Cookie Policy

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We use a deliberately small number of cookies and browser storage keys. We run no advertising trackers and no cross-site profiling.

What we set

- **Session token.** Strictly necessary. Keeps you signed in to your Noctic Account. Expires when the session ends or is refreshed.
- **Preferences.** Functional. Remembers appearance, language and interface choices on this device.
- **Security.** Strictly necessary. Supports rate limiting and abuse prevention.
- **Translation.** The English site is at noctic.ink, and each other language has its own address, such as noctic.ink/fr. On your first visit we take you to your device's language if we offer it, or, when we do not, to the language your time zone suggests. A page in another language sends its visible text to our translation provider. Choose English and you stay on the English address, where nothing is sent. We remember that choice on the device.

Controls

Strictly necessary keys cannot be disabled without breaking sign-in. Everything else can be cleared from your browser at any time. Translation is the one optional thing, and it happens only on a language's own address; to stop it, choose English from the notice, the footer or Settings.

How long each one lasts

`noctic_sso`	Your session, so that signing in once works across noctic.ink, account.noctic.ink and developer.noctic.ink. It carries your sign-in tokens, your user id and your email address. Thirty days if you asked to be remembered, otherwise until you close the browser. Cleared on sign-out.
`noctic_hop`	Twenty seconds. Tells the next page that you have just come from another Noctic site, so the move between them does not flash.
Browser storage	Your appearance, language and notification preferences, the same session, and a cache of translated phrases. Stored on the device until you clear it.

That is the complete list. There is no advertising cookie, no analytics cookie and no third-party script on this site at all.

Browser storage, not just cookies

Some preferences are kept in local storage rather than in a cookie: your appearance choice, your language, and a translation cache that stops the same phrase being sent for translation twice. These stay on your device. Clearing site data removes them.

Third parties

We set no advertising cookies and embed no advertising trackers. We do not run cross-site profiling and we do not participate in data co-operatives or identity graphs. Where a page loads something from another service, it is because that service is doing work you asked for, such as processing a payment.

Global Privacy Control

We honour the Global Privacy Control signal where your browser sends it. We do not sell or share personal information for advertising, so the practical effect is that we never move you to another language on our own and do not ask you to switch: nothing is sent to our translation provider unless you open a language's address yourself.

Consent

We set nothing beyond the strictly necessary keys and your preferences, for everyone, not only the regions that require it. The one thing that reaches another company on its own is translation, and only on a language's address: the first time we move you to one, a notice says so and offers English, and your answer is remembered on that device. If your browser sends a Global Privacy Control signal we do not move you at all.

Turning things off yourself

Every browser can block or clear cookies for a single site. Blocking the strictly necessary keys will stop sign-in from working, which is a limitation of how sessions work rather than a choice we made. Nothing else breaks.

Changes

If we add a cookie or a storage key, this page is updated before it ships, and the date at the top changes. Material changes are also noted in the Newsroom (noctic.ink/newsroom).

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