

How do I import our contacts?

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You have option to import a list of contacts from a CSV file. These files are standard for most spreadsheet programs, such as Microsoft Excel. This feature allows you to easily import an existing list of non-member contacts and integrate it with your ClubRunner website.

1. To import your contact list you must log in to your member site. Next, click on the **Contacts** tab.



2. Now, click on the **Manage Contacts** or **Manage Groups** link. Either link will give you access to the **Import Contacts** tool.



3. At the top right of the page you will see a blue **Import Contacts** button. Click on this button.



4. This brings you to the **Import Contacts** page. On this page you have the option to download a CSV template compatible with ClubRunner. To download our template, click the blue **Download Template File** in the middle of the page. You must then type in new records, or copy/paste records from another file, matching your data to our column headings. Here are two considerations:

- Do not rename the column heading names in ClubRunner's CSV file.
- If you begin to input information into a section, you must input all the complete information for that section. E.g., if you input "Business Address1" you must continue on with "Business City," "Business State," "Business Zip Code" and "Business Country". Missing information in that section results in an input error.

Note: in our template **First name, last name and email address** are mandatory fields when importing contacts. The other fields can be left blank if you do not have the information.



If you already have an appropriate file, proceed to the next step.

5. Click the **Choose File** button to upload a file from your computer or local network. Remember, this must be a .CSV file.

Note: Depending on your browser, the **Choose File** button may instead be labelled **Browse**.

Select the .CSV file to upload: Choose File No file chosen

File Encoding: Auto

6. You now have the option specify the file's encoding. If you are unsure of this select **Auto**. If this results in an error you may select a different encoding and upload the file again.

Select the .CSV file to upload: Choose File AllContacts (3).csv

File Encoding: Auto

7. You must now confirm that you have permission to email all the contacts in this file. Click on the checkbox provided.

Note: You will be unable to proceed with the import if you do not click the confirmation.!

Confirm that you have permission to email all contacts

☒ You must have permission from each contact to be able to communicate with them. By checking this box, you confirm that the contact has opted in to receiving emails from you. Note that the contact can opt-out at any time via an Unsubscribe link.

Cancel Next

8. Click **Next** to upload the file.

Cancel Next

9. You are now asked to confirm the import of the contacts. You may review how the system has matched each field in your file to our own system. If a given field has been mismatched, it will appear here, marked with this icon:



Select ▼

Nickname ⚠

[Remove](#)

10. You may choose to match the missing field to an existing field. Click **Select** to activate a drop down menu of options.

Select ▼

Nickname ⚠

[Remove](#)

11. Alternately, you may choose to delete the field by clicking on **Remove**.

Select ▼

Nickname

Remove

12. Now you may review your contact data. You will see a list of contacts that have been automatically extracted from your CSV file. If you wish to remove a contact click the checkbox to the left of their name.

Note: In order to be successfully imported a contact MUST have an email address associated with their name.

	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix	Business Address1	Business Address2	Business Address3	Business City	Business State
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Howard	Phillip	Lovecraft						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eric		Blair						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Randolph		Carter						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Martina		Weymouth						

13. Click **Next** when you are ready to proceed.

Cancel

Next

14. On the next page you will see a list of valid imported contacts. If any contacts could not be imported they will be listed here, along with a reason for the import failure.

Title	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Address	Phone	Email
	Howard	Phillip	Lovecraft			hplovecraft@example.com
	Eric		Blair			orwell@example.com
	Randolph		Carter			kadath@example.com
	Martina		Weymouth			weymouth@example.com

15. You are now asked to choose the groups to which you wish to assign your imported contacts. Click the checkbox next to each relevant group or proceed to the next step if you do not want them in a group.

Note: All contacts will be assigned to the same group at this stage. If you wish to assign these contacts to different groups, do not select a group in this step.

Groups

☐ Community Partners
 ☐ Media Contacts
 ☐ Member Prospects
 ☐ Sponsors

16. When you're ready click **Finish**.

Cancel

Finish

**There is a maximum number of contacts you can have assigned to your Club. You can edit and remove existing contacts but you will not be able to add or import any new contacts. [Click here](#) to learn more about Contacts credits, or [contact us](#) to learn how you can add more contacts to your club.*

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