

GDPPU Privacy Statement - Your privacy with the GDPU

The GDPU wishes individuals, affiliated clubs and their members associated with the GDPU to understand the policy of the GDPU with regards to the privacy of information stored and used by the GDPU. This statement outlines the GDPU's privacy policy on personal information and sets out its obligations and working practices on how the GDPU protects your privacy and uses any data within the GDPU.

The GDPU is concerned about your privacy and the rights of the individual as applicable to the good functioning and running of the GDPU subject to applicable law as described in this Privacy Statement.

The GDPU is not obliged to register or notify any organization under the Data Protection Act but does wish to follow acceptable and practical working practices that meet the intent and principles of the act within the GDPU's normal operations.

All web sites and contact methods administered by the GDPU are designed to provide members with information about the GDPU's activities and to enable non-members to learn a little about us. We want all to feel secure when visiting our site or being contacted and are committed to maintaining your privacy by ensuring that we will not divulge sensitive personal information about you or specifically mention you in the body text of any open communication (unless previously agreed) and that any private and confidential information is kept between you and the GDPU.

What information do we gather?

Information about you is gathered in two ways:

Indirectly: For example, through our site's technology, your club or from any other legal source.

Directly: When you provide information to the GDPU either through the GDPU web sites, you camera club or as an individual.

Examples of information we collect indirectly is through our Internet access logs or through information from your club as nominated representative at GDPU meetings, club contacts, office bearers etc. When you access GDPU web sites, your Internet address may be automatically collected and placed in our Internet access logs.

We also collect information directly from you when you voluntarily submit it to us, for example, when you enter one of the GDPU competitions or participate in a GDPU organized event.

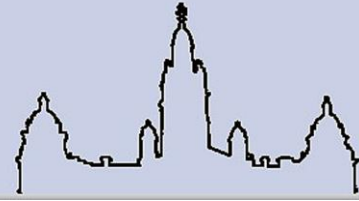
By submitting any information about you to the GDPU, you agree and consent that data may be kept by the GDPU and used subject to applicable law as described in this Privacy Statement. (See note 1)

How do we use this information?

In general, the use of the information provided by you is to allow the GDPU to communicate with you and others in general terms and to determine how best the GDPU can provide you with the services and events it organizes and to help us identify ways to improve the GDPU.

Will we share this with outside parties?

The information that you provide is intended purely for use by the GDPU and its members. Your information will not be sold or passed onto external parties. Should a situation arise whereby information needs to be passed to a third party, for example catering at an external event, we will notify you as to why we are asking for specific information on any booking or application form, and it is completely up to you whether or not you want to provide it.



What about sensitive personal data?

We do not generally seek to collect sensitive personal data. If we do seek to collect such data, we will ask you to consent to our proposed uses of the data. We may also collect some sensitive personal data incidentally. By providing us with unsolicited sensitive personal data, you consent to our using the data subject to applicable law as described in this Privacy Statement. The references to "sensitive personal data" are to the various categories of personal data identified by European and other data privacy laws as requiring special treatment, including in some circumstances the need to obtain explicit consent. These categories comprise personal identity numbers, personal data about personality and private life, racial or ethnic origin, nationality, political opinions, membership of political parties or movements, religious, philosophical or other similar beliefs, membership of a trade union or profession or trade association, physical or mental health, genetic code, addictions, sexual life, property matters or criminal record (including information about suspected criminal activities).

Do we give you access to your information?

You are entitled to know whether we hold information about you and, if we do, to have access to that information and require it to be corrected if it is inaccurate. You can do this by contacting the GDPU via the General Secretary.

What about data security?

We take appropriate steps to maintain the security of your data within the GDPU. However, you should understand that the open nature of the Internet is such that data may flow over networks without security measures and may be accessed and used by people other than those for whom the data is intended.

The above information is supplied based on the best current advice to organizations and groups like the GDPU. Should you have any questions please contact the GDPU General Secretary either in writing or via the GDPU web site.

Note 1:

It is completely up to you whether or not you want to provide any information to the GDPU. However, without the requested information, the GDPU may not be able to provide you, your club or your club members with the necessary information nor allow entry to competitions, events or access to the full range of GDPU services. It should be clearly understood that any such action would be purely attributable to the lack of information provided by you.