

# SOWM Website: Cookies

## What are cookies?

Cookies are small text files that are placed on your computer for a predetermined length of time, some cookies expire when you close your web browser, others expire after several years. They are **not** programs. They act as a kind of memory for your web browser and are often used to save things like preferences.

## What are they used for?

The use of a cookie varies from site to site. Details of some of the cookies we use are provided below.

Cookie Name	Cookie Purpose
DYNSRV	Analytics.
PHPSESSID	Allows the server to differentiate you from other users.
RememberMe	A unique ID that allows you to login automatically if you checked the 'Remember Me' option.
euCookie	To ensure the cookie warning message is not displayed again.

Cookies will be set by Facebook as a social button is integrated into the footer of the website.  
Cookies will be set by Google as we use Google Analytics.

## Are they safe?

We never store sensitive information in a cookie. Any data that has a direct bearing on security, i.e. automatic logins, is cryptographically secure. The cookie will store a random series of characters that identify you but are not permanently tied to you. This is why you can delete other login cookies from the dashboard.