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Lidl Plus Data Protection Notice

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1. Overview

Lidl Plus is a loyalty programme (the "**Service**" or "**Lidl Plus**") that offers you deals and discounts tailored to your interests from the companies of the [Lidl Group](#) and selected partners.

You can use Lidl Plus by registering for selected online services of the Lidl Group ("**Online Services**", e.g. online stores, click and collect service, apps). Please note that some functionalities are only available via the **Lidl App**. For example, you must identify yourself with the Lidl App at the checkout so that your purchases in Lidl stores are assigned to your Lidl Plus profile.

2. Contact details of the Data Controller and the Data Protection Officer

Unless otherwise stated below, Lidl Stiftung & Co. KG with registered offices in Stiftsbergstraße 1, 74172 Neckarsulm, Germany ("**Lidl Stiftung**", "**we**", "**us**") is the Data Controller for the processing of your personal data in the context of Lidl Plus.

Lidl Stiftung's Data Protection Officer can be contacted at the above postal address or at privacy@lidlplus.com.mt.

3. Processing purposes, legal bases and recipients

3.1 Registration for Lidl Plus and account management

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

Once you have registered, you can use Lidl Plus in all connected Online Services with the same user name and password and access your customer master data, shopping history and Lidl Plus functions in your Lidl Plus account.

The following data is processed when **registering for Lidl Plus**:

- First name,
- Date of birth,
- Email address,
- Mobile phone number,
- Password,
- Gender (optional).

We need your date of birth, as participation in Lidl Plus requires a minimum age of 18 years (see Section 2 of the Terms and Conditions Lidl Plus) and for certain products (e.g. alcoholic beverages) age limits under youth protection laws must be taken into account.

You can also choose to enter your address and surname in your Lidl Plus account. However, providing this data is mandatory for specific functions.

You have the option to register for Lidl Plus using your Google account ("Google Login"). By selecting this option, your Google account will be linked to your Lidl Plus account, allowing you to authenticate and log in to our Services seamlessly.

Should you subsequently wish to revert to the standard Lidl Plus login method rather than using Google Login, the authentication process will be facilitated via a one-time password (OTP) sent to you by SMS or e-mail.

Upon utilizing the Google Login feature, the following data will be transmitted to us from your Google account:

- First name, last name
- Email address
- Profile picture

Furthermore, depending on the privacy settings of your Google account, the following data may also be transmitted:

- Gender
- Telephone number
- Date of birth

If you have registered for Lidl Plus in the Lidl App, we will also process data on your preferred store. In addition to the above-mentioned data, we receive information from the Online Service you use – if available – about the payment methods stored there and your purchase and order history. You can access this data in your Lidl Plus account. You can find out which Online Services transfer your payment history to your Lidl Plus account in the Online Services' data protection notice.

We process the data collected during registration for the following specific purposes:

- Communicating with you,
- Verifying your identity as the account holder (e.g. when resetting the password),
- Uniquely assigning your purchase and usage behaviour to your customer profile.

We also use your email address to send you a notification when your account is accessed via a new device.

The legal basis for this is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR, i.e. we process the above-mentioned data on the basis of the contractual relationship between you and us.

The following data is processed to secure the registration/login procedure:

- Email address or mobile phone number,
- IP address,
- Mouse movements,
- Length of time spent on the registration page,
- Online identifiers such as device ID,

- Browser details (browser name and version),
- Name and version of the operating system of the device on which the browser is installed,
- Network-based location of your device when you log in,
- Date and time of the registration/login attempt,
- Information on whether registration/login attempts were successful.

If you wish to use our Lidl Pay payment service (see [Section 3.11](#) below), "two-factor authentication" will be integrated into the login process with your consent. When you register for your Lidl Plus account, a verification code will be sent to the mobile phone number or e-mail address you registered with. This ensures that only you can access your account, even if your password becomes known to third parties. Two-factor authentication can be deactivated at any time via our customer service. In such cases, it will no longer be possible to use Lidl Pay.

The legal basis for the above-mentioned data processing is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter f) GDPR. Our legitimate interest is based on the purposes of data processing described above.

Recipients/categories of recipients

If you log in to Online Services as a Lidl Plus user, we pass on to the respective operator of the Online Service the data required to provide the Service you have requested. These data vary depending on the offer and can include:

- Login data (e.g. email address, password, mobile phone number),
- Master data (e.g. name, address, date of birth),
- Stored payment methods,
- Information stored in the "About me" section.

We also pass on your customer master data to those companies in the Lidl Group that you contact in the context of customer service enquiries.

