

# PRIVACY POLICY

## 1. Intro

This privacy and cookie policy deals with the processing of personal data by Thomas De Sterck Photography on its website [thomasdesterck.com](http://thomasdesterck.com) and offline, as well as the use of cookies on its websites.

Thomas De Sterck Photography is the controller for the processing of personal data, with registered seat at De Burletheide 37, 2930 Brasschaat and registered in the Crossroad of Enterprises under number 0679.966.238

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E-mail: [thomas@thomasdesterck.com](mailto:thomas@thomasdesterck.com)

When processing personal data, we act in accordance with the Belgian Act of 30 July 2018 on the protection of natural persons in relation to the processing of personal data and in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (hereinafter the "Privacy law").

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## 2. Privacy

### **Which data do we collect?**

Thomas De Sterck Photography collects and processes the following data:

- Personal data you provide us with for identification purposes: for example, your name, address, e-mail, telephone number when you get in contact with us and any additional information as a result of a contractual relationship.
- Personal data we may collect through the use of cookies: your IP address (see cookie policy below).

### **How do we collect your data?**

You directly provide Thomas De Sterck Photography with most of the data we collect. We collect data and process data when you:

- Subscribe for our newsletter or press list.
- You get into contact with us.
- You place an order for any of our products or services.
- Use or view our website via your activated browser's cookies.

Thomas De Sterck Photography may also receive your data indirectly from the following sources:

- Other sources that have obtained the data legally and are allowed to transfer that data to us for further use.

### **How will we use your data?**

We collect your data so that we can:

- Process your order of our products or services and manage your account (legal ground: performance of a contract).
- Send you newsletters/press mailings/personal mailings about our products/services. For such newsletters and mailing, you may always choose to opt-out and/or request us to stop contacting you (legal ground: your consent).

If we would process your personal data for any other purpose than the ones listed above, we will inform you beforehand.

### **How do we store your data?**

Thomas De Sterck Photography securely stores your data at secure facilities within the EEA. We have taken the necessary technical and organisational measures to protect the personal data we process.

### **How long will we store your data?**

We store your data for as long as necessary to perform any contract we may have with you or in case of newsletters/mailings until you unsubscribe from our database.

We also regularly clean up our database to keep all information relevant and up to date.

### **With whom will we share your data?**

We do not sell or share your personal data to/with any other party for commercial reasons. The reasons why we share your personal data with third parties are:

- You gave your consent for this.
- We have a legal obligation to share your personal data.
- We use third parties (technical partners) to allow us to achieve the purposes for which we collected your personal data (hosting, service providers newsletter/press list, etc.).

We make sure our partners adhere to this privacy policy and will only process personal data with respect for the Privacy law.

### **What are your data protection rights?**

You have several rights that you are able to exercise by contacting us through the contact details mentioned above:

- **The right to access and rectification**– You have the right to request Thomas De Sterck Photography for a copy of your personal data, and you have the right to request that Thomas De Sterck Photography corrects any information you believe is inaccurate. You also have the right to request Thomas De Sterck Photography to complete the information you believe is incomplete.
- **The right to erasure**– You have the right to request that Thomas De Sterck Photography erases your personal data, under certain conditions.
- **The right to restrict processing and to object to processing**– You have the right to request that Thomas De Sterck Photography restricts the processing of your personal data, or you may object to processing your personal data, both under certain conditions.
- **The right to data portability**– You have the right to request that Thomas De Sterck Photography transfers the data that we have collected to another organization, or directly to you, in a readable format.
- **The right to withdraw your consent** – You have the right at any moment to withdraw a previously given consent.
- **The right to lodge a complaint** – You have the right to lodge a complaint with the competent authority using following contact details: Gegevensbeschermingsautoriteit / Autorité de protection des données  
Drukpersstraat/Rue de la Presse 35, 1000 Brussel/Bruxelles  
+32 (0)2 274 48 00  
[contact@apd-gba.be](mailto:contact@apd-gba.be)
- **The right to object to direct marketing** – You have the right to object to the use of your personal data for direct marketing purposes.

If you make a request, we have one month to respond to you. If you would like to exercise any of these rights, please contact us using the contact details above.

### **Privacy policies of other websites**

Thomas De Sterck Photography websites contains links to other websites. Our privacy policy applies only to our websites (.com), so if you click on a link to another website, you should read their privacy policy.

### **Changes to our privacy policy**

Thomas De Sterck Photography reserves the right to update its privacy policy. This privacy policy was last updated on 01/08/2026.

## **3. Cookies**

Cookies are text files placed on your computer to collect standard server log information and visitor behaviour information. When you visit our website and your cookies activated, we may collect information from you automatically through cookies or similar technology.

### How do we use cookies?

Thomas De Sterck Photography uses cookies in limited ways in order to maintain and improve our online services and develop new ones, based on how visitors reach our websites and use our websites. We collect the following information for this purpose:

- IP address (which is anonymised before further use)
- Browser-information
- The external website that referred you
- The pages you visited on our website
- Time and date of each page visited by you
- Device information

### What types of cookies do we use?

Our website uses only Google Analytics as a functional cookie, for which different cookies are placed:

| Name | From   | Description                   | Active for |
|------|--------|-------------------------------|------------|
| _ga  | Google | Used to distinguish visitors  | 2 years    |
| _gid | Google | Used to distinguish visitors  | 24 hours   |
| _gat | Google | Used to throttle request rate | 1 minute   |

### How to manage cookies

You can set your browser not to accept cookies or decline cookies. However, in a few cases, some of our website features may not function as a result.