
CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OUNO CREATIVE LTD COMPANY POLICY STATEMENT

Ouno Creative strives to be a good corporate citizen. Through its managers and through its people, Ouno Creative is committed to promoting protection of the environment; supporting charities and local communities; promoting equal opportunities; ensuring safe and efficient working practices; and working with suppliers who uphold similar values.

Looking after our people

Ouno Creative recognizes that our people are our greatest asset and key to continued growth and success and as such, we are committed to providing careers and working environments in which our people can achieve to their fullest potential. Ouno has a commitment to keeping employees informed of company affairs through regular staff meetings. Employees can access the company website to obtain general information on the company and its commercial and social activities. Employees are encouraged to discuss operational issues with their line management and to suggest ways to improve performance and efficiency.

We operate a flat team structure with junior staff working next to senior staff and directors in an open plan office. This encourages transparency, open discussions and skills transfers.

Developing future talent is fundamental to Ouno Creative. We provide high quality in-job training and offer staff additional vocational training as part of our employment packages.

Ouno Creative undertakes the following:

- Provides clear and fair terms of employment for its employees
- Pays at least the minimum wage to its employees
- Provides clean, healthy and safe working conditions in a modern office environment
- Provides excellent staff facilities via our location in a modern, well-funded hi-tech business park.
Benefits include showers, restaurants, cafes, cycleways, secure parking, parks and lawns, summer events etc
- Has a fair remuneration policy and operates regular review processes
- Strives for equal opportunities for all present and potential employees
- Encourages and assists employees to develop skills and progress in their careers
- Does not employ underage staff
- Does not employ staff who are ineligible to work in the UK
- Ensures that staff are aware of the Ouno's policies on insider trading, bribery and inappropriate gifts, money laundering and whistle blowing
- Ensures that staff are aware of the Ouno's policies on Health and Safety, Environment, Diversity, Equality and Discrimination
- Supports and implements the Modern Day Slavery and Human Trafficking Act 2015
- Operates a clear complaints and grievances procedure
- Provides opportunities for staff to attend vocational training programmes paid for by the company
- Encourages a harmonious working environment with zero tolerance to bullying or to any form of harassment linked to an individual's sex or other personal characteristics.

Equal Opportunities

Ouno Creative is committed to a policy of equal opportunity and diversity in employment and recognises that this is essential to ensuring the success and growth of the organisation. To this end, Ouno Creative makes every effort to select, recruit, train and promote the best candidates based on suitability for the job; to treat all employees and applicants fairly, regardless of race, sex, marital status, age, nationality, ethnic origin, religious belief, sexual orientation or disability; and to ensure that no employee suffers harassment or intimidation.

Disabled Employees

It is the policy of Ouno Creative to provide employment and to make reasonable adjustment to accommodate disabled persons wherever business requirements will allow and if applications for employment are received from suitable individuals. Should an existing employee become disabled, every reasonable effort will be made to ensure that their employment with the company can continue on a worthwhile basis and that career opportunities are available to them.

Health, Safety and Welfare at Work

The health and safety, welfare and wellbeing of employees is of paramount importance to Ouno Creative. It is the policy of the company to create and improve standards of Health and Safety, which will lead to the avoidance and reduction of risks and to ensure that the company complies with all Health and Safety legislation.

Ouno Creative undertakes the following:

- Maintains a detailed Health and Safety Policy Statement which is held in the studios Policy Folder and also displayed on the studio notice board
- Displays an HSE supplied Accidents in the Workplace advice poster in the studio notice board
- Displays an HSE supplied Health and Safety Law poster on the studio notice board
- Operates a RIDDOR policy and an Accidents Reporting log book
- Maintains a First Aid Medical Kit in the studio
- Provides a Fire Officer as part of the Business Parks own Fire Prevention programme
- Provides a dedicated cutting area with sharps bin
- Bans spray mount adhesives
- Bans smoking in the office environment
- Has the offices regularly cleaned

Ouno Creative makes every reasonable and practicable effort to provide safe and healthy working conditions in its studio. It is the duty of all employees to exercise responsibility and to do everything they can to prevent injury to themselves and to others. The policy standards and procedures are communicated to employees through contracts of employment, policy documents, operating manuals, notice boards and staff training as appropriate.