Please note that when you use the Google Login functionality, the fact that you have logged in to Lidl Plus, along with the precise date and time of each login event, will be automatically transmitted to Google LLC (1600 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View, California 94043, USA). We have no influence over the processing and use of the data by Google. Further information about data processing by Google can be found here: <https://policies.google.com/privacy>.

3.2 Use of cookies and similar technologies to process usage data

The use of cookies and similar technologies for processing usage data (in particular, local storage) involves storing files locally on your device (laptop, tablet, smartphone, or similar devices) when you visit our website (accounts.lidl.com). Please note that this specific web environment is dedicated to the registration and login procedures for your Lidl Plus account.

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

Depending on their specific category, the use of cookies and similar technologies for processing usage data pursues the following purposes:

- **Technically necessary:** These are cookies and similar technologies that are indispensable for the proper functioning and use of our Online Services. They are required, for example, to ensure the correct display of the website (including fonts and colours), to provide the functionalities you have explicitly requested, to remember your settings (such as cookie preferences), and to keep your session active within the login area. Furthermore, they are essential for ensuring the security of the entire registration and login process.
- **Statistics:** These technologies enable us to generate pseudonymised or anonymised statistics regarding the use of our Online Services. Such analyses allow us, for example, to evaluate the website's performance and continuously optimise its structure and content, better tailoring them to users' browsing habits and preferences.

The legal basis for the use of technically necessary cookies is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR. Regarding the use of statistical cookies, you have the right to freely provide your consent (as well as to withdraw it at any later time). The legal basis for this is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter a) GDPR. More detailed information is available in our [cookie policy](#).

Storage period/criteria for determining the storage period

The storage period for cookies can be found in our [cookie policy](#). If "persistent" is specified in the "lifespan" column, the cookie is stored permanently until the corresponding consent is withdrawn.

Recipients/categories of recipients

As part of the data processing using cookies and similar technologies to process usage data, we rely on the support of specialized service providers. They process your data on our behalf as data processors, are carefully selected and contractually bound in accordance with article 28 GDPR. Please note that all third-party companies listed as providers in our [cookie policy](#) act on our behalf as data processors.

3.3 Customer service enquiries and goodwill decisions

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

When you contact the customer service department or the customer service chatbot of a Lidl Group company, we use the data that you provide to us in this context. We also process your customer master data in order to determine your participation in the Lidl Plus programme and to be able to take the associated benefits into account.

If you place orders in our Online Services as a Lidl Plus customer, we also process the information from the respective Online Service in order to be able to make a decision on the granting of benefits. Specifically, we check whether we can provide you with further services to which you have no legal entitlement (e.g. issue of coupons).

The legal basis for this processing is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR, i.e. we process the above-mentioned data on the basis of the contractual relationship between you and us.

Recipients/categories of recipients

We pass on your customer master data and other required information to those Lidl Group companies with whom you contact in the context of customer service enquiries. In the context of goodwill services, we pass on information to the respective Lidl group company that enables such a decision to be made.

3.4 Store visits

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

If you use Lidl Plus, you can identify yourself at the till when you visit a store. In this case, we collect the following data:

- The store you have visited,
- The products you have purchased or returned by type, quantity and price,
- The coupons and vouchers you have redeemed,
- The purchase receipt amount,
- The time of the payment transaction and which means of payment you used.

When making purchases in Lidl stores, you can collect digital points and exchange them for reward coupons in Lidl Plus. The points collected are assigned to your customer number for the reward exchange. Product returns are also taken into account when calculating the points balance.

The legal basis for this is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR, i.e. we process the above-mentioned data on the basis of the contractual relationship between you and us.

In order to prevent economic damage to Lidl Group companies, we analyse your purchasing behaviour for fraud prevention purposes. In particular, we analyse whether and how often items are returned. The legal basis for this is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter f) GDPR. Our legitimate interest is based on the purposes of processing described above.

In the event of product recalls, we will check whether you have purchased the affected product so that we can inform you of the recall. This processing is carried out to protect your health (Article 6, paragraph 1), letter d) GDPR) and because we have a legitimate interest in informing you of any product recalls (Article 6, paragraph 1, letter f) GDPR).

3.5 Determining your product interests and personalised advertising approach

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

In Lidl Plus, we determine which products, promotions and services could potentially be of interest and relevance to you. This is done in particular on the basis of the following data:

- Store purchases (e.g. products purchased or returned by type, quantity and price),
- Demographic information (e.g. age, gender, place of residence),
- Data stored in the Lidl Plus account,
- Information about life circumstances and interests, which are stored in the "About me" section,
- Activated and/or redeemed coupons,
- Participation in competitions and promotions,
- Product reservations,
- Use of our partner offers (e.g. time, quantity, location),
- Use of partner offers (e.g. information about your access authorisation to services of our partners, length of use of the services, termination date of the free month, activation and use of the discount collector),
- Use of functions in Lidl Plus (e.g., shopping list),
- Use of our payment service Lidl Pay.

