# Notetaking in Interviews Guidance Note



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## During the interview

## Scoring sheet

- Create a scoring sheet that contains:
  - Your pre-planned questions for the interview
  - Space for you to make note of the candidate's response
  - A section to score the candidate's response out of a pre-set maximum score

#### Separate notes

- It may also be useful to keep notes separate to the above form to write down your impression of the candidate and additional notes.
- However, it is important that your notes are in no way discriminatory, and all notes should be clear and concise.
- If any business partners cannot be present, summary notes on the candidate can be sent to them, but your additional notes should not be shared.

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## **Post-interview**

#### Retention of notes

• The company will need to establish an appropriate time to retain candidate data and interview notes. A suitable time period is usually considered 12 months after the recruitment process has completed, as this is the time period in which a candidate can take a case related to the recruitment process.

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