



Privacy Statement

We do our best to protect and respect your personal data. We take your privacy concerns very seriously and confirm to users of this site that we will not sell or rent individual user information to others and will only share information in accordance with this privacy statement.

This statement explains how we collect that data, why we use it and how we keep it safe.

Who are we?

The Magistrates' Association is a registered charity in England & Wales (no. 216066). We are a national charity and the independent voice of the magistracy.

As appropriate, the Magistrates' Association will disclose your information to any legal entities for the purposes of introducing and delivering goods and services to you.

Our registered office is 10A Flagstaff House, St George Wharf, London, SW8 2LE and our contact number is 020 7387 2353. For general enquiries and data protection enquiries, contact information@magistrates-association.org.uk.

How do we collect your information?

We obtain information about you when you make contact with us. For example: when you register on our website, when you become a member, when you subscribe to our magazine, or when you attend an event or conference.

What types of information do we hold?

The information we collect might include your name, address, email address and phone numbers. We will store information on the products and services you hold, or have shown an interest in.

Examples include:

- Whether you are in one of our volunteer groups
- Your grade of membership
- The events you have attended
- Your renewal dates
- Your membership applications
- Your communication preferences

We will record equal opportunities, diversity and inclusion data that you give us, such as your age and ethnicity. This is kept secure and used to give statistics to help plan our services, and to tailor our communications to you about our services and products.



Why do we collect your information?

We only use your information in accordance with the law. This gives us various powers to use your data. These are effectively the reasons for our processing and are:

- To perform or take steps to enter a contract with you.
- For the purposes of our legitimate interests. This includes being able to send you marketing.
- To ensure compliance with a legal obligation.
- If you give consent for us to do so.

Collecting and using your data will mean that we are able to manage your membership, process any orders or requests you have made and provide you with relevant and topical information relating to your interests. For example, changes to our services. It will enable us to ask for your views on our services and matters relating to the magistracy and the legal justice system.

Data protection applies to personal data held about individuals. It does not always cover 'business to business' contacts or information. However, we will also do our best to secure and protect the contact details of our corporate contacts.

Who has access to your information?

The officers, staff and contractors of the Magistrates' Association will have controlled access to your information to enable us to provide you with membership services. If you are a member of one of our branches, then data will be shared with volunteers running these services, for the purposes of offering you those services.

We will not sell or rent your information to third parties. We will not share your information with third parties for them to market to you. We may pass your information to our third-party service providers, subcontractors and other associated organisations to provide services on our behalf (for example management of learning and development services). However, when we use third parties, we disclose only the personal information that is necessary to deliver the service and we require them to keep your information secure and not to use it for other purposes. Third party services providers will delete all personal data when no longer required to perform services.

Your choices

You have a choice about whether and how you wish to receive information from us. You will be asked to make your preferences clear when we collect your information. For most users, this will be when they register online. Members can update their preferences at any time by contacting membership services.

The accuracy of your information is important to us. We encourage members to regularly check and update their information in their profile area. We may use your information for automated profiling to send you potentially relevant communications.

You have various legal rights over your information, which we will always respect. Further detail is available from the Information Commissioner via [their website](#).



Your responsibilities

You must not share the password for your Magistrates' Association account. Your passwords are your responsibility and must not be disclosed to any third party. This is important for your own protection and that of your personal data.

If you access the Magistrates' Association website from a PC that can be used by any other person, such as those at work, college or in an Internet café, there are some basic guidelines to follow:

- Be aware of others close by who may try to take note of your username and password.
- Never leave the PC unattended when you are logged in to your Magistrates' Association account.
- At the end of your internet session, ensure you log out of your Magistrates' Association account.
- You should delete any downloaded files. This may require also deleting them from a 'recycle bin' if the system has one.
- Always close the web browser correctly using the exit button.
- Avoid using the 'Remember Me' login option in such situations, or wherever devices are shared.

If you suspect that your password or account information has been compromised, it is your responsibility to inform us promptly and change your password.

How do we protect your data?

The Magistrates' Association has robust IT security in place. All staff receive data protection training and our premises are secured. We hold data sharing contracts with providers, requiring them to protect your information.

Use of cookies

Like most websites, the Magistrates' Association pages use cookies. Cookies are small pieces of information sent by an organisation to your computer and stored on your hard drive to allow that website to recognise you when you visit. Cookies make it possible for your browser to remember your settings and preferences. This helps us to improve our website and deliver a more personalised service for you.

It is possible to switch off cookies in your browser preferences.



Visitors to our websites

When someone visits <https://www.magistrates-association.org.uk/> we use a third-party service, Google Analytics, to collect standard internet log information and details of visitor behaviour patterns. This information is anonymised and we do not make, and do not allow Google to make, any attempt to find out the identities of those visiting our website.

Usage by under-16s

We particularly wish to protect the privacy of children aged 16 or under. If you are aged 16 or under, please get your parent/guardian's permission before you provide us with personal information.

External links

This privacy statement does not cover the links within this site, that lead to external websites. We encourage you to read the privacy statements on the other websites that you visit.

Review of this Statement

We keep this statement under review as part of our overall Data Protection Policy. It was last updated in November 2021.