In addition, the following information from Online Services is processed to determine your interests:

- Usage data of the Lidl App, e.g.
 - visited app sections,
 - viewed articles,
 - version of the operating system,
 - device labelling,
 - system language and selected country,
 - Lidl App version used,
- Tracking data, e.g.
 - advertising identifiers (iOS IDFA, Android advertising ID or Huawei ID, email address, address, mobile phone number),
 - IP/MAC address,
 - HTTP header,
 - Fingerprint of your end device,
 - information about the use of apps and websites (links clicked on, areas visited, duration and frequency of use, number of clicks and scrolls),
 - App and event tokens,
- Information from the Online Service of the Lidl Group companies, e.g.
 - products purchased/reserved in Online Services by type, quantity and price,
 - receipt amount and time of payment,
 - payment method used,
 - selected delivery method,
 - participation in surveys and competitions,
 - products stored in the shopping basket,
 - frequency of purchase transactions,

- web tracking data of the Online Services,
- Your usage behaviour in relation to marketing communication of Online Services, e.g.
 - time at which the newsletter was opened,
 - clicked links or areas,
 - duration and frequency of use.

We use mathematical-statistical methods to determine your interests. For this purpose, your personal data is also compared with the data of other customers. Based on this comparison, we can work out which products and campaigns are relevant for customers with similar interests.

We use this information to provide you and other customers of the Online Services with personalised advertising tailored to your interests and to offer you the best possible individual offers and discounts. Where possible, you will also receive personalised information about [products, promotions, competitions, new services, customer surveys and the latest streaming, store, online shop, flower and travel offers](#). We also use these findings to optimise the Lidl Plus programme.

The legal basis for this is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR, i.e. we process the above-mentioned data on the basis of the contractual relationship between you and us.

Recipients/categories of recipients

In addition, we may transfer the data described in this paragraph to other companies in the Lidl Group or other third parties if there is a legal basis for this (in particular your consent to the use of tracking technologies in our Online Services).

3.6 Advertising optimisation measures, the store network and store design

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

If you provide us with your address in your Lidl Plus account, we will use it to optimise our advertising (e.g. leaflet distribution, poster advertising) and to optimise the store network.

This data is processed on the basis of our legitimate interest in optimising sales channels (Article 6, paragraph 1, letter f) GDPR).

3.7 Google reCaptcha

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

To protect our registration/login process from attacks or misuse by automated programmes (known as bots), we use Google reCaptcha. Bots are used, for example, to obtain customer account passwords or to restrict the functionality of the website through mass data transfers.

Google reCaptcha determines whether the interaction with the website is by a human user or a bot. For this purpose, usage behaviour (time spent on the page or mouse movements made) is analysed and the IP address is read by Google and checked to see whether it could have been assigned to a bot in the past. If the IP address has already been assigned to a bot, Google transmits this information to us. We then store these IP addresses for defence against future attacks. This analysis starts automatically as soon as you open the registration page.

The legal basis for this data processing is Article 6, paragraph 1), letter f) GDPR. Our legitimate interest is based on the purposes of processing mentioned above.

Recipients/categories of recipients

When using Google reCaptcha, the above-mentioned data is also processed by Google LLC, 1600 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View, California 94043, USA to provide the Service. We have no influence over the processing and use of data by Google. Further information on data processing by Google can be found here: <https://policies.google.com/privacy>.

3.8 Competitions

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

As a Lidl Plus user, you can take part in various competitions. Unless otherwise specified in the respective competition, your data will be used in the context of your participation in the competition in order to run the competition (e.g. determining the winner, notifying the winner, sending the prize) and to determine your interests as described in [Section 3.5](#).

The legal basis for this is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR, i.e. we process the above-mentioned data on the basis of the contractual relationship between you and us.

Recipients/categories of recipients

Apart from the above-mentioned determination of your interests and the personalised advertising approach, your data will only be passed on to companies of the Lidl Group or third parties if this is necessary to run the competition (e.g. to send the prize via a logistics company). The legal basis for such transmission is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter f) GDPR).

3.9 Reservation of products (“Click & Pick”)

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

If you reserve products via Lidl Plus and purchase them in-store at a later date, we process this information so that you can

- purchase these later in a Lidl store,

- view a history of reservations,
- view special offers tailored to your preferences and interests as well as participate in promotions.

