**Data protection policy**

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**Introduction:**

The Guernsey Volleyball Association, hereby referred to as the GVA, needs to gather and process certain data about individuals.   
This policy ensures that the GVA comply to “The Data Protection (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2017” this law is equivalent to the General Data Protection Regulations as laid down by EU law.

**Registration ID with ODPA:** DPA6355

The law can be found here:  
[**https://www.gov.gg/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=110559&p=0**](https://www.gov.gg/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=110559&p=0)

**Why this policy exists:**

The data protection policy ensures that the GVA:

* Complies with data protection law and follows good practise,
* Protects the rights of its members,
* Is open about how it stores and processes personal data,
* Protects its self from a data breach.

**Who are we:**

The Guernsey Volleyball Association exists solely in Guernsey to promote the sport of Volleyball.

**Data Use:**

The GVA will only use the personal data obtained for the following purposes:

* Player registration.
* Contact players regarding GVA events, Constitution / Rule Changes, League updates.
* Disciplinary actions,
* Monitor and maintain league attendance,
* Ensure all players are members of the GVA,

**When is data collected:**

When players / teams register to join a league, enter a tournament, make an enquiry via website, social media, email or phone or agree to attend a social event.

**Data subjects rights:**

**The Eight Principles of Data Protection and how we comply**

1. Data must be processed fairly and lawfully.  
People must know, or be able to assume, that we are processing information about them (i.e. if they fill in a form or send us a letter or email). We should not collect information by underhand means or use it for unlawful purposes.

2. Personal data must be obtained only for one or more specified purposes  
We can only use data for the purposes we set out when we collected it. So, if we collect address lists to allow us to send newsletters we cannot automatically pass these on to third parties etc.

3. Data must be adequate, relevant and not excessive.  
We should record only what we need to record. If we do not need to know a person’s date of birth, then we must not record it. It may be however that we need to make some records of sensitive personal data in order to do our jobs properly – for example a participant’s medical information.

4. Data must be accurate and up to date.  
Inaccurate data wastes our time and the time of our members we serve. It can cause offence – for example continuing to write to someone who is deceased or invoicing someone who has already paid. Errors can open the way to identity theft and fraud. So, we need to keep data up to date and purge old, redundant information.

5. Data must be retained for no longer than necessary.  
Data files must be reviewed periodically and data not needed should not be kept. Retention for six years is a useful rule of thumb unless the records are of long-term value, but some records should be deleted immediately, for example someone resigning from a mailing list

6. Data must be processed in accordance with the rights of data subjects.  
The rights of our data subjects include having access to their personal data (see below). We should also avoid causing damage or distress – for example by publishing names without that person’s consent. We must take care with any direct marketing, as this can be construed as junk mail or email spam.

7. Data must be kept secure.  
This does not just mean keeping files under lock and key, but also that data is protected against being destroyed or corrupted, that there are back-ups, that passers-by cannot read computer screens, that passwords are changed periodically, that discarded data is disposed of appropriately, and that only properly authorised people see or use the data. The “leaking” of information to any person outside the Guernsey Volleyball Association may be taken as breaking this principle. You should take great care when sending data as email attachments and when forwarding emails with large “cc” lists giving away other people’s email addresses. All paper which includes personal data should be shredded. Care should be taken when carrying data on laptop computers, data disks or pen drives; at the end of their useful lives these items should be disposed of.

8. Data must not be transferred outside the Bailiwick, without adequate protection.  
If any transfer is proposed the legal requirements should be studied in detail.

#### The Rights of Data Subjects

People have the right to request access to personal data held about them, subject to a few specified limitations. This means we must be careful about putting anything on file, on computer or into an email which you would not want the subject to read. We may be required to explain any flags, codes or abbreviations used in the records.

If we receive such a request in writing; (known as a “subject access request”) we refer to the committee and seek appropriate advice. We do not withhold the request (as we have only 60 days to respond). We do not destroy, alter or delete any records after receiving the request, as this would breach the Law. We do not inadvertently compromise other people’s rights in responding to such a request (i.e. if a record contains data relating to more than one person).

People have the right to be told what the data is being used for and to object to this if they don’t like it. They can also object to receiving unsolicited marketing material.

**Data Protection Statements**

Any form, web page, jot form etc that we design to collect personal data should include a Data Protection Statement. This will set out who we are, what we intend doing with the data the public are providing and who we will share it with. It may include “opt out” or “opt in” boxes to tick, for example if people do not wish to receive marketing information.

**The Rights of Members**

Members have rights under the Law to see files relating to them held by the Guernsey Volleyball Association. There are certain exceptions to the kind of documents which must be released.

#### Retention of Data and Sharing of Data

**Data on Paper**

The following should be kept for 6 years and then destroyed:

One off event applications/consent forms.

Accident/Incident paper Report Forms.

Completed paper Risk Assessments.

Completed paper Registers

Any other similar forms for Guernsey Volleyball Association events.

**Electronic Data**

Any computer files containing personal information will be password protected.

Personal information on computer files will be kept for the year of the event/initiative and then another full calendar year. After this time the files will be destroyed or de-personalised if needed to be kept for statistics.

**Information Sharing**

Any information shared is done in accordance with the Guernsey Volleyball Association Safeguarding and Protecting Children and Vulnerable Adults policy.

**Photographs**

Photographs will be stored securely.

Photographs will only be used and kept where consent has been gained, and for the purposes given.

Photographs are taken and stored in line with the Guernsey Volleyball Association Safeguarding and Protecting Children and Vulnerable Adults policy.

Photographs on personal devices should be immediately/as soon as possible downloaded to a Guernsey Volleyball Association Onedrive and permanently deleted from the personal device.

Photographs may be kept for historical records and review purposes, however there will be no references to individuals or personal information. Such photographs will be securely stored.

#### The Website

This section of our privacy policy relates to the website [www.guernseyvolleyball.com](http://www.guernseyvolleyball.com) and governs the privacy of its users who choose to use it.

The policy sets out the different areas where user privacy is concerned and outlines the obligations & requirements of the users, the website and website owners. Furthermore the way this website processes, stores and protects user data and information will also be detailed within this policy.

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