

## **PEP725 Data Use Policy**

This policy will take effect on 1 October 2025, replacing all previous versions of the PEP725 Data Use Policy.

All data and information collated by PEP725 are made available online with as few restrictions as possible, on a non-discriminatory basis. The PEP725 project management team, as operators of the website, requires all Database Users who have access to the PEP725 data to abide by the following terms and conditions of this policy document.

### ***Terms of PEP725 Data Use Policy***

#### ***1) Available License Models***

Until 2025, the PEP725 dataset was licensed exclusively for non-commercial use. In order to be able to offer data that uses a different license, the database was expanded accordingly. When accessing a dataset, please check under which license the data is provided and ensure that you comply with the respective license terms.

The following license models are in use:

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Note: Some French datasets were downloaded from the TEMPO data portal (<https://tempo.pheno.fr/>) and are subject to their original terms.

Reference: Maury, Olivier; Quido, Marie-Claude; Garcia de Cortazar Atauri, Iñaki; Chuine, Isabelle; El Hasnaoui, Mohamed; Tromel, Louis, 2023, "Portail de données phénologiques du réseau TEMPO / TEMPO Data Portal", <https://doi.org/10.57745/NQ9HRV>, Recherche Data Gouv, V1.

2) *Redistribution*

Redistribution of datasets must respect the chosen license model. In any case, redistribution of data outside the terms of the selected license is forbidden without written permission of the dataset owner or the PEP725 project management.

3) *Responsibility*

Neither PEP725 project management nor PEP725 project members and partners are responsible for database content or for the use of the data.

4) *Liability*

Neither PEP725 project management nor PEP725 project members and partners are liable for the content of the database, or for any loss, damage, claim, cost or expense, however it may arise, from an inability to use the PEP725 Database and Website.

5) *Guarantee*

While substantial efforts are made to ensure the accuracy of PEP725 data and documentation, complete accuracy cannot be guaranteed. All PEP725 data and metadata are made available "as is". None of the parties involved in the production and distribution of a dataset may be held accountable for any damage resulting from its use or misinterpretation.

### **PEP725 Data Attribution Policy**

6) *Acknowledgement: The following acknowledgement must be included in either the main text or the Acknowledgments section of all publications using PEP725 data: "Data were provided by the members of the PEP725 project."*

7) *Bibliographic information* should be provided to the PEP725 project management ([pep725@geosphere.at](mailto:pep725@geosphere.at)) for all manuscripts using PEP725 data immediately after their publication.

8) *Citation:* All PEP725 data sets must be cited following the example below: Templ, B., Koch, E., Bolmgren, K., Ungersböck, M., Paul, A., Scheifinger, H., et al. (2018). Pan European Phenological database (PEP725): a single point of access for European data. Int. J. Biometeorology. doi: 10.1007/s00484-018-1512-8. Data set accessed YYYY-MM-DD at <http://www.pep725.eu>

## **PEP725 Database Access Requirements**

Access to all datasets available from the PEP725 database is subject to compliance with this policy document to enable dataset owners and the PEP725 project management to track usage, evaluate its impact in the community, and confirm Database Users' agreement with the ***PEP725 Data Use Policy***. The following information is required prior to the release of any dataset:

- Registration
  - Name
  - Affiliation
  - Email address
  - Full contact information
- Acceptance of the terms and conditions of the PEP725 Data Use Policy-
- A statement of intended use compliant with the above agreements. Such statements may be submitted via the data access portal interface.

The information on Database Users will be only available to the PEP725 project management and the dataset owners. They will not sell, trade, or pass on this information to third parties.

## **Disclaimers**

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