

GDPR information:

Whilst Badminton England head office are currently preparing draft template policies/procedures plus templates for clubs to use to comply with the new regulations, you can read/download the authoritative Information Commissioner's Office document on the background and the steps needed to comply here: <https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-general-data-protection-regulation-gdpr/>

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) will take effect on 25 May 2018, when it will replace the Data Protection Act 1998. Behind the scenes, Badminton England has been doing a lot of work to prepare for the new legislation, such as reviewing our data handling practises, and updating our policies in readiness and they will shortly be publishing guidance to County Associations and Badminton Clubs on how best to deal with these issues. Protecting the personal data of our members and volunteers, and ensuring that we handle it in accordance with the law is of paramount importance to both the national association and Kent Badminton Ltd.

Why we collect your data

We want to give you the best possible experience with Kent Badminton Ltd. For example, the data we hold about you helps us personalise our communications to you, ensuring they are relevant to the interests you have in badminton i.e. to inform you of what is going on in the world of badminton, new opportunities to play or compete, tickets to watch the best players in England and across the world, how to get into volunteering or coaching.

How we collect your data

We do this in a number of ways - including when you become a member of Badminton England and thus choose the County you are affiliated to i.e. Kent, when you enter a competition or attend training sessions etc. We treat your data with the utmost care and take appropriate steps to protect it.

Guidance from Badminton England as at 19th April 2018 - email from Adrian Christie

Many of you will be aware that the data protection law is changing on 25 May 2018 and organisations need to be ready for the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). This change affects any organisations that collect and manage data and will impact on Badminton England, County Badminton Associations, League, Tournament Organisers, Coaches etc. However, please be reassured that while there are some changes the way in which we all manage data, GDPR is an evolution to current data protection regulations and is not designed to be a burdensome revolution that will stop you doing the great things you do for badminton.

Badminton England is currently working with our legal advisors to produce some resources to help you get ready:

- A GDPR section is now live on our website can be found at <https://www.badmintonengland.co.uk/landingpage.asp?section=6113§ionTitle=Governance#.VzW594QrKUK> – it has a simple holding message on at the moment but over the coming weeks, we will populate with:
 - An evolving series of Frequently Asked Questions – if you have a question that is not included, our intention will be to enable you to submit your own question which will then be shared on the page for others to view and learn from
 - Data Protection Policies – our intention is to issue a policy that is appropriate for County Badminton Associations, League, Tournament Organisers, Coaches etc. as well as what Badminton England need

- Privacy Notice – again our intention is to issue what is appropriate for Badminton England, County Badminton Associations, League, Tournament Organisers, Coaches etc. Preferences – we will share our Opt In statements with County Badminton Associations, League, Tournament Organisers, Coaches etc. which will give you a guide to adapt them to suit your own communication requirements
- Other documents that our legal advisors deem appropriate

There is one key thing to say at this point. I have been asked several times if Badminton England will be the 'data controller' on behalf of clubs, CBAs etc – the answer is no, we are not able to do this. If a County Badminton Associations, League, Tournament Organisers, Coaches etc. collects any personal data it is their responsibility.

It is important that our County Badminton Associations, League, Tournament Organisers, Coaches etc. get an understanding of GDPR. They shouldn't be scared by it, certainly no more than they should be compliant with current Data Protection legislation. It's a media topic right now and so I understand the anxiety that some are sharing; we are going as fast as we can to help but there is a huge demand on expert knowledge right now.

I would therefore encourage any County Badminton Associations, League, Tournament Organisers, Coaches etc. to log onto the Information Commissioners Office website - <https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-general-data-protection-regulation-gdpr/>. Please feel free to also make them aware of an Advisory Service, including a helpline that has been set up - <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/advice-service-for-small-organisations/>

Please keep an eye on the hub page on BE's website – that is where all information will be routed through.

Kind regards

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