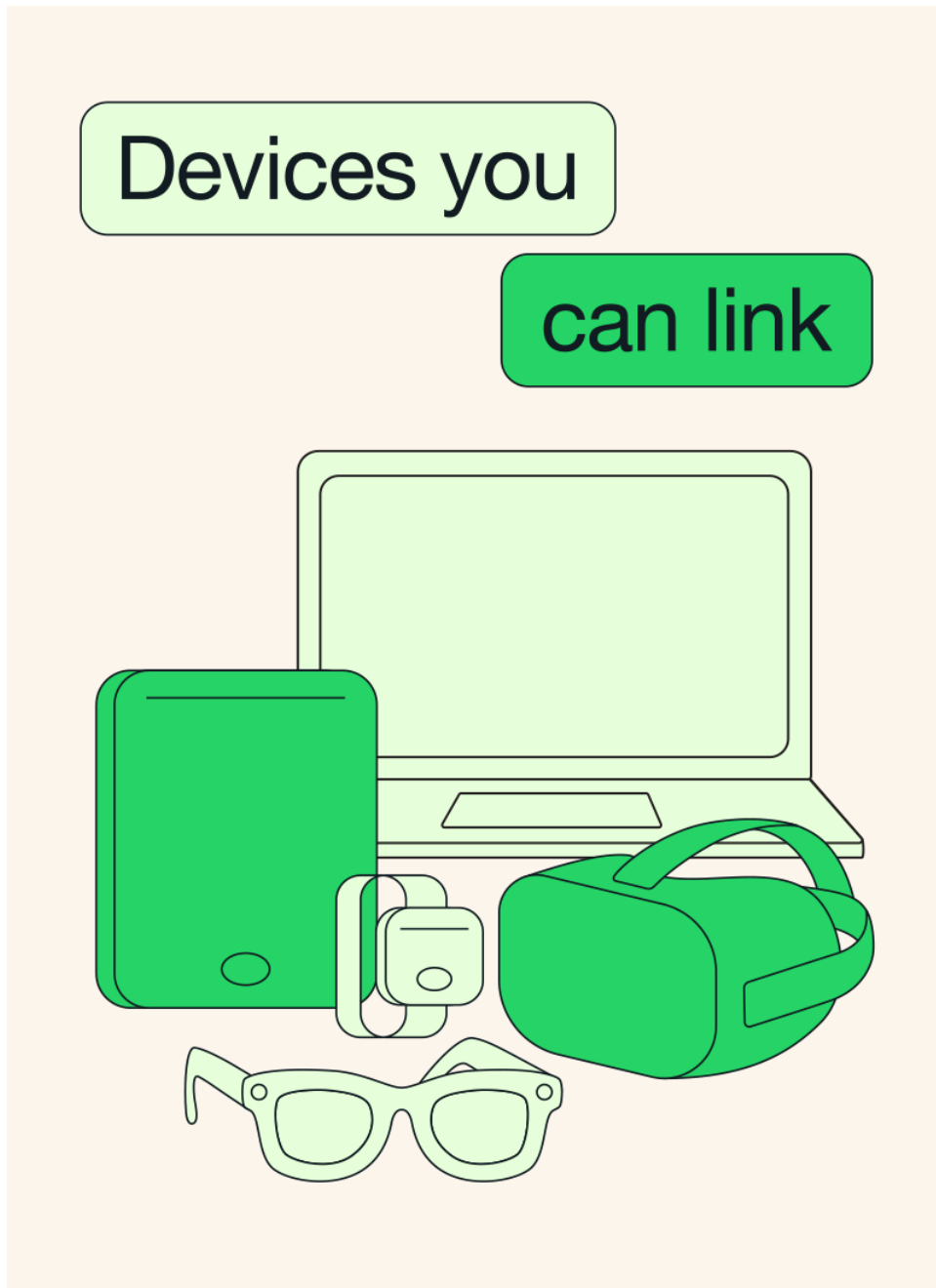


## 1) About linked devices

For Android



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Supported linked devices include:

- [Windows](#)
- [Mac](#)

- [Web](#)
- [Android tablet](#)
- [WearOS](#)
- [Companion Phones](#)
- [Ray-Ban Stories and Ray-Ban Meta](#)
- [VR](#)

### Benefits of linked devices

- Use WhatsApp on your computer even when your phone is off.
- Be more productive with multi-tasking and faster typing on a larger keyboard.
- Use WhatsApp on a bigger screen to view and share your media and files with others.
- Use the WhatsApp Mac or Windows app to make voice and video calls with up to 32 people.

