



Royal Irish Automobile Club (RIAC)

Cookie Policy

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What are cookies?

A cookie is a small piece of data that a website asks your browser to store on your computer or mobile device. The cookie allows the website to "remember" your actions or preferences over time. Most browsers support cookies, but users can set their browsers to decline them and can delete them whenever they like. By continuing to use our website you consent to the use of cookies in accordance with this policy.

What are the different types of cookies used by this website?

A cookie can be classified by its lifespan and the domain to which it belongs. By lifespan, a cookie is either a:

- Session cookie are temporary cookies which is erased when the user closes the browser or
- Persistent cookie which remains on the user's computer/device for a pre-defined period of time.

By domain, a cookie is either a:

- First-party cookies which are set by the web server of the visited page and share the same domain
- Third-party cookies stored by a different domain to the visited page's domain. E.g. Facebook or Twitter

There are four different groups of cookies which we may use:

- Strictly Necessary Cookies are essential to enable navigation around our website and use its features. Without these, we would be unable to provide you with certain features. Functionality Cookies allow our website to remember choices you have made and helps to provide an enhanced, more personal experience on our website.
- Performance Cookies gather information about how our site is used, including which pages you visit most often. These cookies are anonymous, which means that they won't collect information which identifies you.
- Advertising Cookies help us better understand our advertising campaigns and how we can make these more relevant to you. These cookies are also anonymous. They won't collect information which identifies you.

Cookies which may be used by this website include:

Cookie name	Purpose	Persistent or Session	Term of use	1st or 3rd party cookie	Legal Basis of Processing
BIGipServerTethys	Used to distribute traffic to the website on several servers in order to optimise response times.	Session - Functional	n/a	1st Party Cookie	For the purpose of our legitimate interests in enabling basic functions like page navigation and access to secure areas of the website.
PHPSESSID	Preserves user session state across page requests.	Session – strictly necessary	n/a	3rd Party Cookie	For the purpose of our legitimate interests in operating user sessions.
TS01a0c22a	Used to enhance functionality and personalisation	Session - Functional	n/a	1st Party Cookie	For the purpose of our legitimate interests in enabling basic functions like page navigation and access to secure areas of the website.
_ga	Google Analytics - Used to distinguish visitors to site	Persistent	12 months	3rd Party Cookie	We will use this information to make our website and the advertising displayed on it more relevant to your interests.
_gid	Google Analytics – counts number of visits to the site	Persistent	24 hours	3rd Party Cookie	This allows us to recognise and count the number of visitors and to see how visitors move around our website when they are using it. This helps us to improve the way our website works, for example, by ensuring that users are finding what they are looking for easily

_gat_gtag_UA_3028 9486_28	This cookie does not store any user information, it's just used to limit the number of requests that have to be made to doubleclick.net.	Session - Functional	n/a	3rd Party Cookie	For the purpose of our legitimate interests in operating user sessions.
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How to manage your Cookies

You are in control and can adjust your settings at any time. Within your browser you can choose whether you wish to accept cookies or not. Different browsers make different controls available to you and so we provide links below to popular manufacturers' instructions on how you can do this. Generally, your browser will offer you the choice to accept, refuse or delete cookies.

These browsers include;

- Google Chrome
- Internet Explorer
- Firefox
- Safari
- Safari Mobile

How to contact us If you would like to contact us about our cookie policy or usage please email info@riac.ie or call on **01 677 5141**.