ProtectUK

# ProtectUK Cookie Policy

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## 1. Introduction

Here you will find information on what cookies may be set when you visit ProtectUK and how to reject or delete those cookies.

## 2. What is a cookie?

An HTTP cookie (cookie) is a small parcel of text sent backwards and forwards between a web browser and a website that is stored on your browser or the hard drive of your computer if you agree.

ProtectUK uses cookies to distinguish you from other users of our site. This helps us to provide you with a good experience when you browse our site and allows us to improve ProtectUK.

By continuing to browse our site and using ProtectUK, you are agreeing to our use of cookies.

## 3. Cookie laws

The EU directive relating to cookies says you should know what cookies are used, why they are used and you should be able to explicitly accept them as they can track information about your browsing.

## 4. How does ProtectUK use cookies?

ProtectUK will only ever use cookies to deliver a better service and online experience to you. We will never use cookies in a malicious or covert way to gather information about you. We are providing information here on what cookies we use and why. We are also publishing information on what

cookies are and how to both block them and delete them.

If you do not wish to allow this for whatever reason, you will be unable to use ProtectUK as they are all essential to its operation.

## 5. List of the main ProtectUK cookies

This is a list of the main cookies set by ProtectUK

| Cookie | Description |
|---|---|
| _pk_ref | Matomo analytics |
| _pk_cvar | Matomo analytics |
| _pk_id | Matomo analytics |
| _pk_ses | Matomo analytics |
| SSESS********** | Drupal session cookie which name includes an encrypted reference to the user |
| cookie-agreed | Cookie which is set when the user accepts the cookie banner. |
| cookie-agreed-version | the version of the cookie policy in use. |

## 6. Third-party cookies

There are no third-party cookies set on ProtectUK. We use MATAMO to analyse activity on the site. Personal data IDs are anonymised.

The list of cookies set within MATAMO can be found here: https://matomo.org/faq/general/faq_146/

## 7. Cookies Set by third-party sites

We sometimes embed photos and video content from websites such as YouTube to provide additional useful content such as instructional video clips. As a result, when you visit a page with content embedded from these sites you may be presented with cookies from them.

We do not control the dissemination of these cookies. You should check the relevant third-party website for more information about them.

## 8. ProtectUK sharing tools

Embedded share buttons to enable users of the site to easily share items on other social networks

may set a cookie when you are also logged in to their service. We do not control the dissemination of these cookies and you should check the relevant third-party website for more information about these. There are none set at present.

## 9. How to control and delete cookies

If you wish to restrict or block the cookies which are set by ProtectUK, you can do this by not opting-in. You may also set your browser to reject them. The 'Help' section on your browser will tell you how to do this.

For information on how to do this on your mobile phone, you will need to refer to the appropriate manual.
Please note that ProtectUK relies on a number of cookies to function and if you set your browsers to reject or block the cookies, you will not be able to use or access all or parts of ProtectUK.

## 10. Contact Us

To contact us, please submit a request via ProtectUK.police.uk/contact. We will respond to your query as soon as we can.