire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
South Yorkshire	Yes	Yes DPA schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Staffordshire	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Suffolk	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Surrey	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Sussex	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Thames Valley	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Warwickshire	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
West Mercia	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
West Midlands	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
West Yorkshire	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Wiltshire	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Dyfed-Powys	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Gwent	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
North Wales	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
South Wales	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(5)	Law enforcement
Police Scotland (including national support systems)	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(9)	Law enforcement
Police Service of Northern Ireland	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(8)	Law enforcement

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<b>Non-geographic police</b>			
British Transport Police	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(10)	Law enforcement
Civil Nuclear Constabulary	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(11)	Law enforcement
Ministry of Defence Police	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(12)	Law enforcement
National Crime Agency (domestic and international)	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(24)	Law enforcement. Foreign law enforcement authorities can request information from the UN National Central bureau of Interpol within the NCA. Requests are risk-assessed before information is provided.
<b>Local Police (limited access)</b>			
Mersey Tunnels Police	Yes	No	Law enforcement; primarily enforcement of Mersey Tunnels by-laws and established under S105 County of Merseyside Act 1980
Port of Liverpool Police	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (16b)	Law enforcement; appointed under S14 Harbours Act 1964
Port of Tilbury Police	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (16c)	Law enforcement appointed under S154 Port of London Act 1968 not Harbours Docks and Piers Clauses Act 1947
<b>Policing oversight and inspections</b>			
Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary, Fire & Rescue Services	Yes	No	Audit of non-police organisation access to LEDS, checks of transactions undertaken.
Independent Office for Police Conduct	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (18)	Criminal Record checks in connection with independent or managed investigations into complaints against police, police staff, and other organisations that the IoPC has lawful oversight of. Vehicle checks in connection with IoPC investigations. Character checks on IoPC staff who appear in Court as witnesses.
College of Policing	Yes	No	Staff vetting and site security

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<b>Safeguarding and disclosure</b>			
Access NI	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (3)	To provide criminal conviction certificates under Part V of the Police Act 1997. Access NI is the equivalent to the Disclosure and Barring Service and Disclosure Scotland
ACRO Criminal Records Office - Hampshire Police	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (5)	To service requests for data for individuals or for organisations under data-sharing agreement
Children and Family Court Advisory and Support Service (CAFCASS)	Yes	No	CAFCASS is required to provide relevant information concerning those in its court proceedings. This can include whether parties have court convictions.
Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)	Yes	No	To provide criminal conviction certificates under Part V of the Police Act 1997.
Disclosure Scotland	Yes	No	To provide criminal conviction certificates under Part V of the Police Act 1997. Equivalent to the DBS and Access NI.
Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority	Yes	Yes Section 12 of the Gangmasters (Licensing) Act 2004, this engages DPA 30(1)b	To support the enforcement of criminal offences detailed in the Gangmasters (Licensing) Act 2004.
<b>Investigations and prosecutions</b>			
Competition and Markets Authority	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (29)	Investigations and prosecutions under the Enterprise Act 2002 and the Competition Act 1998. To investigate infringements of competition law by companies and individuals.
Service Police Crime Bureau (Royal Military Police)	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (14)	Investigates offences against military discipline
Trading Standards (national role)	Yes	No	PNC criminal conviction checks in relation to investigations and enforcement by Trading Standards Officers and other enforcement officers (TSOs).
Charities Commission for England & Wales	Yes	No	For the investigation of offences under the Charities Act 1993 and for the preparation of case papers as part of a prosecution under the Act
Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	Yes	No	Prosecutions and investigations for the prevention and detection of crime, specifically serious animal welfare-related crime.

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<b>Justice</b>			
Criminal Cases Review Commission	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (18)	To obtain record details for the purpose of assisting the Criminal Cases Review Commission during the course of an official investigation into suspected miscarriages of criminal justice in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.
<b>Travel infrastructure</b>			
Highways England	Yes	No	Enquiries to support the safety of Highways England traffic officers when attending an incident; to determine the registered keeper of vehicles abandoned on the motorway, to assist in determining whether the management of an incident should be handed over to the police. SISII data.
Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 30(1)(b)	DVSA is responsible for prosecuting various offences relating to the operation of heavy goods and public services vehicles, operators and drivers.
Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency	Yes	Yes Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 2002, Regulation 9A - engages DPA Schedule 30(1) b	To assist the identification of suspect/stolen vehicles, for targeting unlicensed/incorrectly licenced vehicles and to assist the police with their enquiries via the police liaison service.
National Ports Office - Met Police	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(6)	Checking names, vehicle and property enquiries to assist with the prevention and detection of crime.
National Air Traffic Services Ltd	Yes	No	National Security Vetting for prospective employees.
Marine Management Organisation	Yes	Yes. Responsibilities under Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009. DPA Schedule 30 (1)b	To assist in the investigation and enforcement of criminal offences with respect to fisheries, marine licensing and nature conservation legislation in England and the UK Marine area.

