



ABMSAC – Data Privacy Policy

About this Policy

The Association of British Members of the Swiss Alpine Club (ABMSAC) takes your privacy seriously. We are a “controller” of the personal information that you provide to us. This policy sets out how, why and for how long we will use your personal data, as well as who it is shared with. It also explains your legal rights as a data subject and how to exercise them. The current copy of our privacy policy is also shown on our club website (www.abmsac.org.uk).

What information we collect and why

When you register as a member of our club, or renew your membership, we will ask you for following information – name, address, e-mail address, telephone numbers, date of birth and gender.

We require this information so that: -

- We can invoice for and collect subscriptions
- We can send out communications, including e-news, newsletters and the journal
- We can understand how our membership is changing
- We can have contact details for emergencies
- Members can contact one another

Who we share information with, and why

- For members resident in the UK, we use a secure portal to supply membership information to the BMC, to administer your membership of the BMC including your combined liability insurance cover
- For ABMSAC members who are also members of the SAC, we use secure means to supply membership information to the SAC, to administer your membership of the SAC
- Subsets of information are securely sent by George Starkey Hut Limited (GSHL) to the ABMSAC Membership Secretary, so it can be verified to them that they are current ABMSAC members, in connection with:

- Membership of GSHL
- Claiming members rates when staying at the George Starkey hut
- Managing the issuing and return of George Starkey hut keys

Information is not shared with any other organisation, or for any purpose other than those stated above.

How we protect your data

The ABMSAC takes all steps reasonably necessary to ensure that your data is treated securely and in accordance with this privacy policy.

We have implemented generally accepted standards of technology and processes to protect personal data from loss, misuse, or unauthorised alteration or destruction. This includes password protection to the main club database, with access restricted to the Membership Secretary. When information is passed to other club officers, principally the Editor, this is also done using password secured files.

We will notify you promptly in the event of any breach of your personal data which might expose you to serious risk.

How long we keep your personal information

We only keep your personal information as long as necessary to provide you with membership services. If you leave the club, your information is deleted at the end of the calendar year.

You have a right to:

- Change or stop the data we share with other members through your journal listing
- Request that we correct your personal data if you believe it is inaccurate or incomplete
- Request that we delete your personal information
- Access the personal data that we hold about you through a "Subject Access Request"

You can contact us at membership@abmsac.org.uk.

If you are dissatisfied, you have the right to raise a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office at www.ico.org.uk.