Privacy Policy — The Sports Judge

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This Privacy Policy describes how **The Sports Judge** ("the App," "we," "us," or "our") handles information when you use our iOS application.

If you do not agree with this policy, please do not use the App.

Summary

Topic	What we do
Account	No account or login is required.
Your locks & record	Locks you make, your record against the Judge, and saved Aggregator systems are stored **only on your device**. They are never uploaded.
Official Judge card	The weekly Judge card is published by the developer to Apple's **CloudKit** public database and downloaded by the App. Reading it requires no sign-in and sends no personal information.
AI	If the official card has not posted, a preview card is written **on your device** using Apple's on-device Foundation Models when available, or a formula. We do **not** send picks, scores, or prompts to a third-party AI service.
Live scores	The App loads public NFL schedule, score, spread, and standings feeds. That traffic does not include an account you create with us.
Purchases	Remove Ads and Judge Pro are processed by **Apple** through the App Store.
Free tier ads	We use **Google Mobile Ads** (AdMob) for **non-personalized** banner ads. Google may collect limited data for advertising and measurement as described below and in Google's policies.
Tracking	The App does **not** request App Tracking Transparency and does **not** use data for tracking as defined by Apple.

Who we are

The App is published by **Jean-Claude Moritz / DocApps.com, LLC** ("Developer").

- **App name:** The Sports Judge
- **Bundle identifier:** com.docapps.thesportsjudge
- **Privacy policy URL:** https://jean-claude-moritz.com/privacy-policy
- **Support / contact:** sales@docapps.com

This App is **entertainment opinion**. It is **not** a sportsbook, it does **not** take deposits or pay winnings, and it is **not** an official NFL product.

Information stored on your device

When you use the App, the following is stored **on your device** in the App's private storage:

- Cached NFL schedule, scores, spreads, closing lines, and standings used to show the week and season trends
- The weekly Judge card (official or on-device preview) and its grades
- **Your own locks**, your record against the Judge, and your saved Aggregator systems
- Appearance preference (system, light, or dark)
- Purchase entitlements (whether ads are removed and whether Judge Pro is unlocked)
- Temporary Aggregator PDF files and share images you create

We do **not** operate a server that stores your locks, record, systems, or Aggregator reports. Deleting the App deletes them.

Network requests the App makes

The App may contact:

- **Public ESPN NFL feeds** for schedule, scores, spreads, closing lines, and standings. These are public sports-data endpoints. We do not send your name, email, or an App account (the App has none). ESPN's handling of ordinary web/app traffic is governed by ESPN's own policies.
- **Apple CloudKit** (public database) to download the official weekly Judge card. This is a read-only request that does not require an iCloud sign-in and does not include your locks or any personal information.
- **Apple** for App Store purchases and receipt validation (StoreKit).
- **Google** for advertising when you are on the free tier (AdMob), as described below.

The App does **not** upload your locks, record, or saved systems anywhere.

On-device AI

When the official card has not been published yet, and on supported devices and iOS versions, the App uses Apple's **on-device Foundation Models** (Apple Intelligence) to write a preview card from the schedule and form already on the device.

- This processing happens **on your device**.
- We do **not** send card prompts, team names, spreads, or results to our servers or to a cloud AI API.
- If Apple Intelligence is not available, the App uses a last-season **formula** on the device instead.

Picks are **entertainment opinion**, not betting advice.

Permissions

The App does **not** request App Tracking Transparency or access the advertising identifier for cross-app tracking.

The App may ask permission to send **notifications** for optional game-day reminders (before kickoff and when a week wraps up). These reminders are scheduled **on your device**; no data is sent to us or to a notification service. You can turn them off in the App's Settings or in iPhone Settings.

Free tier: advertising (Google Mobile Ads)

If you use the App **without** Remove Ads or Judge Pro, you may see **banner advertisements** served through Google's **Mobile Ads SDK (AdMob)**. Ads are configured for **non-personalized** delivery; the App does not present an ATT prompt and does not use collected data for Apple-defined tracking.

