Data Rightsholder’s (Creator’s) Flowchart

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**Licensing questions**

Do you, or does your organisation own all of the data in the dataset you wish to license? If you are unsure or for data ownership advice, contact your data manager, e-research / ethics office, or library liaison.

- **NO**
- **YES**

**Concern/Legal advice**

You cannot proceed if you keep these data components in the dataset you wish to license. Alternatively, please contact the relevant data owner for further permissions.

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**Licensing questions**

Do any restrictions apply to the dataset that would prevent you from sharing the data publicly?

- **YES**
- **NO**

**Caution**

Do you have permission to reuse and re-publish the data components that you do not own, remembering that you can only apply a license or rights statement to the dataset that is compatible with all of the licences for the data components?

- **NO**
- **YES**

**Concern/Legal advice**

You should seek legal advice or further guidance.

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**Licensing questions**

Does copyright subsist in the dataset?

- **NO**
- **YES**

**Complete**

Apply the Creative Commons Public Domain Mark.

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**Licensing questions**

Do you want to abandon copyright in the dataset? Choose No if your dataset contains third-party data.

- **NO**
- **YES**

**Caution**

Can an alternative version of the data be published that does not have restrictions?

If ‘yes’, continue on the basis that the restriction has been removed.

- **NO**
- **YES**

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**Complete**

Select a suitable Creative Commons Licence - preferably the CC BY 4.0 Licence.

N.B. You must only select a licence that is compatible with all the other data components in the dataset, if any. CC licences containing the non-derivative feature are unsuitable for data.

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