The legal basis for this is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR, i.e. we process the above-mentioned data on the basis of the contractual relationship between you and us.

Recipients/categories of recipients

We will send a list of the reserved products and your order number to the relevant Lidl Group company. The Lidl company uses this data under its own responsibility for the subsequent processing of the purchase contract.

3.10 Partner offers

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

Lidl Plus gives you the opportunity to take advantage of discounted offers from selected partners. Some of these offers require you to identify yourself as a Lidl Plus customer with your digital customer card. In this case, the partner informs us about your use of the special offer including the associated information (e.g. time, quantity, location).

If special offers are made within Lidl Plus for contracting services from our partners, we will receive your contact details (e.g. email address and mobile phone number) from them so that we can correctly assign the special offer to your account. Similarly, should you receive the opportunity from our partners to access specific offers within Lidl Plus, we will inform the respective partner about the use of the offer.

We use the information on the use of the partner offers to determine your interests as described above and to display personalised advertising.

The legal basis for this is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR, i.e. we process the above-mentioned data on the basis of the contractual relationship between you and us.

Recipients/categories of recipients

If you make use of partner offers via Lidl Plus, we only send the partner the information that you are a Lidl Plus user so that the partner can assign the corresponding offer to you.

3.11 Lidl Pay

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

As a Lidl Plus user, you can choose to register your credit or debit card with our mobile payment Service "Lidl Pay" and make payments (e.g. in Lidl stores)

conveniently using your mobile device. To register and use Lidl Pay, it is necessary to enter the credit or debit card number, the CVV/CSV code, first and last name, and the expiry date of the card. This data is entered and stored in encrypted form directly in the PCI-DSS & PCI 3DS-certified systems of our payment platform. To ensure that you are actually the holder of the credit/debit card, your data is compared with the data of the card-issuing company.

If the registration for Lidl Pay is successful, the payment platform sends us a token as confirmation. We then link this token to your customer account.

Should you choose to use additional authentication methods (such as, for example, Apple's TouchID or FaceID features), the terms of use and privacy policies of the respective third party providers will also apply.

The legal basis for this is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR, i.e. we process the above-mentioned data on the basis of the contractual relationship between you and us.

Recipients/categories of recipients

As soon as you use Lidl Pay in a Lidl store, your credit or debit card data will be forwarded to the respective Lidl Group company for payment processing, which will process the data for its own purposes (e.g. for tax verification obligations).

In order to carry out the payment process in accordance with the statutory provisions of Directive (EU) 2015/2366 ("PSD 2"), the applicable national implementing legislation and Delegated Regulation (EU) 2018/389, we also exchange specific information (e.g. data about you, the transaction and your payment behaviour) with your credit institution or the issuer of your means of payment (e.g. your debit or credit card) with the help of our service providers.

The legal bases for these personal data processing activities are Article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR (execution of payment) and Article 6, paragraph 1, letter c) GDPR (compliance with the aforementioned legal obligations).

To prevent fraud, we process your mobile phone number in the registration, pre-authentication and payment process and transmit it to the payment service provider. The legal basis for this data processing is Article 6, paragraph 1), letter f) GDPR, whereby our legitimate interest lies in the prevention of fraud.

3.12 Map services

Purposes of data processing/legal basis

If you use the map services in the Lidl App or have agreed to geolocalisation in the settings of your mobile device via the "give permissions" dialogue, we use this function to be able to offer you individual services based on your current location. In particular, we process your GPS and network-based location for the "store search" and "partner benefits search" functions, in order to show you the stores closest to you.

In order to be able to use map services, it is necessary to process your IP address. This is usually processed on a server of the respective operating system provider. We have no influence over the specific data processing. Further information on the purpose and scope of data processing can be found in the privacy policy of the respective provider. There you will also find further information about your rights and settings to protect your privacy.

Providers, addresses, privacy policies and terms of service:

- Google Maps
 - Google Ireland Limited, Gordon House, Barrow Street, Dublin 4, Ireland,
 - Privacy policy: <https://www.google.com/policies/privacy/>,
 - Terms of service: https://maps.google.com/help/terms_maps.html,
- Apple Maps
 - Apple Inc, One Apple Park Way, Cupertino, California, USA,
 - Privacy policy: <https://www.apple.com/legal/privacy/en-ww/>,
 - Terms of service: <https://www.apple.com/legal/internet-services/maps/terms-en.html>,
- Huawei Map kit
 - Huawei Aspiegel SE, 1F, Simmonscourt House, Ballsbridge, Dublin D04 W9H6, Ireland,
 - Privacy policy: <https://www.huawei.com/en/privacy-policy>,
 - Terms of service: <https://developer.huawei.com/consumer/en/hms/huawei-MapKit/>.