Your personal messages, media, and calls are end-to-end encrypted. Each linked device connects to WhatsApp independently while maintaining the same level of privacy and security through end-to-end encryption that people who use WhatsApp have come to expect.

Learn more about end-to-end encryption in [this article](#). For information on how we collect, process, and share your data, please see the [WhatsApp Privacy Policy](#).

### Keep your account safer

- Enable push notifications on your phone. By enabling push notifications, you can remove devices you don't recognize from being linked to your account. If you don't recognize the device, tap the notification to review and remove it.
- Check your linked devices regularly. To review all devices linked to your account, tap



> **Linked Devices**. To log out of a linked device, tap the device > **Log Out**. We'll also automatically disconnect linked devices after 30 days of inactivity.

- You can scan a WhatsApp QR code or use your phone number to link a new device to your account. Only link on [WhatsApp Web](#), [WhatsApp for Windows and Mac](#), [WhatsApp Android Tablets](#), WhatsApp companion phones, or [Ray-Ban Stories and Ray-Ban Meta](#).
- **Linking your device through other websites may put your account at risk.** Learn more about how you can protect yourself from scams in this [article](#).

### Note:

- Your phone doesn't need to stay online to use WhatsApp on linked devices, but your linked devices will be logged out if you don't use your phone for over 14 days.

- Linked devices (Windows, Mac, Web, iPad, and wearables) can't be used as the primary device on an account.
- To use an Android Tablet as a primary device, you must register your account from that device.

### Unsupported features

These features aren't currently supported:

- Viewing live location.
- Creating and viewing broadcast lists.
- Interacting with businesses using WhatsApp Flows.

### Related resources

- How to [link a device with QR code](#)
- How to [link a device with phone number](#)
- About [message history on linked devices](#)
- How to [log out from WhatsApp on web and desktop](#)
- About [changing phones](#)

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- How to [link a device with phone number](#)
- About [message history on linked devices](#)
- How to [log out from WhatsApp on web and desktop](#)
- About [changing phones](#)

## 2) How to link a device

### For Web

You can use WhatsApp on up to four linked devices at once without the need to keep your primary phone connected. Connect your primary phone every 14 days to keep linked devices logged in to your WhatsApp account. For the best experience, update to the latest version of WhatsApp.

### Link a device with QR code

Open [WhatsApp Web](#) or Desktop on the device you want to link. You'll see a QR code to be scanned by your primary phone.

### Android

1. Open **WhatsApp** on your Android primary phone.
2. Tap



> **Linked devices** > **Link a device.**

3. Unlock your primary phone:
  - If your device has biometric authentication, follow the on-screen instructions.
  - If you don't have biometric authentication enabled, you'll be prompted to enter the PIN you use to unlock your phone.
4. Point your Android phone at the screen of the device you want to link to scan the QR code.

### iPhone

1. Open **WhatsApp** on your iPhone primary phone.
2. Go to WhatsApp **Settings** > **Linked Devices** > **Link a Device.**
3. Unlock your iPhone if you're on iOS 14 or above:
  - Use Touch ID or Face ID to unlock.
  - If you don't have biometric authentication enabled, you'll be prompted to enter the PIN you use to unlock your phone.
4. Point your iPhone at the screen of the device you want to link to scan the QR code.

### Related resources:

- How to [link a device with phone number](#)
- About [linked devices](#)
- About [WhatsApp Web and Desktop](#)
- How to [log out](#)

## Fow windows

You can use WhatsApp on up to four linked devices at once without the need to keep your primary phone connected. You'll need to log in to your primary phone every 14 days to keep linked devices connected to your WhatsApp account.

## Link a device

Open [WhatsApp for Windows](#) on the device you want to link. You'll see a QR code to be scanned by your primary phone.

