

Information about contracts between the EBU and clubs/counties

- The ICO has provided a [document explaining in full the question of contracts](#) between Data Processors and Data Controllers.
- Clubs act as Data Controllers with regard to their own data. They also act as Data Processors on behalf of the EBU, to whom they send members' contact data and game results. They may use other Data Processors, such as Bridgewebs or Pianola, in doing this.
- Clubs may use for their own purposes, without limitation, scoring data submitted to the EBU and incorporated in the NGS & Master Points schemes.
- The EBU is the Data Controller with regard to its own data but also acts as a Data Processor for its counties, to whom it sends details of their members. It also processes results of games into its NGS and Master Points schemes and provides this information to clubs, counties and other event organisers for use when scoring.
- Data Controllers and Data Processors need to have contracts as described in [this summary](#) of the full document referenced above. We were hoping for templates of these contracts to be made available by the ICO but once it became clear that they were not going to do this (as far as we can discern), we adapted the contract template provided by the Sports and Recreation Alliance, trying to make it reflect the more reciprocal nature of our arrangements.
- A number of clubs expressed concerns with the original contract we provided and we have tried to take into account all of those concerns to produce a [modified club contract](#) that is available to be used in place of the original one issued, by any clubs who prefer.
- One aspect that caused considerable unhappiness was a clause requiring clubs to indemnify the EBU for damage under data protection legislation. This clause has been removed, but nevertheless clubs and their committees do still have liability for damage that might occur due to failing to comply with the relevant legislation.
- Some clubs have pointed out that they are not incorporated. It is still possible for their committee members to enter into contracts on behalf of those clubs and for them to apply to the club even if the committee subsequently changes composition. Many clubs will already have entered into contracts on this basis, such as for room hire.
- Clubs who have already agreed to an earlier contract may submit this one to replace the earlier one if they prefer. They may also propose changes to the contract to address their own concerns.
- [A county contract](#) is also available, based on the latest version of the club contract, though counties have not yet been asked to agree to this.
- Clause 3.5.3 of both contracts says each party agrees to:
 - not permit any third party to process any of the personal data without the other party's prior written consent, except where otherwise permitted by this agreement or where blanket permission has been given by the EBU;
- **The EBU hereby gives such blanket permission to all clubs and counties to permit Pianola and/or Bridgewebs to process such personal data on their behalf.**