

# GIMP team's Privacy Policy

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## Caveats

- GIMP is able to load or save files on remote access (for some protocols and platforms). If you choose to load or save a remote file, your IP or other private data might be shared as part of the normal connection flow for the given protocol. This is out of our control and it is up to you to decide whether you trust a remote host.
- GIMP is meant to manipulate image files which usually contain all types of metadata. It is your responsibility to verify the metadata contained in your files before you share them with others.
- While running and for subsequent runs, GIMP uses local persistent storage for logs, configuration files, cache, thumbnails,

recently accessed files and other information which may contain private data. This stays on local storage.

- When reading the online version of the User Manual within GIMP, manual contents is requested through [HTTPS](https://www.gimp.org/about/privacy.html) connections.
- The Windows universal installer and macOS packages are built with an “update check” option to verify, through an [HTTPS](https://www.gimp.org/about/privacy.html) connection requesting a static file, if new versions have been released, no more than once a week. Checking for new releases is the only purpose and nothing else is done.
- When we make GIMP officially available through a third-party distribution service (a.k.a. “store” or “repository”), such as the Microsoft Store or Flathub, then these service may gather some data as a generic usage. You should check their terms of service and see if you agree with them.
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