

The New York State Council of Trout Unlimited Donor Privacy Policy

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Donors are important partners in the mission and work of The New York State Council of Trout Unlimited (“NYSCTU”) and Trout Unlimited (“TU”). We value your contributions, whether financial, volunteering or sharing your expertise. NYSCTU is committed to respecting the privacy of our donors.

This Donor Privacy Policy (“the Policy”) applies to collection, use and protection of personal information, obtained on our website. By submitting your personal information to us in any manner, you consent to the terms and conditions of the Policy and to our processing personal information for the purposes stated below.

Personal Information Collected

“Personal Information” is information that identifies you personally, such as your name, address, telephone number, and email address. This is the type of information we collect when you register for an event or make a contribution:

- Contact Information: name, organization/company, complete address, telephone number, email address
- Payment Information: amount paid as an event registration fee or as a donation, payment date, and payment method (check, credit card, etc.).
- Non-personally identifiable information, such as the number of hits each NYSCTU website page receives, and whether the visitor is a repeat or new. This requires that a “cookie” be sent to your web browser (See the section below “Use of Cookies”).
- From time to time, we may collect personal information from you in ways not described above.

How Information Is Used

NYSCTU uses your data to maintain records of event registrations and donations, to mail tax and other acknowledgements, to send newsletters and notices via Email or direct mail, and for other marketing purposes.

NYSCTU will normally add your contact information to our distribution list, unless you request otherwise. All third-party services are contractually obligated to maintain the confidentiality of the lists and are prohibited from transferring to any other organization.

Security of Your Personal Information

NYSCTU secures the personal information you provide on computer servers in a controlled, secure environment, protected from unauthorized access, use or disclosure.

The NYSCTU website uses industry standard procedures and safeguards to protect your information. Many donors use credit cards for donations. We protect the security of credit card transactions using several measures such as encryption, access controls, network firewalls, and physical security. These measures make it extremely difficult but not impossible for anyone to intercept the credit card information you send to us. When we work with other companies to process credit card transactions, those companies also use encryption such as the Secure Socket Layer (SSL) protocol and other appropriate security measures.

Donor Recognition

Donors' names but not the specific amount of their dollar contributions may be publicized in NYSCTU materials including print and/or web-based media. If you do not wish to your name to appear in these materials or be otherwise published, please contact us via Email to Advancement@newyorkcouncil-tu.org or by mail to the New York State Council of Trout Unlimited, 185 West John Street, Hicksville, NY 11802. Alternatively, when you make your contribution, you may specify that it is "Anonymous" in which case your identity only will be known to NYSCTU.

Use of Cookies

The NYSCTU Web site uses "cookies" to help you personalize your online experience. A cookie is a text file that is placed on your hard disk by a Web page server. Cookies cannot be used to run programs or deliver viruses to your computer. Cookies are uniquely assigned to you, and can only be read by a web server in the domain that issued the cookie to you. One of the primary purposes of cookies is to provide a convenience feature to save you time.

You may reject cookies. Most Web browsers automatically accept cookies, but you can usually modify your browser setting to decline cookies. If you decline cookies, you may not be able to experience fully some of the interactive or other features of the NYSCTU Web site you visit.

No Sharing of Personal Information

NYSCTU will not sell, rent, trade or transfer your personal information to outside organizations.

Removing Your Name from Our Distribution List

Please contact us if you wish to have your contact information removed from our distribution list via Email to hello@newyorkcouncil-tu.org or by mail to the New York State Council of Trout Unlimited, 185 West John Street, Hicksville, NY 11802.

Links to Other Sites

For your convenience, the NYSCTU site contains links, or addresses, that you can simply click to open other useful sites on which NYSCTU does not control the content or privacy policy. These third-party sites have separate and independent privacy policies, and NYSCTU bears no responsibility or liability for the content and activities of these linked sites. Accordingly, you should carefully review the approach these sites take to your privacy before you use them or provide them with information.

Law Enforcement, Government Agencies, and Courts

We may disclose Personal Information at the request of law enforcement or government agencies or in response to subpoenas, court orders, or other legal process to establish, protect, or exercise our legal or other rights or to defend against a legal claim or as otherwise required or allowed by law, or to protect the rights, property, or safety of a member or any other person. We may also disclose Personal Information to investigate or prevent a violation by you of any contractual or other relationship with us or your illegal or harmful activity.

Changes to This Privacy Policy

This Privacy Policy is current as of the date shown above. NYSCTU reserves the right to change this Privacy Policy from time to time. When we do, we will note the last update at the top of this Privacy Policy.