Information Security for staff and clients

Ouno Creative is committed to ensuring the integrity and security of its business information with particular attention given to personal and sensitive data where inappropriate use or inadequate maintenance and safeguarding could have serious repercussions. Ouno Creative policies and procedures are based on the guidelines set out by the ICO (Information Commissioners Office) and the Data Protection Act 1998. We have addressed the requirements for a secure operating environment, made an assessment of the risks that the Company faces and relevant legal and best practice requirements.

Responsibility for information security sits with the Directors and the Studio manager.

BASIC PRINCIPLES WE FOLLOW

In accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998, Ouno Creative will ensure that personal information is:

- fairly and lawfully processed;
- processed for specified purposes;
- adequate, relevant and not excessive;
- accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date;
- not kept for longer than is necessary;
- processed in line with the rights of the individual;
- kept secure; and
- not transferred to countries outside the European Economic Area unless the information is adequately protected.

INTERNAL DATA SECURITY

Staff HR files and personal/employment documentation is stored in Password Protected folders on Ouno Creative's own self-managed server located within our building. Access to the Admin section of the folder is available only to the two directors and the Studio Manager. There is a HR folder containing printed staff employment documentation. This is stored in a locked cabinet accessible only by the two Directors.

EXTERNAL DATA SECURITY

Ouno Creative operates a secure data and information environment, ensuring complete commercial confidence for our customers. This is important as we work in sectors such as Healthcare and Defence, which expect the highest levels of data security from us.

To facilitate this Ouno Creative have:

- Dedicated self-managed server on-site running a rigorous back-up and restore protocols. This ensures clients that their data and projects are not stored off-site or in the Cloud
- We employ a professional third-party company to manage our website/network security and run a comprehensive data back-up program. This company also runs constant automated checks on our hosted websites to ensure they are resistant to
- To minimise 'conflict of interests' we can 'silo' projects between teams
- Our physical site security is impressive. Our offices have 24/7 manned security. There are three sets of locked doors to pass through to gain access to the studio, which is on the 2nd floor of the Hub Building
- All staff are required to sign an NDA agreement concerning client confidentiality

INFORMATION/DATA FOR MARKETING AND ADVERTISING PURPOSES

Ouno Creative handles marketing campaigns for our clients. This often takes the form of electronic marketing (e.g. mailshots, HTML email campaigns). Therefore we make every effort to comply with the Privacy and Electronics Communications Regulations.

Ouno Creative will make every effort to comply with the Direct Marketing Code of Practice, which sets out standards of ethical conduct and best practice in direct marketing. The main relevant principles we adhere to are as follows:

The first principle: organisations must process personal data fairly and lawfully. In particular, they will usually need to tell the individuals concerned who they are and that they plan to use those details for marketing purposes - see the Privacy notices code of practice for more guidance on this area. Organisations will also need to tell people if they plan to pass those details on to anyone else, including selling or sharing the data for marketing purposes, and are likely to need their consent to do so. Organisations must not do anything that people would not reasonably expect or which would cause them unjustified harm.

The second principle: organisations must only collect personal data for specified purposes, and cannot later decide to use it for other 'incompatible' purposes. So they cannot use people's details for marketing purposes if they originally collected them for an entirely different purpose.

The fourth principle: organisations must ensure that personal data is accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date. So a marketing list which is out of date, or which does not accurately record people's marketing preferences, could breach the DPA.

Ouno Creative will comply with the following guidelines:

Section 11 of the DPA also gives individuals the right to prevent their personal data being processed for direct marketing. An individual can, at any time, give written notice to stop (or not to begin) using their details for direct marketing. In other words, organisations must stop any marketing directed at a particular individual if that person writes and asks them to stop. The organisation does not have to reply, but it is good practice to acknowledge the request and confirm that the marketing will stop.

The organisation must stop marketing within a reasonable period. The DPA does not say it has to stop immediately. For example, if a particular mass marketing campaign is already underway, it might be difficult to prevent one individual from receiving any further materials. However, in most circumstances we expect that calls, texts or other electronic communications should stop within 28 days of receiving the objection, and postal communications should stop within two months. And if the organisation can reasonably stop sooner, it must.