## Android

1. Open **WhatsApp** on your Android primary phone, then tap [More options](#)



### > **Linked devices.**

2. Tap **Link a device.**
3. Unlock your Android phone:
  - If your device has biometric authentication, follow the on-screen instructions.
  - If you don't have biometric authentication enabled, you'll be prompted to enter the pin you use to unlock your phone.
4. Point your Android phone at the screen of the device you want to link to scan the QR code.

## iPhone

1. Open **WhatsApp** on your iPhone primary phone. Go to WhatsApp **Settings**



### > **Linked Devices.**

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3. Unlock your iPhone if you're on iOS 14 or older:
  - Use Touch ID or Face ID to unlock.
  - If you don't have biometric authentication enabled, you'll be prompted to enter the pin you use to unlock your phone.
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## Related resources:

- About [linked devices](#)

- About [messages history on linked devices](#)
- About [WhatsApp Web and Desktop](#)
- How to [log out](#)

## For Android

You can now use the same WhatsApp account on multiple phones at the same time, using your primary phone to link up to four devices. You'll need to log in to your primary phone every 14 days to keep linked devices connected to your WhatsApp account.

### Link an Android companion phone to your primary phone

1. Download **WhatsApp** on the Android companion phone you want to link. Open **WhatsApp** and tap **Agree and continue**.
2. Tap



> **Link as companion device**. You'll see a QR code to be scanned by your primary phone.

3. Open WhatsApp on your primary phone.
  - **Android:** Tap



> **Linked devices** > **Link a device**.

- **iPhone:** Go to WhatsApp **Settings** > **Linked Devices** > **Link a Device**.
4. Unlock your primary phone:
    - If your device has biometric authentication, follow the on-screen instructions.
    - If you don't have biometric authentication enabled, you'll be prompted to enter the pin you use to unlock your phone.
  5. Scan the Android companion phone QR code with your primary phone.

### Note:

- Live location and add status aren't supported on companion phones.
- Your companion phones will be logged out if you don't use your primary phone for over 14 days.
- Successfully linked companion phones will show **"This is a linked device. Learn more"** in **Settings**.

## Related resources:

- About [linked devices](#)
- About [message history on linked devices](#)
- About [WhatsApp Web and Desktop](#)
- How to [log out](#)
- About [changing phones](#)

## For iOS

You can now use the same WhatsApp account on multiple phones at the same time, using your primary phone to link up to four devices. You'll need to log in to your primary phone every 14 days to keep linked devices connected to your WhatsApp account.

### Link a companion iPhone to your Android primary phone or iPhone primary phone

1. Download **WhatsApp** on the companion iPhone you want to link. Open **WhatsApp** and tap **Agree & Continue**.
2. Tap



> **Link as Companion Device.** You'll see a QR code to be scanned by your primary phone.

3. Open WhatsApp on your primary phone.

- **Android:** Tap



> **Linked devices > Link a device.**

- **iPhone:** Go to WhatsApp **Settings > Linked Devices > Link a Device**.

4. Unlock your primary phone:
  - If your device has biometric authentication, follow the on-screen instructions.
  - If you don't have biometric authentication enabled, you'll be prompted to enter the pin you use to unlock your phone.
5. Scan the iPhone companion phone QR code with your primary phone.

## Note:

- Live location and add status aren't supported on companion phones.

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- Successfully linked companion phones will show **“This is a linked device. Learn more”** in **Settings**.

**Related resources:**

- About [linked devices](#)
- About [message history on linked devices](#)
- About [WhatsApp Web and Desktop](#)
- How to [log out](#)
- About [changing phones](#)

### 3) About message history on linked devices

Right after you link a device, your primary phone sends an end-to-end encrypted copy of your most recent message history to your newly linked device, where it's stored locally. It can take a few minutes for your message history to appear on linked devices depending on the number of messages in your chats.

**Note:** Not all messages and chats are synced to linked devices from your phone. WhatsApp Desktop syncs more message history than WhatsApp Web. To see or search your full history, check your phone.

