

**Updates made to this page 27/02/20 to reflect our monthly cookie scan**

**BACKGROUND:**

This website [www.snsgroup.co.uk](http://www.snsgroup.co.uk) ("Our Site") uses Cookies and similar technologies in order to distinguish you from other users. By using Cookies, We are able to provide you with a better experience and to improve Our Site by better understanding how you use it. Please read this Cookie Policy carefully and ensure that you understand it. Your acceptance of Our Cookie Policy is deemed to occur when you have selected your preferred Cookie options in Our Cookie banner pop-up and pressed the OK button. If you do not agree to Our Cookie Policy, please stop using Our Site immediately.

Definitions and Interpretation

In this Cookie Policy, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:

<b>"Cookie"</b>	means a small file placed on your computer or device by Our Site when you visit certain parts of Our Site and/or when you use certain features of Our Site;
<b>"Cookie Law"</b>	means the relevant parts of the Privacy and Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003 and of EU Regulation 2016/679 General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR");
<b>"personal data"</b>	means any and all data that relates to an identifiable person who can be directly or indirectly identified from that data, as defined by the Data Protection Act 2018 and GDPR; and
<b>"We/Us/Our/SNS Group"</b>	means Scottish News and Sport Limited, a limited company registered in Scotland under company number SC234408, whose registered address is 15 Fitzroy Place, Glasgow, G3 7RW.

Information About Us

Our Site is owned and operated by SNS Group.

Our Data Protection Lead is Claire McCann, and can be contacted by email at [claire@snspx.com](mailto:claire@snspx.com) by telephone on +44 (0)141 221 3602, or by post at 15 Fitzroy Place, Glasgow, G3 7RW.

How Does Our Site Use Cookies?

Our Site may place and access certain first party Cookies on your computer or device. First party Cookies are those placed directly by Us and are used only by Us. We use Cookies to facilitate and improve your experience of Our Site and to provide and improve Our products and services. We have carefully chosen these Cookies and have taken steps to ensure that your privacy and personal data is protected and respected at all times.

By using Our Site, you may also receive certain third-party Cookies on your computer or device. Third party Cookies are those placed by websites, services, and/or parties other than Us. Third party Cookies are used on Our Site to improve the functionality. For more details, please refer to section 4 below.

All Cookies used by and on Our Site are used in accordance with current Cookie Law. We may use some or all of the following types of Cookie:

**Strictly Necessary Cookies**

A Cookie falls into this category if it is essential to the operation of Our Site, supporting functions such as logging in, your shopping basket, and payment transactions.

### **Analytics/Statistics Cookies**

It is important for Us to understand how you use Our Site, for example, how efficiently you are able to navigate around it, and what features you use. Analytics Cookies enable us to gather this information, helping Us to improve Our Site and your experience of it.

### **Functionality/Preferences Cookies**

Functionality Cookies enable Us to provide additional functions to you on Our Site such as personalisation and remembering your saved preferences. Some functionality Cookies may also be strictly necessary Cookies, but not all necessarily fall into that category.

### **Targeting/Marketing Cookies**

It is important for Us to know when and how often you visit Our Site, and which parts of it you have used (including which pages you have visited and which links you have visited). As with analytics Cookies, this information helps us to better understand you and, in turn, to make Our Site and advertising more relevant to your interests.

### **Third Party Cookies**

Third party Cookies are not placed by Us; instead, they are placed by third parties that provide services to Us and/or to you. Third party Cookies may be used by advertising services to serve up tailored advertising to you on Our Site, or by third parties providing analytics services to Us (these Cookies will work in the same way as analytics Cookies described above).

### **Persistent Cookies**

Any of the above types of Cookie may be a persistent Cookie. Persistent Cookies are those which remain on your computer or device for a predetermined period and are activated each time you visit Our Site.

### **Session Cookies**

Any of the above types of Cookie may be a session Cookie. Session Cookies are temporary and only remain on your computer or device from the point at which you visit Our Site until you close your browser. Session Cookies are deleted when you close your browser.

