

Security and Privacy Policy

1. Authentication and User Account Security

Local Authentication Mechanism

Users are required to create an account with a valid email, a secure password, and a nickname. Passwords are securely hashed and stored.

Input Validation for Email

Email addresses are validated for proper format during the account creation process.

Verification of Email

An email verification process is implemented to ensure the validity of user-provided email addresses.

Account Disablement

If an account is flagged as disabled, users will be notified to contact the site administrator for assistance, and login access will be restricted.

2. Limited Functionality for Unauthenticated Users

Start Page

The start page displays the application name, a brief description of the site's offerings, and provides a login mechanism.

Search Functionality

Unauthenticated users can search for superheroes based on various criteria, with soft matching for search terms. Search results display hero names and publishers.

Public Hero Lists

Lists of public hero lists are accessible, showcasing their names, creators' nicknames, the number of heroes in each list, and average ratings. Additional details are expandable.

3. Additional Functionality for Authenticated Users

Named Lists of Heroes

Authenticated users can create and manage up to 20 named lists of heroes, each with a unique name, description, a collection of heroes, and a visibility flag (public or private).

List Management

Authenticated users have the ability to view, edit, and delete their created hero lists. Last edit times are recorded for tracking changes.

Review System

Authenticated users can contribute to the community by adding reviews with ratings and optional comments to any public hero list.

Privacy Considerations

Data Protection

All user data, including email addresses and passwords, is stored securely and is not shared with third parties.

Review Monitoring

Review comments are monitored for inappropriate content, and users violating community guidelines may face account suspension.

Terms of Service

User data is subject to the privacy policy outlined in the terms of service, emphasizing data protection and confidentiality.