

Data Protection Declaration

R+S Automotive GmbH is pleased about your visit on our website and your interest in our company.

1 Information regarding collection of personal data

(1) In the following, we provide information about the collection of personal data when using our website. Personal data are all data that can be related to you personally, e.g. name, address, e-mail addresses, user behavior.

(2) The responsible parties according to art. 4 para. 7 of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) of the EU, are:

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E-Mail: [datenschutzbeauftragter\(at\)rs-automotive.com](mailto:datenschutzbeauftragter(at)rs-automotive.com)

2 Your rights

(1) You have the following rights toward us with regard to the personal data concerning you:

- Right of information,
- Right of correction or deletion,
- Right of restricted data processing,
- Right of objection to data processing,
- Right of data transferability.

(2) Moreover, you also have the right to complain to a data protection supervisory authority about the processing of your personal data by us.

3 Collection of personal data when visiting our website

(1) If you use the website exclusively for informational purposes, it means, if you do not register or otherwise provide us with information, we only collect the personal data that your browser sends to our server.

If you wish to view our website, we collect the following data, which is technically necessary for us to display our website and to ensure its stability and security (the legal basis is art. 6 para. 1 page 1 letter f of the GDPR):

- IP address
- Date and time of the request

- Time zone difference to Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)
- Content of the request (concrete page)
- Access status / http status code
- Amount of data transmitted in each case
- Website from which the request comes
- Browser
- Operating system and its interface
- Language and version of the browser software.

This data is not collected continuously, but only when necessary for technical or security reasons.

There is no exploitation of the personal data, even if this may allow identification. If we evaluate the data, this is done in an anonymous way with the purpose of improving the attractiveness, content and functionality of our website.

Insofar as data is passed on to external service providers (web hoster), we take technical and organisational measures to ensure that data protection regulations are observed.

In accordance with art. 6 para. 1 letter f of the GDPR, the data is processed on the basis of our legitimated interests in improving our internet presence, such as the security, functionality and stability of our website.

The data will not be passed on or otherwise used. Should there be concrete evidence of illegal use of our website, we reserve the right to check the server log files subsequently.

(2) In addition to the above-mentioned data, cookies are stored on your computer when you use our website. Cookies are small text files that are stored on your hard drive, assigned to the browser you are using, and through which certain information flows to the site that sets the cookie (in this case by us). Cookies cannot execute programs or transfer viruses to your computer. They are used to make the website more user-friendly and effective overall.

4 Use of cookies:

This website uses the following types of cookies, the scope and function of which are explained below:

- Transient cookies
- Persistent cookies

Transient cookies are technically required and automatically deleted when you close the browser (legal basis: Art. 6 para. 1 S.1 lit. f GDPR). This includes in particular the session cookies. These cookies store a so-called session ID, which various requests from your browser can be assigned to the common session. This enables your computer to be recognized when you return to our website. The session cookies are deleted when you log out or close the browser.

Persistent cookies are automatically deleted after a specified period of time, which may vary depending on the cookie. You can delete the cookies in the security settings of your browser at any time. These cookies are only set if and after you gave your consent (legal basis: Art. 6 para. 1 S.1 lit. a GDPR).

You can configure your browser settings according to your wishes and, e.g. refuse to accept third-party cookies or all cookies. If doing so, please note that you may not be able to use all functions of this website.

5 Further functions and offers of our website

(1) In addition to the exclusively informative use of our website, we offer various services which you can use if you are interested in. Personal data is only collected if you provide us with this information voluntarily, e.g. in the course of a registration and by sending e-mails, e.g. for the initiation or execution of a contract.

(2) In some cases, we use external service providers to process your data. These have been carefully selected and commissioned by us, are bound by our instructions and are checked regularly.

(3) If you register as a user in the employee / supplier portal on our website, the user ID required for registration is also stored.

(4) The data is processed in accordance with art. 6 para. 1 letter b of the GDPR for the initiation or execution of a contract or in our legitimate interest in accordance with art. 6 para. 1 letter f of the GDPR, to answer your request.

(5) Insofar as our service providers or partners are based in a state outside the European Economic Area (EEA), we shall inform you of the consequences of this circumstance in the description of the offer.

6 Objection or revocation against the processing of your data

(1) If you have given your consent to the processing of your data, you can revoke this consent at any time. Such revocation will affect the permissibility of processing your personal data after you have given it to us.

(2) Insofar as we base the processing of your personal data on the weighing of interest, you may object to the processing. This is the case if the processing is in particular not necessary for the fulfilment of a contract with you, which is described by us in the following description of the functions. In the event of such an objection, we ask you to explain the reasons why we should not process your personal data as we have done. In the event of your justified objection, we will examine the facts of the case and will either stop or adapt the data processing or show you our compelling reasons worthy of protection on the basis of which we will continue the processing.