When ads are shown, **Google** (and its partners) may collect and use information such as:

- Device identifiers used for advertising and fraud prevention (not for cross-app tracking by this App)
- IP address and coarse location derived from IP
- Ad interaction and performance data

This collection is governed by **Google's Privacy Policy** and related policies:

- https://policies.google.com/privacy
- https://support.google.com/admob/answer/6128543 (AdMob & privacy)

The App includes **SKAdNetwork** identifiers used for ad attribution on iOS.

Remove Ads and **Judge Pro** hide in-app banner ads. Purchasing does not retroactively limit data Google may have collected before you upgraded.

We do **not** sell your picks or record to advertisers.

In-app purchases

Remove Ads and **Judge Pro** are **one-time, non-consumable** in-app purchases processed by **Apple**. We do not receive your full payment card details.

Apple may provide us with purchase-related information (such as transaction status and entitlement) through StoreKit so we can hide ads and unlock Judge Pro (the full 10-lock Judge card and unlimited saved Aggregator systems).

Apple's handling of payment and account data is described in **Apple's Privacy Policy**: https://www.apple.com/legal/privacy/

Sharing

When you share an **Aggregator PDF** or a **You vs. The Judge** image, you send it to a destination **you** choose (Messages, Mail, Files, AirDrop, social apps, etc.). We do not control how those services handle the file.

What we do not do

- We do **not** require you to create an account with us.
- We do **not** operate a cloud database of your picks. The only cloud data is the official Judge card the developer publishes.
- We do **not** take bets, deposits, or payouts.
- We do **not** provide a sportsbook, odds-boosts, or gambling account.
- We do **not** send your weekly card to a third-party AI service.

Data retention and deletion

- Cached scores, cards, your locks, saved systems, and settings remain on your device until you **delete the App**.
- Uninstalling the App removes locally stored App data from that device, subject to iOS backup behavior if you use device backups.
- PDFs you saved or shared elsewhere are controlled by you and those services.

Security

We rely on **Apple's iOS platform security** (app sandboxing, encryption on supported devices, etc.) to protect data stored in the App's container. No method of storage is 100% secure; keep your device passcode/biometrics enabled.

Children's privacy

The App is not directed at children under 13 (or the minimum age in your jurisdiction). It is intended for adults. We do not knowingly collect personal information from children. If you believe a child has provided information through the App, contact us.

International users

The App may be available in various countries. If you use the App in the **European Economic Area**, **United Kingdom**, or other regions with privacy laws, you may have rights to access, correct, delete, or restrict certain processing of personal information.

Because picks and settings in this version are stored **on your device** and not on our servers, many requests can be fulfilled by you directly (delete the App). For questions about **advertising data** held by Google, see Google's privacy tools and policies. For **purchase** data, see Apple's account settings.

California privacy notice (summary)

California residents may have additional rights under the CCPA/CPRA regarding personal information collected by **third parties** such as ad partners. We do not sell personal information for money. Free-tier ads are non-personalized; see Google's disclosures and opt-out resources for any data Google processes.

Third-party services (summary)

Service	Role
Apple (iOS, on-device Foundation Models, App Store, StoreKit)	Platform, preview Judge card, purchases
Apple CloudKit (public database)	Delivers the official weekly Judge card (read-only for users)
Google (AdMob)	Advertising on free tier

Public ESPN NFL feeds	Schedule, scores, spreads, closing lines, and standings displayed in the App

Changes to this policy

We may update this Privacy Policy from time to time. We will post the updated version at https://jean-claude-moritz.com/privacy-policy and change the **Last updated** date. Continued use of the App after changes means you accept the updated policy.

Contact

Questions about this Privacy Policy or the App's privacy practices:

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App Store privacy labels

Apple's **App Privacy** details for the App (data types collected by the App and linked third-party SDKs) are shown on the App Store product page. Those labels should be read together with this policy. If you use the **free tier**, data collection related to **advertising** is primarily associated with **Google Mobile Ads**, as declared in App Store Connect.

This document is based on the behavior of The Sports Judge version 4.1 (build 9) as of the last updated date above. Features may change in future updates; we will update this policy when practices change materially.