The use of map services is based on our contractual relationship with you, article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR, as well as on our legitimate interest within the meaning of article 6, paragraph 1, letter f) GDPR in presenting our offers in an attractive manner and making it easy to find the locations specified by us in the app.

4. To which other recipients do we pass on your personal data?

4.1 Overview

Your personal data will only be passed on without your prior consent in the cases mentioned in Sections 3.1 - 3.13 if this is permitted by law. This is the case, for example, if:

- we have a legitimate interest in sharing your personal data for administrative purposes within the Lidl Group and your rights and interests in protecting your personal data within the meaning of Article 6, paragraph 1, letter f) GDPR do not outweigh this interest

or

- we use third parties as data processors who we have carefully selected and that are contractually obliged to process your personal data exclusively in accordance with our instructions.

4.2 Transfer within the Lidl Group

The data provided during registration will be passed on within the Lidl Group for internal administrative purposes, including joint customer support.

Any disclosure of personal data is justified by the fact that we have a legitimate interest in disclosing the data for administrative purposes within our Group (Article 6, paragraph 1, letter f) GDPR).

4.3 Transfer to third parties

If you use the Google Assistant as part of our Online Services, please note that Google obtains access to your customer number for this purpose in order to establish a connection with the respective Online Service. Your data processing by Google (as far as we know, the recording and conversion of voice commands) is the sole responsibility of Google. Further information about data processing by Google can be found here: <https://policies.google.com/privacy>. The legal basis for this transfer is Article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR.

4.4 Transfers to recipients in third countries

Under specific circumstances, it may be necessary for us to transfer your personal data to recipients in a third country or several third countries outside the European Union (EU)/the European Economic Area (EEA).

The EU Commission has certified some third countries as having a level of data protection comparable to the GDPR by means of an adequacy decision. You can find an overview of **third countries with an adequacy decision** [here](#). For service providers based in the USA, this only applies if they are certified in accordance with the EU-US Data Privacy Framework.

If there is no adequacy decision, we secure the transfer by other measures. These can be, for example, binding company regulations, standard contractual clauses of the European Commission, certificates or recognised codes of conduct.

Unless otherwise stated, the transfer to a third country takes place either on the basis of an adequacy decision or one of the measures listed above. If you have any questions, please contact our data protection officer ([Section 2](#)).

5. How long do we store your personal data?

We delete or anonymise your personal data as soon as it is no longer required for the purposes stated above. As a rule, we store your personal data for the duration of your participation in Lidl Plus. If you are inactive for 24 months or actively delete your Lidl Plus account, we will notify you of the pending cancellation. Within 72 hours, you have the option of reversing the cancellation by logging in again. If your data must be stored for a longer period of time due to statutory retention periods or to secure,

assert or enforce legal claims, we will store your data beyond the cancellation of the account. The data will only be stored for as long as is legally permissible.

If you do not use Lidl Pay for 24 months, the data collected within this function and the function itself will be deleted. You can then re-register for Lidl Pay at any time.

All personal data that you send us in the context of customer service enquiries will be deleted or anonymised by us no later than 95 days after the final response. Experience has shown that there are usually no more queries after 95 days. If data subjects assert their rights, personal data will be stored for five years after the final reply has been given to you as proof that we have provided you with comprehensive information and that the legal requirements have been met.

We store the log files in which we record your interactions with Lidl Plus (your registration, password reset, etc.) for a period of up to 90 days.

6. What rights do you have with regard to the processing of your data?

You have the right to request information about the personal data stored about you free of charge in accordance with Article 15, paragraph 1) GDPR.

If the legal requirements are met, you also have the right to rectification (Article 16 GDPR), erasure (Article 17 GDPR) and restriction of processing (Article 18 GDPR). If you have provided us with the processed data, you have a right to data portability in accordance with Article 20 GDPR.

If data processing is carried out on the basis of Article 6, paragraph 1), letter e) or f) GDPR, you have the **right to object** in accordance with Article 21 GDPR. If you object to data processing, this will only be continued if we can demonstrate compelling legitimate grounds for further processing that outweigh your interest in objecting. You can send your objection to privacy@lidlplus.com.mt at any time.

If the data processing is based on consent in accordance with Article 6, paragraph 1), letter a) or Article 9, paragraph 2), letter a) GDPR, you can withdraw your consent at any time with future effects without affecting the lawfulness of the previous processing.

You also have the right to lodge a complaint with a data protection supervisory authority. The data protection supervisory authority of the country in which you live or in which the controller has its registered office is responsible.
