

Privacy Policy for GeoVine

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Your Privacy Rights

This Privacy Policy describes your privacy rights regarding our collection, use, storage, sharing, and protection of your information. It applies to the GeoVine services from geovine.org.

Consent

You will need to explicitly accept this Privacy Policy at the time you sign up for GeoVine. Your use of GeoVine that does not require sign-up constitutes implicit acceptance of these terms. This Privacy Policy is intended to govern the use of GeoVine by our users and will be accessible on every page of GeoVine.

Notification of Changes

We may make changes to this Privacy Policy from time to time to reflect changes in GeoVine. We will post any revisions to our website, along with a brief summary of changes and the date the policy became effective. We reserve the right to make these changes without notice. As a courtesy, if you have created an account with us we will attempt to notify you 30 days or more before the changes are put in place.

Types of Information We Collect

We collect the following types of information in order to provide you with the best experience possible.

Anonymous Usage Data

We use [Google Analytics](#) and [Sentry](#) to collect anonymous usage data of GeoVine.

What information we collect:

- the time you spent on our site
- the time you spent on each page
- the order in which you visited pages
- the internal links you clicked
- your [IP address](#)

- your browser's [user agent](#) string
- your geographical location
- the browser you used
- your Operating System
- the screen size of your device
- whether or not you have Java and Flash installed on your device
- the site referring you to our site
- error messages

To distinguish between page visits by different users, Google Analytics stores a cookie on your computer.

The cookie contains:

- a name identifying the cookie (by default, the name is "_ga")
- the URL of our site (geovine.org)
- the date the cookie expires and is automatically removed (usually two years from your first visit)

Why we collect this information:

We use this information for usage statistics and in order to improve our site and services

Your choice:

You can *opt out* of the collection of usage data through Google Analytics on any website [here](#).

Account Information

Some of our services allow you to create an account to effectively manage the information you contribute, as well as to gain access to information shared by other users.

What information we collect:

- your email address
- your name
- your company
- your state
- affiliations with government or businesses (as provided by you)
- the data you upload through our website

Why we collect this information:

We use your email address for identification and as a way to contact you, if necessary and to send reports and updates if you choose.

Your choice:

Creating an account is completely optional. You will also have limited control over choosing who can see your account information. A limited set of staff at CGIT will always be able to access

this information for maintenance purposes. An account is required to gain access to certain information shared by other users!

Service Specific Data

The value of our services increases with information contributed by our users. For that reason, we may ask you to contribute information through a web form.

Site Evaluation Reports

Site evaluation reports assess several topological and climatological features of a site.

What information we collect:

- Site name
- Site outline

How You Can Manage Your Information

Should you choose to create an account for GeoVine, you always have the option of deleting any information you contributed with the exception of the record of reports you've run (consisting of site outline, date run, and the result pdf). You can also delete your account at any time. Select CGIT staff will always be able to see any information you provide.

How We Share Information with Third Parties

We will never share your personal or account information (including name, email address, or postal address) with a third party. Co-operating organizations (including, but not limited to the Virginia Wine Board) are exempt from this. All co-operating organizations will be listed on GeoVine. We will never share any of your service-specific data with third parties without your expressed consent.

How We Use Cookies and Similar Technologies

When you access our website or use Broadband Services, we place several small text files (called "Cookies") on your computer or other device. As mentioned above, we use one of the cookies to collect usage statistics through Google Analytics. We use the another cookie for authentication purposes, should you sign up for an account, and does not contain any personally identifiable information.

You are free to decline our Cookies if your browser or browser add-on permits it. Declining our Cookies **will** interfere with your use of our website and GeoVine requiring an account by preventing you from being able to log in.

We do not use any other tracking technologies like social media tracking/sharing buttons, flash cookies, pixel tags, or e-tags. However, we do use resources provided by other entities, who may use these technologies.

Do Not Track: Do Not Track (DNT) is an optional browser setting that allows you to express your preferences regarding tracking by advertisers and other third-parties. We do not currently respond to DNT signals.

How We Protect and Store Information

The protection of your privacy is our top priority! We always strive to meet or exceed industry standards in terms of technical, administrative, and physical safeguards to reduce the risks of loss, misuse, unauthorized access, disclosure and alteration. Some of the safeguards we use are firewalls and data encryption, physical access controls to our servers, and information access authorization controls.

Whenever you interact with our site or the GeoVine, we will encrypt any information exchanged between you and our servers through HTTPS.

If you create an account, we will encrypt the password you choose. We will not access your information, except in the case of maintenance or the above stated purposes. We do not have access to your password, which is stored in an encrypted format. In the unlikely case of a security breach, we will immediately inform you about the extent of the breach, the information accessed, as well as any measures taken to resolve the situation. Should you notice any suspicious activity on your account, please notify us immediately!

How You Can Contact Us about Privacy Questions

Should you have any questions, concerns, or other feedback you want to share with us concerning this Privacy Policy, you can contact us at cgitsupport@vt.edu