

Privacy Policy

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1. Introduction

1.1 Outline

The Focus MK1 Preservation Club (the club) is a member owned and managed non-profit unincorporated car club, with a voluntary committee who managed all aspects of the clubs day to day activities. Supporting our members in a growing community in all historical and technical aspects of every MK1 model produced and giving opportunities to showcase their vehicles at local and national events.

1.2 Purpose

The club is committed to protecting everyone's privacy and will only use personal data in the ways described in this policy. All data is managed securely and the club complies with both the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2018 and Data (Use and Access) Act 2025.

2. Data Collection & Usage

2.1 Website Users

For website users we do not collect personal information for people reading content on our website. Data is only collected to support specific transactions as listed below. Cookies are used, as is common for modern websites to support some of the functions of the site as described below. We don't use any marketing trackers.

2.2 Club Members

- i .The club will keep a **membership register** which is password-encrypted and only contains information in which the member supplied for their application.
- ii. For prospective members to join the club, we require you to inform us your full name, address, preferred email/phone number and vehicle details. Please inform us if any of your personal information changes or is inaccurate so that we may keep our membership register up to date.
- ii. When a membership expires **beyond 14 days** or is cancelled, we will only retain information that confirms you have been a member of the organisation, this will be your full name and your membership start and expiry date. All other data is completely removed off our register system.

2.3 Consent

From time to time we will contact members for permission to use an image containing either yourself and/or your vehicle for media purposes. This is usually for website usage or external like a car magazine feature. This consent is kept on our records for as long as we require it and no longer.

2.3 Purpose of Information

Your information is kept securely on our membership system and is only used for the following purposes:

- i. To welcome new members
- ii. To contact you regarding any issues or gueries
- iii. To provide regular club news & updates
- iv. To provide you with local & national event-related news & updates
- v. To enable the collection of statistics and data to improve the club functions
- vi. To verify membership for the "Members Area" of the website
- vii. To support us with shipping arrangements for merchandise purchases

2.4 Membership & Merchandise Payments

- i. Payments for new memberships and renewals will go through our payment gateway provider Stripe. This way members have some popular payment choices.
- ii. Payments for merchandise are only accepted as bank transfers (BACS) at the present.
- iii. We do not store and handle any payment details.

2.5 Sharing Data

The club does not sell or share any personal data to marketing companies and does not use its mailing list for any advertising or non-club related purposes.

3. Merchandise

Merchandise orders must be made to the Merchandiser via a specific email. We will use your member details already stored on our system to fulfill a shipment or the goods, unless you want the shipment to go to a different address. All emails relating to the order will be permanently deleted once the order has confirmed to have arrived at the specified shipping address.

4. Website Cookies

4.1 Purpose

When browsing a modern website, files called Cookies are created by the web server and saved on your computer by your web browser. The website uses Cookies which enable the site to:

- i. Remember settings, so you don't need to keep re-entering them
- ii. Manage sign-up and login information for "Members Area"
- iii. Measure how you use the website so we can make sure it suits your needs

4.2 Disabling Cookies

Our cookies are not used to identify you personally. They are only used to make the site work better for you and give a more seamless experience. Indeed, you can manage and/or delete these small files as you wish, however if you disable cookies, you may find technical issues with some parts of the website, such as losing logins.

5. Social Media

The club maintains a social media presence such as Facebook, Instagram and X. This policy applies to the club membership system and website which are under direct control of this club. If you use any of our social media platforms, the privacy policy is that of the site concerned.

6. Data Jurisdiction

6.1 Regulations

Although the Club has members across the world, it is based in the UK and is under UK legal jurisdiction. All member and website personally identifiable data is hosted securely on UK based servers. Prevailing legislation is the (UK) Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA 2018) which incorporates the EU General Data Protection Regulation "EU-GDPR", as amended by the Data Protection, Privacy and Electronic Communications (Amendments Etc)(EU Exit) Regulations 2020 following Brexit. Also we follow the Data (Use and Access) Act 2025.

6.2 Data Controller

Amongst the requirements of this legislation, the club as data controller is to ensure that any personally identifiable data is:

- i. Processed lawfully, fairly and transparently in relation to the individuals
- ii. Collected for specified explicit and legitimate purposes
- iii. Adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary
- iv. Processed in a manner that ensures appropriate security of personal data

The club abides by these requirements, both because it is legally required and also because it is the right thing to do. We only collect and process your data to provide you with the services you expect from us, outlined in this policy.

6.3 Data Subject Rights

You, the data subject have certain rights such as:

- i. To access, update, or delete the information we have on you.
- ii. To know the purpose of collecting and processing that data.
- iii. To object to, or restrict ways in which the club is using the personal data.
- iv. Withdraw consent to holding or processing your data.

Should you seek to exercise any of the above rights, please use the contact details set out below. The club is committed to working with its members to obtain a fair resolution of any complaint or concern about privacy.

6.4 Consequence of Consent Change

In cases where the member has requested data to be restricted, deleted or consent withdrawn. The club will follow the request, however the club may not be able to continue offering membership services.

7. Policy Alterations

We reserve the right to update or change this policy when required.

8. Contact Details

If you have any questions about this privacy policy or if you would like to exercise your data protection rights, please contact us below.

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