Cookies on Our Site are not permanent and will expire after the time period noted in our cookie declaration section of our cookie consent pop-up banner.

For more details of the personal data that We collect and use, the measures we have in place to protect personal data, your legal rights, and our legal obligations, please refer to our Privacy Policy [//s3.amazonaws.com/images.mediastorehouse.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/20190408172442/PrivacyPolicy.pdf](https://s3.amazonaws.com/images.mediastorehouse.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/20190408172442/PrivacyPolicy.pdf).

For more specific details of the Cookies that We use, please refer to the table below.

### **What Cookies Does Our Site Use?**

The following first party Cookies may be placed on your computer or device:

#### **Necessary**

Necessary cookies help make a website usable by enabling basic functions like page navigation and access to secure areas of the website. The website cannot function properly without these cookies.

Name	Provider	Purpose	Expiry	Type
AWSALB	snsgroup.co.uk	Registers which server-cluster is serving the visitor. This is used in context with load balancing, in order to optimize user experience.	6 days	HTTP

CookieConsent	snsgroup.co.uk	Stores the user's cookie consent state for the current domain	1 year	HTTP
PHPSESSID	snsgroup.co.uk	Preserves user session state across page requests.	Session	HTTP
wordpress_test_cookie	snsgroup.co.uk	Used to check if the user's browser supports cookies.	Session	HTTP
AWSALBCORS	snsgroup.co.uk	Amazon Web Services Chromium project had a planned new release, Chromium 80, in February 2020 which introduced a requirement that HTTP cookies used in Cross-Origin Resource Sharing (CORS) requests include the 'SameSite=None; Secure' attribute and all cookies must be sent over HTTPS. For continued stickiness support with CORS use cases after the Chromium update, they created additional stickiness cookies for each of these duration-based stickiness features named AWSELBCORS (CLB), AWSALBCORS (ALB), and AWSALBTGCORS (ALB weighted target group) respectively. With the exception of the cookie attributes 'SameSite=None; Secure', these cookies will be identical to the original ELB generated stickiness cookies	6 days	HTTP

### Preferences

Preference cookies enable a website to remember information that changes the way the website behaves or looks, like your preferred language or the region that you are in.

Name	Provider	Purpose	Expiry	Type
DMCS3	snsgroup.co.uk	If you choose to opt-in to "Remember me on this computer" semi-permanent cookies are used to help this website remember your choice for the next time you sign in. The cookies only store encrypted reference numbers, no private information is sought or retained within the cookie.	Session	HTTP
DMCS4	snsgroup.co.uk	If you choose to opt-in to "Remember me on this computer" semi-permanent cookies are used to help this	1 day	HTTP

		website remember your choice for the next time you sign in. The cookies only store encrypted reference numbers, no private information is sought or retained within the cookie.		
_pk_testcookie.277.28f7	snsgroup.co.uk	Used to check whether the visitor's browser supports cookies	Session	HTTP

### **Statistics**

Statistic cookies help website owners to understand how visitors interact with websites by collecting and reporting information anonymously.

Name	Provider	Purpose	Expiry	Type
_ga	snsgroup.co.uk	Registers a unique ID that is used to generate statistical data on how the visitor uses the website.	2 years	HTTP
_gat	snsgroup.co.uk	Used by Google Analytics to throttle request rate	1 day	HTTP
_gid	snsgroup.co.uk	Registers a unique ID that is used to generate statistical data on how the visitor uses the website.	1 day	HTTP
_pk_cvar#	snsgroup.co.uk	Used during each session to group page views to generate statistical data for boxes and views.	1 day	HTTP
_pk_id#	snsgroup.co.uk	Collects statistics on the user's visits to the website, such as the number of visits, average time spent on the website and what pages have been read.	1 year	HTTP
_pk_ses#	snsgroup.co.uk	Used by Piwik Analytics Platform to track page requests from the visitor during the session.	1 day	HTTP
Void	vimeo.com	Collects data on the user's visits to the website, such as which pages have been read.	2 years	HTTP
collect	google-analytics.com	Used to send data to Google Analytics	Session	Pixel

		about the visitor's device and behaviour. Tracks the visitor across devices and marketing channels.		
personalization_id	twitter.com	This cookie is set by Twitter - The cookie allows the visitor to share content from the website onto their Twitter profile.	2 years	HTTP

### **Marketing**

Marketing cookies are used to track visitors across websites. The intention is to display ads that are relevant and engaging for the individual user and thereby more valuable for publishers and third-party advertisers.

