The Surly Curmudgeon
Cookie Policy

In a Nutshell

Cookies are harmless small text files which are stored on a website visitor's own device. All browsers have a mechanism for their users to view, manage, or delete cookies stored on their devices. Cookies almost never contain personal information, but it is technically possible that they might. European Law requires all websites visited by EU citizens to post a warning informing visitors that the website stores cookies, and allowing them the option to disallow that. But if a visitor chooses to disallow cookies, it is possible – even likely – that the visitor will be unable to access some or all the website's functions.

Please Read (We'll Assume You Did)

Please read this policy carefully to understand what cookies are, how The Surly Curmudgeon uses them, the types of cookies used, the information collected using cookies, how that information is used, and how to control your cookie preferences. For further information on how The Surly Curmudgeon stores and secures your information see the Terms of Service and Privacy Policy.

You have the right to change or withdraw your consent to The Surly Curmudgeon's use of cookies at any time; however, please understand that if you do not consent to this cookie policy, you will be unable to access The Surly Curmudgeon. By visiting The Surly Curmudgeon, you agree that you have read, understood, and will comply with both this Cookie Policy and The Surly Curmudgeon's Terms of Service and Privacy Policy.

Your consent to these policies applies to the following domains: huppbrian.us

Your current state: Consent accepted. Manage your consent.

What Are Cookies?

Cookies are small text files that websites store on visitors' devices. The cookies are stored on the visitor's device when the website is loaded by the visitor's browser. Cookies allow the website to function properly, make the website more secure, improve the visitors' experience, enable website managers to understand and control how the website performs and to understand how visitors interact with the website.

How Are Cookies Used?

Cookies may be either first-party or third-party cookies. First-party cookies are needed for the website to function as intended. They do not collect any personally identifiable information (PII). Third-party cookies are used to keep track of how a website performs and how visitors interact with a website, to secure website services, to provide visitor-relevant advertisements, and to improve visitors' experience on return visits.

Cookie Types

Essential: Some cookies are essential for visitors to experience the full functionality of a website. For example, such cookies might be used to establish and manage secure user login sessions. No personal information is stored by such cookies. For example, these essential cookies might be used to control user login/logout processes or in e-commerce shopping cart management.

Statistics: These cookies store information like the number of visitors to the website, the number of unique visitors, which pages of the website have been visited, the source of the visit etc. This information helps website managers understand and analyze how well the website performs and where it needs improvement.

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Marketing: These cookies are used to personalize advertisements shown to visitors. They may also be used to track how effectively advertisements are being targeted. The information stored in these cookies may also be used by the third-party ad providers to show targeted ads on other websites.

Functional: These are the cookies that enable certain non-essential website functions such as embedding content like videos provided by a video streaming service like YouTube or sharing a website's content on social media platforms.

Preferences: These cookies store settings and browsing preferences like language preferences so visitors don't have to re-enter them on future visits. Ironically, preference cookies are used to store visitor acceptance of a website's cookie usage and visitor cookie settings, so the cookie usage notification banner isn't displayed when a visitor who has already accepted a website's cookie use policy returns to the site later.

How Can I Control My Cookie Preferences?

Visitor cookie preferences are stored (ironically in a cookie) at the time a visitor accepts the website cookie use policy. By default, all cookies (essential and non-essential) are accepted. If a visitor decides later on to change cookie settings or withdraw cookie acceptance altogether, the existing cookie preference cookie(s) must first be deleted in the visitor's browser. Specific procedures for accomplishing this vary from browser to browser. After the cookie preference cookies have been removed from the visitor's machine, the next time that visitor visits the site, the cookie usage notification banner will be re-displayed, and the visitor will then have the opportunity to change cookie preferences and then re-accept the cookie usage policy.

In addition to this, browsers provide various methods to block and delete cookies used by websites. You can change the settings of your browser to block/delete the cookies. To find out more out more on how to manage and delete cookies, refer to your browser's documentation or visit www.allaboutcookies.org.