

COOKIES POLICY

What are cookies?

A cookie is a small text file that a website saves on your computer or mobile device when you visit the site. It enables the website to remember your actions and preferences (such as login, language, font size and other display preferences) over a period of time, so you don't have to keep re-entering them whenever you come back to the site or browse from one page to another.

More specifically, we use cookies technologies for the following purposes:

- Assisting you in navigation;
- Assisting in registration to our events, login, and your ability to provide feedback;
- Analysing your use of our products, services or applications;

How do we use cookies?

▪ General Information

We use cookies on our website to manage sessions, to generally improve your user experience. Cookies can also be used to compile anonymous, aggregated statistics that allow us to understand how people use the site and help us to improve the structure and its content. These cookies do not store any personally identifiable information. You can change your browser settings to reject some or all cookies. However, your experience of the site and the services we are able to offer, will be affected if you do not allow cookies and may not function properly.

▪ Performance cookies

These cookies are used to collect information about how visitors use the website, for example, what pages they visit most and if they get error messages. The cookies collect aggregated information anonymously, that does not identify the visitor. They are used exclusively to compile reports and to help us improve the performance of our website. This information is only used to help us improve our website experience, fix issues on the site quickly and make the site easier to use.

▪ Functionality cookies

These cookies allow the website to record information about choices you have made such as username, language to provide improved and personalized features. They are generally used to remember the preferences you set on the website. They can also be used to provide services requested by the user, such as viewing videos or using social media. The information collected by these cookies can be made anonymous and cannot watch the activity of browsing other websites. If you do not allow these cookies, the performance and functionality of the site and your access to services may be affected.

▪ Third-party cookies:

Our website uses several types of third-party cookies, and we do not control the operation of any of them. The third-party cookies which may be set include:

- Google Analytics – we use Google Analytics to collect data about website usage. This data does not include personally identifiable information. You can view the Google Privacy Policy here: www.google.com/policies/privacy/.
- Facebook – we use a Facebook pixel to obtain user engagement while visiting our web pages. For information on Facebook's Privacy and Cookie policy, visit <https://www.facebook.com/policies/cookies/>
- AddThis – the AddThis cookie is used when you use the Share icon. This is to share links in your social media like Facebook, Twitter, etc. You can read the AddThis Privacy Policy here: <http://www.addthis.com/privacy/privacypolicy>.

How to control cookies

You can control and/or delete cookies as you wish - for details, see aboutcookies.org. You can delete all cookies that are already on your computer and you can set most browsers to prevent them from being placed. If you do this, however, you may have to manually adjust some preferences every time you visit a site and some services and functionalities may not work.

The following links may assist you in managing your cookies settings, or you can use the 'Help' option in your internet browser for more details:

- Internet Explorer: <https://support.microsoft.com/en-gb/help/17442/windows-internet-explorer-delete-manage-cookies>
- Microsoft Edge: <https://privacy.microsoft.com/en-us/windows-10-microsoft-edge-and-privacy>
- Mozilla Firefox: <http://support.mozilla.com/en-US/kb/Cookies>
- Google Chrome: <http://www.google.com/support/chrome/bin/answer.py?hl=en&answer=95647>
- Safari: https://support.apple.com/kb/ph19214?locale=en_GB

List of cookies we use:

Name& Purpose	Description	Expiry
NID-Site Preferences	This cookie is used to a profile based on user's interest and display personalized ads to the users.	6 months
Fbp-- Social sharing	This cookie is set by Facebook to deliver advertisement when they are on Facebook or a digital platform powered by Facebook advertising after visiting this website.	3 months
Loc - Social sharing	This cookie is set by Addthis. This is a geolocation cookie to understand where the users sharing the information are located.	1 year 1 month
Ga-Analytical	This cookie is installed by Google Analytics. The cookie is used to calculate visitor, session, campaign data and keep track of site usage for the site's analytics report. The cookies store information anonymously and assign a randomly generated number to identify unique visitors.	2 years
Gid -Analytical	This cookie is installed by Google Analytics. The cookie is used to store information of how visitors use a website and helps in creating an analytics report of how the website is doing. The data collected including the number visitors, the source where they have come from, and the pages visted in an anonymous form.	1 day
Uvc -Social sharing	The cookie is set by addthis.com to determine the usage of Addthis.com service.	1 year 1 month
Atuvc-Social sharing	This cookie is set by Addthis to make sure you see the updated count if you share a page and return to it before our share count cache is updated.	1 year 1 month
Atuvs-Social sharing	This cookie is set by Addthis to make sure you see the updated count if you share a page and return to it before our share count cache is updated.	30 minutes

PHPSESSID- Performance	This cookie is native to PHP applications. The cookie is used to store and identify a users' unique session ID for the purpose of managing user session on the website. The cookie is a session cookies and is deleted when all the browser windows are closed.	session
_gat -Analytical	This cookies is installed by Google Universal Analytics to throttle the request rate to limit the collection of data on high traffic sites	1 minute

Compliance Officer

If you have any questions regarding our Cookies Policy please contact the Compliance Officer in writing. Contact information are as follows:

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