Environmental Issues

Environmental savings make good business sense. Our primary objective is to minimise our carbon footprint and any negative impact we may have on the environment. Therefore Ouno Creative is already committed to the following:

- To meet or exceed the requirements of relevant legislative, regulatory and environmental codes of practice
- To identify, reduce and dispose of waste arising from our operations in a manner that minimises harm to the environment and prevents pollution of land, air and water
- To reduce the consumption of energy and water and use renewable and/or recyclable resources wherever practicable
- To encourage our suppliers and subcontractors to implement good environmental practices and procedures which support our own objectives and targets
- To take responsibility for the maintenance and revision of our environmental policy, which is reviewed on a regular basis, in order to set environmental objectives and targets for continuous improvement, as we recognise the need for sustainable development

- To recycle and reuse paper and cardboard wherever possible
- To publish and display our Environmental Policy
- Use Energy efficient lighting fixtures and automated lighting control systems
- We shall seek to promote the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources and to minimise environmental pollution in all our own activities and, where possible, by our influence over others. We shall review all our policies, services and activities and act wherever necessary to meet this commitment.
- Consideration will be given to substitution of polluting substances with “greener” alternatives wherever possible.
- Wherever possible waste shall be recycled, reclaimed or reused.
- Wherever possible, we will ensure any printed materials are printed onto FSC certified or recycled stock and that our printers only
- Use vegetable based inks wherever possible in our printing projects. We strive to ensure only the latest printing presses and equipment will be used which consume less energy helping to reduce CO2 emissions.
- Embrace new and more efficient technologies to reduce energy consumption by providing better performance per watt or automated ‘power down when not in use’ policies.
- Educate staff, clients and suppliers on new methods and policies to reduce energy and waste generation
- We will endeavour to only use suppliers who operate a clear environmental policy.
- Ensure staff are trained to understand their role in minimising the environmental impacts of their activities.
- Ensure all freelance or temporary staff receive a copy and understand our environmental policy so they can respond accordingly when on our premises or working for or with Ouno.

Targets for 2018 to 2020:

- At our Head Office in Farnborough: Recycling of all paper, cardboard and related materials
- Recycle waste paper into bound notebooks
- Encourage employees to adopt the ‘Cycle to Work’ Scheme
- Recycle old computers and electronic devices via Computer Aid International, a charity providing high quality, professionally refurbished computers for reuse in education, health and not-for-profit organisations in developing countries
- Replace our current printer with a new ‘greener’ version
- Enforce a power-off/ switch-off policy on our computers and equipment at the end of each day and at weekends

Stakeholders

Ouno Creative takes into account the interest of all its stakeholders including our employees, our customers and our suppliers, as well as the local community and the environment in which we operate. Ouno Creatives reputation is one of its key assets and therefore strives to offer the highest standards of integrity, personal conduct, ethics and fairness in the conduct of its business.

Customers

Ouno Creative:

- Seeks to be professional, honest and fair in our relationships with its customers
- Provides the standards of product and service that have been agreed
- Takes all reasonable steps to ensure the safety and quality of products or services that it produces
- Subscribes to industry Codes of Best Practice

Suppliers

Ouno Creative:

- Seeks to be honest and fair in our relationships with suppliers and subcontractors
- Pays suppliers and subcontractors in accordance with agreed terms
- Has a policy not to offer, pay or accept bribes or substantial favours
- Encourages suppliers and subcontractors to abide by the same standards and principles.

Community

Ouno Creative values the local community and wider society and wants to contribute in some way to the health and wellbeing of both.

Local Communities

Ouno Creative:

- Aims to make the communities in which we work, better places to live and do business
- Aims to be sensitive to the local community's cultural, social and economic needs
- Endeavors to protect and preserve the environment wherever Ouno Creative operates
- Conducts charitable work (past activities have included designing for free a full a brochure for a Womens Refuge, designing for free newsletters for local youth football organisation, designing for free a charity cookbook)
- Supports local colleges by offering work paid work experience, placement schemes, internships
- Recruits from local Universities and Art Colleges where possible (in 2017-2018) we hired one full-timer from our nearest University, employed one part-time student from the local Tech College and gave paid work experience to another local student

Industry Participation

Ouno Creative:

- Provides case studies and reports/insights on design projects completed
 - Engages with journalists and industry events on topical themes CSR targets for 2019:
 - To join two industry professional bodies (Chartered Society of Designers and the Event Supplier and Services Association)
 - Create closer links with the University of Creative Arts
 - Identify and support a charitable cause for 2019/2020
 - Employ at least one more graduate
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Signatures

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Date: 5th October 2020

Simon Pipe
Director and owner, Ouno Creative Ltd



Date: 5th October 2020
