

# Brunel Cyber & Privacy:

## Top tips when handling data

DE-STRESS when handling, processing or sending personal data

**Data Encryption** - for sensitive, personal, and valuable University information

**STOP** - Do I really need to send this data and all its content? Can I share the document from OneDrive? If an entire email thread is not required, delete the unneeded communications. Data minimisation is one of the keys to controlling the possibility of a data breach.

**THINK** - Have I added the correct **information security classification** in the subject line? (Protect, University Confidential).

**REVIEW** - Am I sending this to the right people? Check the recipient email addresses, are they all correct, do they all need to be included or copied to. Double-check the recipient, every time. Especially when forwarding or replying to a UNIVERSITY CONFIDENTIAL email.

**ENCRYPT** - Put the personal information content into a word or excel document and password protect it, then include the attachment - **DO NOT SEND THE PASSWORD IN THE SAME EMAIL**

**SURE** - Are you sure you need to send this email, is it correct? - The number of recipients for a UNIVERSITY CONFIDENTIAL email should be as limited as possible and only sent to those parties that have a requirement for this information. Please try not to send such emails to group email addresses – send them to named individuals.

**SEND** - All checked - Take Five and SEND!

**STOP**

Take a moment to think before storing or transmitting data



**CHECK**

Could it be fake? It's ok to reject, refuse or ignore a request by verifying first.



**PROTECT**

Classify and store data according to its value. Ensure access to the data is protected.

**WE CARE, HANDLE OUR DATA WITH CARE**

