

# **GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION (GDPR)**

## **Background**

GDPR is an important change in government legislation regarding data protection and stands for The General Data Protection Regulation. It effectively provides an update to the Data Protection Act, bringing in new requirements and increasing the penalties for breaches. Any organisation that is required by law to comply with GDPR must do so by the 25th May 2018 at the latest. This law doesn't only cover businesses, but sports clubs as well, since clubs, too, handle sensitive personal data their members trust them with.

GDPR will impose strict controls on how all organisations collect and process personal data within the EU and/or personal data of EU citizens. The UK is expected to enforce the full range of GDPR requirements.

The regulation outlines six key principles for organisations that process individuals' personal information. These are that data shall be:

- 1. processed lawfully, fairly and transparently
- 2. collected for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes
- 3. adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary for processing
- 4. accurate and kept up to date
- 5. retained only for as long as necessary
- 6. processed in an appropriate manner to maintain security

#### Does this apply to our club?

The GDPR applies to any "data controllers" or "data processors". Those are technical terms but, in essence, if you collect any personal data in running your club (which you will do if you have any members) then the GDPR will apply.

#### What does this mean for me?

There is an updated <u>Privacy Policy</u> which provides more detail on our policy and procedures to safeguard your information.

### What do I need to do?

One of the key points in GDPR compliance is that "Active Consent" should be given to hold, manage and process personal information. All members who wish to register on the website will be required to give consent to this. By completing the membership pack you have given your consent. Consent can be withdrawn at any time, by emailing <a href="mailto:lpeqg.bilstonsc@gmail.com">lpeqg.bilstonsc@gmail.com</a> but if this is done then your account will be removed. This means that your log in to the members area of our website will no longer be active and you will not receive emails or texts regarding sessions, galas, open meets or welfare.

Further updates will be sent out in regard to your general Club Membership and any actions that are required.

If you have any questions, please contact <a href="mailto:lpeqq.bilstonsc@gmail.com">lpeqq.bilstonsc@gmail.com</a>