

## COOKIES POLICY

### What are cookies?

A cookie is a file or device downloaded onto the user's terminal equipment for the purpose of storing data which may be updated and recovered by the entity responsible for its installation. This means that they consist of a file that is downloaded onto a computer when accessing certain websites. Cookies allow a website to —among other things— store and recover information about the browsing habits of a user or their equipment for the purpose of recognising such user, depending on the information they contain.

Their main functions are:

- User control: whenever a user enters their user name and password, a cookie is stored so that the user does not need to re-enter their password in every page of the server. However, a cookie does not identify only one single person but a computer/browser/user combination.
- Obtaining information about the user's browsing habits and any spyware attempts (spying programmes) carried out by advertising companies and others. This may result in privacy issues and is one of the reasons for which cookies have a certain number of detractors.

There are several types of cookies depending especially on the purpose for which they are used. In this way, the following may be distinguished:

**Analysis cookies:** these cookies are used for carrying out an analysis of the behaviours and actions of the website users as well as for the development of browsing profiles implemented for performing technical improvements regarding operation and service.

**Advertising cookies:** they allow for an efficient management of advertising spaces based on a set of criteria. For example, verifying whether or not the user has already had access to a piece of news, for the purpose of updating it with a new piece of news.

**Behavioural advertising cookies:** these cookies are in charge of storing information about the behaviour of the users themselves by focusing on their browsing habits. This allows to establish user profiles depending on their behaviour and to use them for customising the presented advertisements.

If the user wishes to obtain further information about cookies, the following website may be consulted <http://www.aboutcookies.org/>.

### What type of cookies does this website use?

This web page uses cookies which will allow the user to use it and browse through it while guaranteeing access to certain services as well as improving the operational configuration thereof.

Specifically, this website uses the following cookies:

Cookie summary			
Type	Purpose	Session / persistence cookies	Our own/third-party cookies
_ga	Analysing website activity and traffic.	Persistence (2 years)	Third-party (Google Analytics)
_gat	Limiting the percentage of applications.	Persistence (1 minute)	Third-party (Google Analytics)
_gid	Recognising users.	Persistence (1 day)	Third-party (Google Analytics)

## Cookie management

This section provides a short presentation of how to consult and carry out the cookie system configuration in relation to the most common or most widely used web browsers.

In this sense, practically all browsers allow the user to obtain general information about the cookies installed in a website and, specifically, to verify the existence thereof, their duration or system of deletion. In this sense, for information purposes, a set of related links is provided:

- Google Chrome
- Mozilla Firefox
- Internet Explorer

Also, the user may allow, block or delete cookies installed in their computer by modifying their browser configuration using the instructions indicated therein. For information purposes, indication is provided for locating the cookie configuration in the "Preferences" or "Tools" menu of each browser. In any case, the user may go to their browser's help tab to solve any queries regarding such matters.

It is convenient to take into account that blocking the installation of all cookies may affect the website content, as well as certain functions and services provided by it.