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<b>Health and social security</b>			
Cygnet Hospital, Clifton	No, via ACRO	No	CHC requires access for safeguarding of patients and the public. The hospital carries out medical assessment and treatment under the Mental Health Act 2007, which requires access to criminal convictions and forensic history of patients to assist in determining treatment pathway and community management in the interest of public protection.
National Health Service Counter Fraud Authority	Yes	Yes DPA Section 30 (1)(b)	Counter fraud investigations.
Health & Safety Executive	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (28)	To assist with investigations and prosecutions. To undertake on behalf of the Office of Nuclear Regulation check on witness and defendant.
Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency	Yes	Yes responsibilities for drugs law enforcement Schedule 30(1)(b) DPA	To assist with investigations into and prosecutions for illegal activity involving medicines.
<b>Postal Infrastructure security</b>			
Royal Mail	Yes	Yes DPA Section 30 (1)(b)	Assisting investigation of specific criminal offences; to carry out risk assessments for health and safety purposes on the identified occupants of premises/places of residence which are to be searched/or subject of an operation carried out by Royal Mail Group (RMG) Criminal Investigators.
<b>Environment</b>			
Environment Agency	Yes	Yes DPA Section 30 (1)(b)	Investigations and prosecutions related to environmental protection, pollution prevention and control, water resources, environment damage, wildlife protection and climate change
Natural Resources for Wales	Yes	Yes DPA Section 30 (1)(b)	Prevention and detection of crime and the apprehension of offenders. Identification and disruption of organised crime groups.
Scottish Environment Protection Agency	Yes	Yes DPA Section 30 (1)(b) DPA	To assist with the identification of vehicles and persons involved in investigations into the regulation and enforcement of the waste industry in Scotland.

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<b>Finance</b>			
Financial Conduct Authority	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(27)	Access for investigations and case preparations in relation to applications for authorisation, registration or approval, criminal proceedings for example fraud or money laundering; background checks and health and safety risk assessments for staff on visits.
HM Revenue & Customs	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (21)	Data will be used for intelligence purposes, investigation and the prosecution of offences within the Department's jurisdiction. Making disclosures to police forces of arrested persons, seized vehicles, information markers relating to suspected persons or vehicles and court outcomes, in accordance with the Commissioners of Revenue and Customs Act 2005; establishing any health and safety risks to its officers; as part of the process of establishing the integrity of witnesses as required under the Criminal Procedure and Investigation Act 1996; as part of the Government Security Vetting procedure.
Serious Fraud Office	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (25)	To obtain information in relation to the previous arrests, convictions, warnings, vehicle ownership, address and associations of persons of interest. The information obtained will be used in the development of intelligence, for the prevention and detection of serious crime and for the prosecution of alleged offenders.
<b>Government Departments and organisations</b>			
Cabinet Office	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (1)	National Security Vetting purposes and site security
Department for Work & Pensions	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (1)	To assist investigations and prosecutions under the Social Security Administration Act 1992, Fraud Act 2006 & Theft Act 1968
Houses of Parliament (Commons and Lords)	Yes	No	Security clearance for staff, contractors and journalists who have been authorised to work on the estate.
National Assembly Wales	Yes	No	Staff vetting and site security
Home Office	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (1)	Control of UK borders, including investigations into goods and individuals who are entering the UK. Data is used to identify visa/non visa nationals with criminal history in order to protect the public by potentially refusing entry of known offenders to the UK. National DNA Database, Home Office Warnings Index, UK Visas and Immigration



