

SKF Forum _ Terms of use

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Terms of Use

Correlation to other documents

The “Terms of use” is complementary to

- the general [Privacy Policy of skf.com](#) as well as
- the [Cookie Policy](#) applies and
- The [Terms of Conditions](#)

Contacts

For forum related issues contact skfweb@skf.com

For general privacy policy questions please see the contact in our [Privacy Policy of skf.com](#).

Purpose of the Forum

External Forum

The SKF reliability forum is open to external as well as internal with an interest in plant reliability and condition monitoring. It facilitates knowledge sharing around reliability discussions and may feature frequently asked questions. Users can ask questions or participate in discussions.

Only information **intended for the public** shall be shared. The moderator has the responsibility to remind members of his forum to not share company confidential information.

Legal Bases for Processing

SKF will only collect and process personal information where there's a legal basis for such collection and processing. SKF relies on several legal bases, including:

- a. your consent to the processing of your personal information, which you can revoke at any time;
- b. where the processing of personal information is necessary for the performance of the forum.

Collection and use of user data

The forum is based on the third-party open source phpBB. To access to the SKF Forum, you need to register / log on skf.com.

When you access the forum, share or view information, SKF may collect, store and use certain of your personal information in line with the policy. Personal data is handled according to legal obligations. SKF will only collect and use personal data in the forum for the purpose of setting up a user account and for the sake of a dynamic forum. SKF's IT service partner may ask additional personal information for the sole purpose of resolving support issues.

Information stored for identification: The user's profile properties (user name, email address) from the registration in skf.com are automatically populated in the forum's profile. The email address serves as unique identification and will not be revealed in the forum. Moreover, SKF keeps track of their overall activity such as groups joined, posts, login time to be able to remove inactive accounts.

The type of rank is determined by the number of comments the members are posting. Some ranks may be assigned individually by moderators.

Optional Information: You may want to complete their profile to help other participants in the forum to get to know their field of expertise better. This may include but an alias user name, occupation, avatar, posts.

SKF will never knowingly use the information on SKF Forum for commercial purposes.

SKF retains personal data only as long as it is necessary in order to fulfill the purposes for which it was collected – to visit and participate in the forum. If you have not been logged in for one (1) year your user profile will be deleted.

Disclosure of your user data

Due to the nature of the forum, some of the user data is open to the members of the forum in the Members section or in the threads: Your (invented) user name, time of last login, number of posts, most active forum/topic. This data along with any public forum messages that you personally and freely choose to share, will immediately be made

visible to all members. Also, please keep in mind that this content could be copied or quoted anywhere, by anyone having access to the forum - and this with or without your consent. It will be accessible even if you choose to get your account deleted.

SKF is not responsible for the for the personal information you choose to make public in the forum and strongly recommend against sharing information that could directly or indirectly be traced to any individual, including yourself. Moderators will remove any personal information in the comments if not done by yourself.

Your rights

Any person can seek access to his or her own personal information collected in the SKF KC Forum. SKF will require that you provide SKF with appropriate identification (email address and user name). Please write to skfweb@skf.com.

If you wish to leave the forum, your profile will be removed upon request to skfweb@skf.com.

Please note that all personal data you may post in the forum, will be deleted upon notification as soon as the moderator has it identified.

All posts you have made are of technical nature and will not be removed from the forum.

Retention policy

SKF retains personal data only as long as it is necessary in order to fulfill the purposes of the forum. Administrators will periodically go through the user profiles to remove inactive accounts (accounts that have not logged in for one (1) year).

If a user does not comply with the Forum terms of use, SKF reserves the right to remove the user profile after warning via email.

At any time, you can ask to have removed your user profile and the posts by writing to skfweb@skf.com. Note that the information will only be removed in the SKF Forum. If you want to have removed your user information from other tools hosted by SKF you need to precise them in your mail.

What's more, in some cases we may not be able to comply with your request immediately due to the specific nature or purposes of some SKF hosted tools/programmes.

Roles and Responsibilities*

Administrators	Administrators are members assigned with the highest level of control over the entire board. These members can control all facets of board operation, including setting permissions, banning users, creating user groups or moderators, etc., dependent upon the board founder and what permissions he or she has given the other administrators. They may also have full moderator capabilities in all forums, depending on the settings put forth by the board founder.
Moderators	Moderators are individuals (or groups of individuals) who look after the forums from day to day. They have the authority to edit or delete posts and lock, unlock, move, delete and split topics in the forum they moderate. Generally, moderators are present to prevent users from going off-topic or posting abusive or offensive material.
Users	All users who would like to participate in a discussion or ask a question can create a topic, join a forum topic (unless it is locked by the admin to only allow a limited number of users to access), can edit or delete their own comment.

*Source: phpBB

Posting limitations

SKF expect your comments to be positive, constructive, and build your learning. Don't leave negative or mean comments, this doesn't help anyone learn. Some content should be avoided and is listed right below.

When you participate in conversations, make sure you do not reveal any personal details about yourself or share contact information (like email address, telephone number, Facebook or Snapchat ID).

Following types of posts / images not permitted include but are not limited to that

- Harass other users
- Invade the privacy of our member
- Incite violence against individuals, race, ethnicity or orientation.
- Contain unsolicited advertising of any service, goods, ...
- Infringe the copyright, trademark, or patent of an individual or corporation
- Promote / provides instructions about illegal activities

If you have found content that you believe is in violation of our Terms of Usage, please let the moderator know.

Search Before Posting

Many of the questions that are posted in the forums have been posted many times before and get the same answers each time. Before starting a new thread, search the forums for an answer.

It is possible to share by writing free text and images.

Language

The official language is English. If you choose to write in your local language, please add a translated version to your comment (via online translation tools).