7 SSL Encryption

This site uses SSL encryption for security reasons and to protect the transmission of confidential content, such as the request you send to us as the site operator. You can recognize an encrypted connection by the fact that the address line of your browser changes from "http://" to "https://" and by the lock symbol in your browser line. If the SSL encryption is activated, the data that you transmit to us cannot be read by third parties.

8 Google Analytics

If you have given your consent, this website uses Google Analytics, a web analysis service of Google LLC. The responsible service provider in the EU is Google Ireland Limited, Gordon House, Barrow Street, Dublin 4, Ireland ("Google").

Scope of processing

Google Analytics uses cookies that enable an analysis of your use of our website. The information collected by the cookies about your use of this website is usually transferred to a Google server in the USA and stored.

We use the function 'anonymizeIP' (so-called IP-Masking): Due to the activation of IP-anonymization on this website, your IP-address will be shortened by Google within member states of the European Union or in other signatory states of the Agreement on the European Economic Area. Only in exceptional cases the full IP address will be transferred to a Google server in the USA and shortened there. The IP address transmitted by your browser within the framework of Google Analytics is not merged with other data from Google.

During your website visit the following data will be collected:

- the pages you call up, your "click behaviour"
- Achievement of "website goals" (conversions, e.g. newsletter registrations, downloads, purchases)
- Your user behavior (for example clicks, dwell time, bounce rates)
- Your approximate location (region)
- Your IP address (in abbreviated form)
- technical information about your browser and the end devices you use (e.g. language settings, screen resolution)
- Your internet provider
- the referrer URL (via which website/advertising medium you came to this website)

Purposes of processing

On behalf of the operator of this website, Google will use this information to evaluate your (pseudonymous [NOT USER ID]) use of the website and to compile reports on website activity. The reports provided by Google Analytics serve to analyse the performance of our website [OPTIONAL] and the success of our marketing campaigns.

Recipient

The data recipient is

- Google Ireland Limited, Gordon House, Barrow Street, Dublin 4, Ireland

as data processor. For this purpose we have concluded a contract with Google. Google LLC, headquartered in California, USA, and, if applicable, US authorities can access the data stored at Google.

Transfer to third countries

A transfer of data to the USA cannot be excluded.

Duration of storage

The data sent by us and linked to cookies is automatically deleted after 14 months. Data is automatically deleted once a month as soon as the storage period is reached.

You can also prevent the collection of data generated by the cookie and related to your use of the website (including your IP address) to Google and the processing of this data by Google by

- a. not giving your consent to the setting of the cookie or
- b. downloading and installing the browser add-on to disable Google Analytics [HERE](#).

By setting your browser software accordingly you can also prevent the storage of cookies. If your browser is set to refuse all cookies, the functionality of this and other websites may be limited.

Legal basis and right of withdrawal

Your consent is the legal basis for this data processing, Art.6 para.1 S.1 lit.a GDPR. You can revoke your consent at any time with effect for the future by changing your selection in the cookie settings [[LINK TO CONSENT TOOL SETTINGS HERE](#)].

For more information about Google Analytics terms of use and Google's privacy policy, please visit <https://marketingplatform.google.com/about/analytics/terms/gb/> and <https://policies.google.com/?hl=en>.

9 YouTube

(1) We have integrated YouTube videos into our online offer, which are stored on www.YouTube.com and can be played directly from our website, after your consent (legal basis: Art. 6 para. 1 S.1 lit. a GDPR).

Provider: **Google Ireland Limited, Gordon House, Barrow Street, Dublin 4, Ireland.**

These are integrated in „extended data protection mode“, it means, no data about you as a user is transferred to YouTube if you do not play the videos. Only when you play the videos, data referred to, in paragraph 2, will be transmitted. We have no influence on this data transfer.

(2) By visiting the website, Youtube receives the information that you have called up the corresponding subpage of our website. In addition, the data mentioned in paragraph 3 of this declaration is transmitted. This occurs regardless of whether YouTube provides a user account through which you are logged in or whether no user account exists. If you are logged in at Google, your data will be assigned directly to your account. If you do not want your profile to be associated with YouTube, you must log out before activating the button. YouTube stores your data as user profiles and uses them for the purposes of advertising, market research and/or demand-oriented design of its website. Such evaluation is carried out in particular (even for users who are not logged in) for the purpose of providing advertising tailored to your needs and to inform other users of the social network about your activities on our website. You have a right of objection to the creation of these user profiles, whereby you must contact YouTube in order to exercise this right.

(3) Google as operator of YouTube is solely responsible for this data processing. Further information on the purpose and scope of data collection and its processing by YouTube can be found in the Data Protection Declaration. There you will also find further information on your rights and setting options to protect your privacy: <https://policies.google.com/privacy?hl=de>

10 Google Maps

On our website, we use Google Maps (API) from **Google Ireland Limited, Gordon House, Barrow Street, Dublin 4, Ireland** (“Google”).

