

Privacy Policy

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1. Introduction

This Privacy Policy describes how Goats United FC ("we," "us," or "our") collects, uses, and protects information through our website goatsunitedfc.com (the "Website"). We are committed to protecting your privacy and handling your personal information responsibly.

Our Commitment: All data collected through this Website is used solely for internal purposes related to our soccer club operations. We do not sell, rent, or share your personal information with third parties for their marketing purposes.

2. Information We Collect

2.1 Personal Information

We may collect the following types of personal information:

- Name and contact information (email address, phone number, mailing address)
- Date of birth
- Emergency contact information
- Player registration details
- Parent/guardian information for minors
- Photos and videos taken during club activities (with consent)

2.2 Automatically Collected Information

When you visit our Website, we may automatically collect:

- IP address
- Browser type and version
- Device information
- Pages visited and time spent on pages
- Referring website addresses
- General location information (city/state level)

2.3 Cookies and Tracking Technologies

We may use cookies and similar tracking technologies to enhance your experience on our Website. You can control cookie preferences through your browser settings.

3. How We Use Your Information

We use collected information exclusively for internal purposes, including:

- **Club Administration:** Managing player registrations, team assignments, and club communications
- **Communication:** Sending important updates, schedules, announcements, and newsletters related to club activities
- **Safety and Security:** Maintaining emergency contact information and ensuring player safety
- **Event Management:** Organizing games, practices, tournaments, and club events
- **Website Improvement:** Analyzing website usage to improve functionality and user experience
- **Compliance:** Meeting legal obligations and protecting our legal rights

4. Data Sharing and Disclosure

We do not sell, rent, or share your personal information with third parties.

We may disclose information only in the following limited circumstances:

4.1 Service Providers

We may share information with trusted service providers who help us operate our website and carry out club activities (e.g., tournament registration, club event notifications). These providers are contractually obligated to protect your information and use it only for the services they provide to us.

4.2 Legal Requirements

We may disclose information if required by law, court order, or governmental regulation, or if we believe disclosure is necessary to:

- Comply with legal process
- Protect the rights, property, or safety of Goats United FC, our members, or others
- Prevent fraud or security issues

4.3 League and Tournament Organizations

We may share necessary player information with official soccer leagues and tournament organizers for registration and participation purposes.

5. Data Security

We implement reasonable administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to protect your personal information from unauthorized access, disclosure, alteration, or destruction. However, no internet transmission or electronic storage method is completely secure, and we cannot guarantee absolute security.

6. Data Retention

We retain personal information for as long as necessary to fulfill the purposes outlined in this Privacy Policy, unless a longer retention period is required or permitted by law. When information is no longer needed, we will securely delete or anonymize it.

7. Children's Privacy

Our club serves minors participating in youth soccer programs. We comply with the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) and only collect personal information from children under 13 with verifiable parental consent. Parents/guardians have the right to:

- Review their child's personal information
- Request deletion of their child's information
- Refuse further collection or use of their child's information

To exercise these rights, please contact us using the information provided below.

8. Your Privacy Rights

Depending on your location, you may have certain rights regarding your personal information:

8.1 General Rights

- **Access:** Request access to the personal information we hold about you
- **Correction:** Request correction of inaccurate or incomplete information •
- **Deletion:** Request deletion of your personal information

9. Third-Party Links

Our Website may contain links to third-party websites. We are not responsible for the privacy practices of these external sites. We encourage you to review their privacy policies before providing any personal information.

10. Changes to This Privacy Policy

We reserve the right to update this Privacy Policy at any time. We will notify you of significant changes by posting the new policy on our Website with an updated "Last Updated" date. Your continued use of the Website after changes constitutes acceptance of the revised policy.

11. Contact Information

If you have questions, concerns, or requests regarding this Privacy Policy or our data practices, please contact us:

Goats United FC

Email: info@goatsunitedfc.com

Mailing Address: 74 Park St., Oswego, 60543 IL

Phone: 630-615-9252

12. Consent

By using our Website and providing your information, you consent to the collection and use of information as described in this Privacy Policy.