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<b>Commercial Organisations</b>			
Datatag ID Ltd	No	No	Forensic marking for vehicles, checks for stolen vehicles and plant
Live Stream Data Systems - (ANPR systems provider)	No	No	Prevention and detection of vehicle-based crime
HPI	No	No	Prevention and detection of vehicle-based crime
Experian	No	No	Prevention and detection of vehicle-based crime
The Gun Trade Association	No	No	Checks for stolen firearms
RetainaGroup	No	No	Prevention and detection of vehicle-based crime
Total Car Check limited	No	No	Prevention and detection of vehicle-based crime
UK Vehicle Limited	No	No	Prevention and detection of vehicle-based crime
Vehicle Information Services (CDL)	No	No	Prevention and detection of vehicle-based crime
Verisk Insurance Limited	No	No	Prevention and detection of vehicle-based crime
<b>Non-police prosecuting authority</b>			
Civil Aviation Authority	No, via ACRO	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (11)	Investigations and prosecutions
DEFRA - Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs	No, via ACRO	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (1)	Investigations and prosecutions
Department of Health and Social Care Anti-Fraud Unit	No, via ACRO	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (1)	Investigations and prosecutions
Eastern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority	No, via ACRO	Yes, responsibilities under Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 DPA Schedule 30(1)(b)	Investigations and prosecutions
Edmonds Marshall McMahon	No, via ACRO	No	Specialist private prosecution law firm offering services to companies and individuals
Food Standards Agency	No, via ACRO	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (31)	Investigations and prosecutions
Gambling Commission	No, via ACRO	Yes, responsibilities under Gambling Act 2005 DPA Schedule 30(1)(b)	Investigations and prosecutions

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Insolvency Service	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 30(1)(b)	Investigations and prosecutions under insolvency legislation
Maritime and Coastguard Agency	No, via ACRO	No	Investigations and prosecutions
Office of Communication	No, via ACRO	No	Investigations and prosecutions
Office of Rail Regulation	No, via ACRO	No	Investigations and prosecutions
Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	No, via ACRO	No	Investigations and prosecutions
Royal Borough Kensington and Chelsea Council	No, via ACRO	No	Investigations and prosecutions
Security Industry Authority	No, via ACRO	No	Investigations and prosecutions
TM Eye Ltd	No, via ACRO	No	Investigations and private criminal prosecutions
Prudential Regulation Authority – Bank of England	No, via ACRO	No	Investigations and prosecutions
Unregistered Schools Taskforce (UST) Ofsted	No, via ACRO	No	Investigations and prosecutions

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<b>Regulatory Body</b>			
Education Workforce Council	No, via ACRO	No	The service assists this regulatory body with its statutory duties
General Dental Council	No, via ACRO	No	The service assists this regulatory body with its statutory duties
General Optical Council	No, via ACRO	No	The service assists this regulatory body with its statutory duties
General Pharmaceutical Council	No, via ACRO	No	The service assists this regulatory body with its statutory duties
General Teaching Council Northern Ireland	No, via ACRO	No	The service assists this regulatory body with its statutory duties
Information Commissioner's Office	No, via ACRO	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (52)	The service assists this regulatory body with its statutory duties
Teaching Regulation Agency	No, via ACRO	No	The service assists this regulatory body with its statutory duties
Nursing & Midwifery Council	No, via ACRO	No	The service assists this regulatory body with its statutory duties
Social Care Wales	No, via ACRO	No	The service assists this regulatory body with its statutory duties
General Osteopathic Council	No, via ACRO	No	The service assists this regulatory body with its statutory duties
<b>Executive non-departmental public body</b>			
Judicial Appointments Commission	No, via ACRO	No	Sponsored by Ministry of Justice
The National Gallery	No, via ACRO	No	Security checks
Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner	No, via ACRO	No	Sponsored by the Home Office

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<b>Government department</b>			
Cabinet Office	No, via ACRO	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (1)	Background checks for honours and awards
Ministry of Justice	No, via ACRO	Yes DPA Schedule 7 (1)	Checking whether a person is eligible for jury service. Statistical Analysis Service, background checks for honours and awards
Her Majesty's Prison and Probation Service	Yes	Yes DPA Schedule 7(1) Part of Ministry of Justice	Prison access is provided for the purpose of undertaking formal risk assessments on serving inmates (for categorisation, the making of security arrangements for escorting inmates to court or as part of the Home office Curfew Scheme)
Office of the Biometrics Commissioner	No, via ACRO	No	Regulatory purposes
Archbishop of Canterbury	No, via ACRO	No	Background checks for honours and awards
<b>International Organisations</b>			
Guernsey Police	Yes	No	Law enforcement
Isle of Man Police	Yes	No	Law enforcement
States of Jersey Police	Yes	No	Law enforcement
Jersey Customs and Immigration Service	Yes	No	Enforcement of the Customs and Excise (Jersey) Law 1999, Immigration Act 1971, Misuse of Drugs (Jersey) Law 1978, the Terrorism (Jersey) Law 2002, the Police Procedures and Criminal Evidence (Jersey) Law 2003 and the Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Jersey) Law, 2005.
Jersey Financial Services Commission	Yes	No	To assist investigations and prosecutions relating to the financial services industry.
US Embassy	No, via ACRO	No	Building access and employment checks. (Not checks on UK citizens travelling to USA.)

\*Competent authorities are organisations with legally delegated or invested authority, or power to perform a designated function, in this case, in relation to law enforcement.