Google Maps is a web service for the display of interactive (land) maps to visually present geographical information. By using this service, our location will be displayed to you and any approach will be made easier.

When you access the sub-pages in which the Google Maps map is integrated, information about your use of our website (such as your IP address) is transmitted to Google servers in the USA and stored there. This is done regardless of whether Google provides a user account through which you are logged in or whether no user account exists.

If you are logged in at Google, your data will be assigned directly to your profile on Google, you must log out before activating the button. Google may store your data (even for users who are not logged in) as user profiles and evaluate them, after your consent (legal basis: Art. 6 para. 1 S.1 lit. a GDPR).

The collection, storage and evaluation are carried out in accordance with art. 6 para. 1 letter f of the GDPR on the basis of Google’s legitimate interests in the display of personalized advertising, market research and/or the design of Google websites to meet requirements. You have a right of objection to the creation of these user profiles, whereby you must contact Google to exercise this right. If you do not agree with the future transmission of your data to Google within the framework of the use of Google Maps, there is also the possibility of completely deactivating the Google Maps web service by switching off the JavaScript application in your browser. Google Maps and thus the map display on this website cannot then be used.

You can read the Google terms of use at: <http://www.google.de/intl/de/policies/terms/regional.html>

The additional terms of use for Google Maps can be found at:

https://www.google.com/intl/de_US/help/terms_maps.html.

Detailed information on data protection in connection with the use of Google Maps can be found on the Google website („Google Privacy Policy“): <http://www.google.de/intl/de/policies/privacy/>.

11 Use of Social Media Plugins

- (1) We currently use the following social media plugins: Xing, LinkedIn, YouTube.
- (2) We use the so-called two-click solution. This means that when you visit our site, no personal data is initially passed on to the providers of the plugins. You can recognize the provider of the plugin by the marking on the box by its initial letter or logo. We give you the opportunity to directly communicate with the provider of the plugin via the button. Only if you click on the marked box and thereby activate it, the plugin provider will receive the information that you have accessed the corresponding website of our online offer. In addition to, the data mentioned under point 3 of this declaration is transmitted. In the case of Xing, according to the respective providers in Germany, the IP address is anonymized immediately after it is collected. By activating the plugin, therefore, personal data is transmitted from you to the respective plugin provider and stored there (in the case of US providers in the USA). Since the plugin provider collects data in particular via cookies, we recommend that you delete all cookies via your browser’s security settings before clicking on the greyed-out box.

- (3) We have no influence on the collected data and data processing procedures, nor are we aware of the full scope of data collection, the purposes of processing, the storage periods. We also have no information about the deletion of the collected data by the plugin provider.
- (4) The plugin provider stores the data collected about you as user profiles and uses these for the purposes of advertising, market research and/or the design of its website to meet requirements. Such an evaluation is carried out in particular (also for users who are not logged in) for the purpose of presenting need-based advertising and to inform other users of the social network about your activities on our website. You have the right to object to the creation of these user profiles, whereby you must contact the respective plug-in provider to exercise this right. Via the plugins, we offer you the possibility to interact with the social networks and other users, so that we can improve our offer and make it more interesting for you as a user.
The legal basis for the integration of the plugins is art. 6 para. 1 letter f of the GDPR.
- (5) The data is passed on regardless of whether you have an account with the plugin provider and are logged in there. If you are logged in with the plugin provider, the data collected by us will be directly assigned to your existing account with the plugin provider. If you click on the activated button and, e.g. link the page, the plugin provider will also save this information in your user account and share it publicly with your contacts. We recommend that you log out regularly after using a social network, but especially before activating the button, as you can then avoid being assigned to your profile with the plugin provider.
- (6) Further information on the purpose and scope of data collection and its processing by the plugin provider can be found in the data protection declarations of these providers, which are provided below. There you will also find further information on your rights in this regard and setting options for protecting your privacy.
- (7) Addresses of the respective plugin providers and URL with their data protection information:
 - a) New York SE, Dammtorstraße 30, 20354 Hamburg for Xing
<https://privacy.xing.com/de/datenschutzerklaerung>
 - b) LinkedIn Corporation, 2029 Stierlin Court, Mountain View, California 94043, USA
https://www.linkedin.com/legal/privacy-policy?_l=de_DE
 - c) YouTube, von Google Ireland Limited, Gordon House, Barrow Street, Dublin 4, Irland
<http://www.google.de/intl/de/policies/privacy/>

Contact

If you have any problems, questions or suggestions, please contact our data protection officer under:

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Reservation

The constant development of the internet makes it necessary to adapt our data protection declaration from time to time. We therefore reserve the right to make appropriate changes at any time.