



# Swindon Chess Club

## Data Protection & Privacy Policy

### 1. Who We Are

Swindon Chess Club is a local chess club based in Swindon, Wiltshire, UK.

We are committed to protecting the personal information of our members and visitors in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). By engaging with us in the ways set out in this policy, you confirm that you have read and understood this policy, as it applies to you.

If you engage with the club (for instance by becoming a member), you give your consent for the club to store, use and share your personal data in accordance with this policy to run the club and associated activities.

### 2. What Data We Collect

Most information we obtain about our members is provided by them directly. We do not collect personal data simply as a result of a person visiting our website.

We also receive personal information indirectly, from the following sources in the following scenarios:

- Information from the English Chess Federation – ECF membership; Rating; Individual results
- Information from The Wiltshire County Chess Association (WCCA) – Individual results

We may collect, store and use the following personal information:

- Full name and title
- Contact details (e.g. postal address, email, phone number)
- Chess ratings / rankings
- Tournament participation and results
- Photos and/or videos from events
- Information that you voluntarily tell us (e.g. Questionnaires, Feedback, etc.)



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### 3. Why We Collect Your Data

The personal data we obtain is applied for the following purposes:

- Managing club membership and communications
- Organizing tournaments and events
- Selecting and organising teams
- Publishing results and ratings (e.g. the club website, Facebook page etc.)
- Sharing club news and updates
- Sharing chess information of interest to club members
- To identify members on the English Chess Federation (ECF) Website as members of the club
- To submit results of matches played to the ECF for grading purposes or to other organisations running competitions in which the club participates (like the Wiltshire County Chess Association)
- To comply with legal or regulatory obligations

This data is held pursuant to the legitimate interests of the club (to manage membership, arrange competitions and events on behalf of its members and submit results to ECF of the chess leagues), which is the basis on which your data as set out is processed. We will ensure that our use of your personal data for these purposes does not override your fundamental rights and freedoms.

### 4. How long We Keep Information

We will hold personal data for as long as a person is a member and for a reasonable time afterwards (no more than five years).

For casual players, we will hold personal data for one year after the last attendance to a Casual Group meeting.

We will retain your competition results for the lifetime of the club. We will also retain for the lifetime of the club, records we need for its good administration. This will not reduce the rights you have under GDPR (see "6. Your Rights").

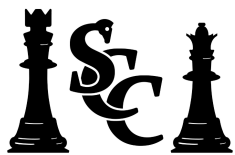
Old and unused data will be securely deleted or destroyed as far as is reasonably practical or possible.

### 5. How We Store Your Data

Your personal information may be stored in various formats, including:

- Paper form
- Locally controlled electronic systems
- External e-mail systems
- External cloud storage (e.g. websites, social media, etc.)

We will make reasonable efforts to keep your personal information secure, such as password protection of electronic systems and limiting access.



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### 5. Sharing Your Data

We will not sell or rent your data to any third party, whether chess related or not.

Information which is deemed by the committee to be of a clearly private personal nature will only be shared with committee members and people who have a need to know within the purpose.

Other information of a less private nature (e.g. names and game results), may be published more widely with chess federations (ECF, FIDE), The Wiltshire County Chess Association (WCCA), websites, social media, etc. This published data may enter the public domain or another organisation's systems and the club may not be able to amend or delete the data.

### 6. Your Rights

Under GDPR legislation, you have the following rights:

- **Your right of access** - You have the right to ask us for copies of your personal information. You can request other information such as details about where we get personal information from and who we share personal information with. There are some exemptions which means you may not receive all the information you ask for.
- **Your right to rectification** - You have the right to ask us to correct or delete personal information you think is inaccurate or incomplete.
- **Your right to erasure** - You have the right to ask us to delete your personal information.
- **Your right to restriction of processing** - You have the right to ask us to limit how we can use your personal information.
- **Your right to object to processing** - You have the right to object to the processing of your personal data.
- **Your right to data portability** - You have the right to ask that we transfer the personal information you gave us to another organisation, or to you.
- **Your right to withdraw consent** – When we use consent as our lawful basis you have the right to withdraw your consent at any time.

If you make a request, we must respond to you without undue delay and in any event within one month.



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### 7. Contact Us

To exercise any of these rights, please contact a member of the committee in writing or send your request to [info@SwindonChessClub.org.uk](mailto:info@SwindonChessClub.org.uk) with "Privacy Request" in the title.

At the time of writing, the committee members are:

- Gordon Price                      Chair
- Richard Carver                  Treasurer
- George Georgiou                Secretary
- Ollie Swann                        Rating Officer

### 8. How to complain

If you have any concerns about our use of your personal data, you can make a complaint to us using the contact details above.

If you remain unhappy with how we've used your data after raising a complaint with us, you can also complain to the ICO. The ICO's address:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 1113

Website: <https://www.ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint>

### 9. Last updated

This Data Protection & Privacy Policy was last update on 10th September 2025.