Name	Provider	Purpose	Expiry	Type
r/collect	doubleclick.net	This cookie is used to send data to Google Analytics about the visitor's device and behaviour. It tracks the visitor across devices and marketing channels.	Session	Pixel
_twitter_sess	twitter.com	Collects data related to the user's visits to the website, such as the number of visits, average time spent on the website and which pages have been loaded, with the purpose of personalising and improving the Twitter service.	Session	HTTP
ct0	twitter.com	Allows users to share content from our websites. They cookies do not provide us with any confidential information relating to your account	1 day	HTTP
external_referer	twitter.com	Collects data related to the user's visits to the website, such as the number of visits, average time spent on the website and which pages have been loaded, with the purpose of personalising and improving the Twitter service.	6 days	HTTP

guest_id	twitter.com	Collects data related to the user's visits to the website, such as the number of visits, average time spent on the website and which pages have been loaded, with the purpose of personalising and improving the Twitter service.	2 years	HTTP
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### Consent and Control

Before Cookies are placed on your computer or device, you will be shown a banner pop-up at the top of the page requesting your consent to set those Cookies. By giving your consent to the placing of Cookies you are enabling Us to provide the best possible experience and service to you. You may, if you wish, deny consent to the placing of Cookies unless those Cookies are strictly necessary; however certain features of Our Site may not function fully or as intended. You will be given the opportunity to allow and/or deny different categories of Cookie that We use

In addition to the controls that We provide, you can choose to enable or disable Cookies in your internet browser. Most internet browsers also enable you to choose whether you wish to disable all Cookies or only third-party Cookies. By default, most internet browsers accept Cookies but this can be changed. For further details, please consult the help menu in your internet browser or the documentation that came with your device.

The links below provide instructions on how to control Cookies in all mainstream browsers:

Google Chrome: <https://support.google.com/chrome/answer/95647?hl=en-GB>

Microsoft Internet Explorer: <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/kb/278835>

Microsoft Edge: <https://support.microsoft.com/en-gb/products/microsoft-edge> (Please note that there are no specific instructions at this time, but Microsoft support will be able to assist)

Safari (macOS): [https://support.apple.com/kb/PH21411?viewlocale=en\\_GB&locale=en\\_GB](https://support.apple.com/kb/PH21411?viewlocale=en_GB&locale=en_GB)

Safari (iOS): <https://support.apple.com/en-gb/HT201265>

Mozilla Firefox: <https://support.mozilla.org/en-US/kb/enable-and-disable-Cookies-website-preferences>

Android: <https://support.google.com/chrome/answer/95647?co=GENIE.Platform%3DAndroid&hl=en> (Please refer to your device's documentation for manufacturers' own browsers)

### Changes to this Cookie Policy

We may alter this Cookie Policy at any time. If We do so, details of the changes will be highlighted at the top of this page. Any such changes will become binding on you on your first use of Our Site after the changes have been made. You are therefore advised to check this page from time to time.

In the event of any conflict between the current version of this Cookie Policy and any previous version(s), the provisions current and in effect shall prevail unless it is expressly stated otherwise.

### Further Information

If you would like to know more about how We use Cookies, please contact our Data Protection Lead Claire Mccann, by telephone on +44 (0)141 221 3602, or by post at 15 Fitzroy Place, Glasgow, G3 7RW.

For more information about privacy, data protection and our terms and conditions, please visit the following:

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