



Opera Privacy Statement

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Introduction

This privacy statement describes how we use data in our browsers, websites, and services. Some of the data we use is considered “personal data” under applicable law. However, even when we use personal data, we have no practical way of actually identifying you as an individual. This means that our users are essentially anonymous to us.

The specific categories of data that we collect, use, or otherwise process can vary from product to product, from one purpose to another, and in some cases based on your location. This Privacy Statement gives you detailed information about when, how, and why we process your data (including but not limited to personal data), as well as your rights under applicable law.

Definitions

First, let’s define some key terms. Many of these definitions are adapted from the General Data Protection Regulation (or “GDPR”), the data privacy law which applies in the European Union as well as in Norway. We use the GDPR as a guidepost because it applies directly to us as a European company and because we believe it sets the highest legal standards for our users’ privacy. In some cases we have simplified definitions here in order to make them easier to understand.

Personal data: Any information relating to an identified or identified natural person, as outlined in the GDPR. This includes data such as your IP address, device IDs, advertising IDs. Important: This is just an example of what the GDPR considers personal data. We do not collect all this data at all times. You can check below, under each service to see what data we do collect. There we also explain how we process personal data, and list our specific purposes and legal basis for processing under the GDPR.

Data controller: The person or company that decides whether and how to process personal data. For the purposes of this Privacy Statement, this is Opera



Legal basis: The specific legal reason that allows us to process personal data. The GDPR sets out six specific grounds for processing personal data. The ones most relevant to our Applications are as follows:

Consent: When we process personal data based on your consent, that means we have asked for your permission to do so and you've expressly given it to us.

Contractual grounds: When we process personal data because it is necessary to perform a contract, for example to provide you with a service as described in our Terms of Service or some other agreement.

Legitimate interest: When we process personal data based on legitimate interest, that means we have a legitimate reason to use the personal data (such as ensuring that products work properly, or alerting users about promotions and updates), which is in balance with your right to privacy.

Legal compliance: In some instances it is necessary for us to process personal data in order to fulfill other obligations under the law, for example detecting fraud, making sure you are who you say you are, etc.

Applications: The specific apps we offer, as mentioned below, including our desktop and mobile browsers.

Monetization: Making money. Nearly all of our Applications are free to download and use. Therefore we monetize our products in various ways, primarily by selling advertising within the Applications themselves. The money we make helps us keep the lights on, pay the salaries of our staff, and continue developing the most innovative, independent browsers on the market. We do not sell users' personal data to anyone, either to monetize or to provide advertising.

Purpose: The specific reason or reasons we have for processing data, including personal data.

Process or processing: Collecting or using personal data. As defined in the GDPR, the word "processing" can mean doing almost anything with personal data. However, it never means selling such data or making it available to anyone in ways that are not covered by the GDPR. Below we have used it in this general sense when we have a general meaning in mind, and used more specific terms (like "store" or "share") where appropriate.

Retention / retain: The time period for which we will continue to store data. In general, we do not process or store personal data longer than needed and therefore delete it after a certain period of time. Below we have included some more specific details on retention periods, which vary depending on the type of personal data at issue and the purpose for which it is processed.



Opera Group: Our affiliated group of companies, including Opera Norway AS (a Norwegian company) which develops and publishes the Opera browsers, as well as other subsidiaries and affiliated companies around the world. For more information, see below.

Applications

The kinds of data (including personal data) that we process may vary depending on which applications you use. You can read more about how each of our products processes data below.

Desktop Browsers

Mobile Browsers

Websites

General Topics



Opera browsers are developed and published by Opera Norway AS, a company registered under the laws of Norway. Therefore Opera Norway AS acts as the primary data controller for Opera browsers and services.

The Opera Group companies work together to develop our apps, and to market, distribute, and monetize them around the world. In general, the other companies of the Opera Group that may have access to personal data act as data processors for Opera Norway AS. As a matter of company policy, we apply the GDPR to our internal processing in general, even in contexts where it might not apply directly to our affiliated companies outside of Europe.

Use of Cookies

We use cookies on our websites for session management and retaining your settings or preferences. We may also use third-party cookies to collect visitor statistics and measure our marketing campaigns. If you would like to reject third-party cookies, please configure your browser's settings accordingly. Please refer to our [Cookie Policy](#) for more information.

Children's Privacy

There are no guarantees that children cannot enter our websites or use our applications without parental consent or notification. Therefore, and as provided in our End User License Agreements for [computers](#) and [mobiles](#), we require children to include their parents in the download process, and we encourage parents to read this privacy statement before allowing their children to use our applications and services.

International Data Transfers

As noted above, in different contexts we may share or make data available (including personal data) to other members of the Opera Group, and in some cases, with third-parties such as our marketing and monetization partners. Where applicable, we insist that a valid legal mechanism is used to protect such transfer, including for example the European Union's model contracts for the transfer of personal data to third countries (also known as the "standard contractual clauses") to ensure adequate protection of your personal data.



You have the right to make a request to access or delete any of your personal data that we might possess. You can make a request via [this online request form](#) or by contacting our Data Protection Officer at the address below. You may be required to provide additional information to authenticate your request. You also have the right to lodge a complaint with Datatilsynet, the Norwegian Data Protection Authority, which can be contacted through [their webpage](#).

When we post changes to this privacy statement, we will include the date when the statement was last updated. If we significantly change this statement, we will notify you about the upcoming change via our website or using in-app notifications. We encourage you to review this statement periodically.

Contacts

If you have any questions about this statement or any privacy issues in our applications or services, feel free to contact our Data Protection Officer via [this online request form](#) or by post:

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