

IDR uses different types of cookies across our website [www.idrgroup.com](http://www.idrgroup.com) and application <https://app.theidregister.com>.

The types of cookies that are used on our website and application are detailed in the tables below.

Please view our [Cookie Policy](#) if you would like more information about how and why we use cookies.

## Application

### Security – Necessary cookies

Cookie name & type	Provider	Purpose	Expiration
<b>Two factor verification</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Necessary cookies</li> </ul>	app.theidregister.com	Provides email and SMS two factor authentication	14 days
<b>Application</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Necessary cookies</li> </ul>	app.theidregister.com	To identify the current user	20 minutes
<b>Request verification token</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Necessary cookies</li> </ul>	app.theidregister.com	To prevent cross site request forgery attacks	20 minutes

### Helpdesk widget – Necessary cookies

Cookie name & type	Provider	Purpose	Expiration
<b>_ga cookie</b> <b>_gcl_au</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Necessary cookies</li> </ul>	Freshdesk.com	Registers a unique ID that is used to generate statistical data on how the visitor uses the application	2 years

### Application insights

Cookie name & type	Provider	Purpose	Expiration
<b>ai_session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Necessary cookies</li> </ul>	app.theidregister.com	This is a unique anonymous identifier cookie	20 minutes
<b>ai_user</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Necessary cookies</li> </ul>	app.theidregister.com	This is a unique user identifier cookie enabling counting of the number of users accessing the application over time	1 year

## Website

### Statistics

Cookie name & type	Provider	Purpose	Expiration
<b>_ga</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Functionality cookie</b></li> </ul>	google-analytics.com	Registers a unique ID that is used to generate statistical data on how the visitor uses the website	2 years
<b>_gat</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Necessary cookies</b></li> </ul>	google-analytics.com	Used by Google Analytics to throttle request rate	1 minute
<b>_gid</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Functionality cookie</b></li> </ul>	google-analytics.com	Registers a unique ID that is used to generate statistical data on how the visitor uses the website	24 hours
<b>Collect</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Marketing cookie</b></li> </ul>	google-analytics.com	Used to send data to Google Analytics about the visitor's device and behaviour. Tracks the visitor across devices and marketing channels	Session  (pixel tracker)
<b>p.gif</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Functionality cookie</b></li> </ul>	typekit.net	Keeps track of special fonts used on the web site for internal analysis. The cookie does not register any visitor data	Session  (pixel tracker)

## Marketing

Cookie type	Provider	Purpose	Expiration
<b>GPS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Functionality cookie</b></li> </ul>	youtube.com	Registers a unique ID on mobile devices to enable tracking based on geographical GPS location	1 Day
<b>IDE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Marketing cookie</b></li> </ul>	doubleclick.net	Used by Google DoubleClick to register and report the web site user's actions after viewing or clicking one of the advertiser's ads with the purpose of measuring the efficacy of an ad and presenting targeted ads to the user.	1 Year
<b>_gcl</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Marketing cookie</b></li> </ul>	google-analytics.com	This is used by Google analytics to help advertisers determine how many times users who click on their ads end up taking an action on their site.	90 Days
<b>_gac_</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Marketing cookie</b></li> </ul>	google-analytics.com	These cookies come from Google Analytics and are used by advertisers to measure user activity and the performance of their ad campaigns	90 Days
<b>_gads</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Marketing cookie</b></li> </ul>	google-analytics.com	Enables sites to show Google ads	13 months
<b>PREF</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Marketing cookie</b></li> </ul>	youtube.com	Registers a unique ID that is used by Google to keep statistics of how the visitor	8 Months

		uses YouTube videos across different websites	
<b>VISITOR_INFO1_LIVE</b> • <b>Functionality cookie</b>	youtube.com	Tries to estimate the user's bandwidth on pages with integrated YouTube videos	179 Days
<b>YSC</b> • <b>Marketing cookie</b>	youtube.com	Registers a unique ID to keep statistics of what videos from YouTube the user has seen	Session
<b>yt-remote-cast-installed [x2]</b> • <b>Functionality cookie</b>	youtube.com youtube-nocookie.com	Stores the user's video player preferences using embedded YouTube video	Session
<b>yt-remote-device-id [x2]</b> • <b>Functionality cookie</b>	youtube.com youtube-nocookie.com	Stores the user's video player preferences using embedded YouTube video	Persistent
<b>yt-remote-fast-check-period [x2]</b> • <b>Functionality cookie</b>	youtube.com youtube-nocookie.com	Stores the user's video player preferences using embedded YouTube video	Session
<b>; yt-remote-session-app [x2]</b> • <b>Functionality cookie</b>	youtube.com youtube-nocookie.com	Stores the user's video player preferences using embedded YouTube video	Session
<b>yt-remote-session-name [x2]</b> • <b>Functionality cookie</b>	youtube.com youtube-nocookie.com	Stores the user's video player preferences using embedded YouTube video	Session
<b>yt-remote-connected-devices [x2]</b> • <b>Functionality cookie</b>	youtube.com youtube-nocookie.com	Stores the user's video player preferences using embedded YouTube video	Persistent