**Related resources:**

- About [linked devices](#)
- How to [link a device](#)

### 4) About WhatsApp for Windows and Mac



To improve the WhatsApp experience for desktop users, we've developed native apps for Windows and Mac operating systems. The Windows and Mac apps provide increased performance and reliability, more ways to collaborate, and features to improve your productivity.

### **Benefits of native Mac and Windows apps**

#### **Calling and collaboration**

- Make voice calls with up to 32 people and video calls with up to 8 people.
- Plan calls by creating and sharing call links. Learn how in [this article](#).
- Use screen sharing to collaborate while on a video call. Learn how in [this article](#).
- Join a group call after it's started.
- View your call history.
- Choose to receive call notifications even when the app is closed.

#### **Productivity**

- Be more productive with multi-tasking and typing faster on a larger keyboard.
- Receive notifications and messages even when your phone is offline.
- Easily share files and media by dragging and dropping them into a chat.

#### **Performance and reliability**

- Designed and optimized for your computer's operating system.
- Access up to three years of message history.
- Increase reliability and speed.

### **Download WhatsApp for Windows or Mac**

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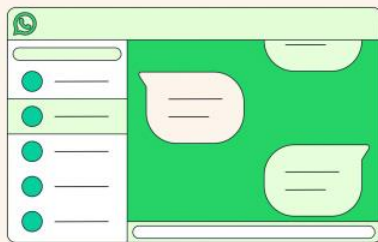
Go to [whatsapp.com/download](https://whatsapp.com/download) on your computer

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Download the desktop app

3



Now you can use WhatsApp from your desktop

You can download WhatsApp for Windows from the [WhatsApp Download page](#) or the [Microsoft App Store](#).

You can download WhatsApp for Mac from the [WhatsApp Download page](#) or the [Apple App Store](#).

#### Related resources:

- About [linked devices](#)
- How to [link a device](#)
- How to [download WhatsApp Desktop](#)
- How to [log out from WhatsApp on web and desktop](#)
- Can't [connect to WhatsApp](#)

## 5) About WhatsApp Web

You can access WhatsApp from your web browser.

Visit [web.whatsapp.com](https://web.whatsapp.com) to log in from your browser and quickly send and receive WhatsApp messages on your computer.

How to use WhatsApp on your computer

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WhatsApp Web and Desktop are computer-based extensions of the WhatsApp application on your phone. Your sent and received messages are synced between your phone and computer, and can be viewed on both devices.

**Related resources:**

- How to [link a device](#)
- How to [log out](#)
- Can't [connect to WhatsApp Web or Desktop](#)

## 6) About WhatsApp for Android tablets

WhatsApp for Android tablets is [available to download](#).

**Log in to WhatsApp**

**Link an Android tablet to your phone**

1. Open **WhatsApp** on your Android tablet.
2. Open WhatsApp on your phone.
  - Android: Tap



> **Linked devices.**

- iPhone: Go to WhatsApp **Settings** > **Linked Devices**.
3. Scan the QR code on your Android tablet screen to capture the code.

**Can't see a QR code to link my Android tablet**

1. Tap



> **Link a device.**

2. Follow the displayed steps

## Register a new account on your Android tablet

1. Open **WhatsApp** on your Android tablet.
2. Tap



### > Register new account.

3. Select your country and enter your phone number.
4. Tap **Next**.

## Message info

Message info is displayed when a message is delivered, seen, read, or played.

To see message info, tap and hold a sent message. You can also tap the **information** icon to see message info.

### Note:

- If you link WhatsApp on an Android tablet to your WhatsApp account on your phone, you can sync up to two years of your most recent chat history. All of the chat history you've saved is still available on your phone.
- Linked devices might not have all the features found on WhatsApp for your phone.

## 7) About WhatsApp for Wear OS

You can download WhatsApp for Wear OS [from the Google Play Store](#).

If your smartwatch and phone are linked, you'll see an option to download WhatsApp to your smartwatch.

### How do I link my phone?

Make sure your Android phone is next to you. For the best experience, connect to Wi-Fi.

You'll only be able to link WhatsApp on your Wear OS smartwatch with the same phone number your phone is using.

WhatsApp is compatible with Wear OS version 3.0 and upward.

### On your smartwatch

1. Open WhatsApp on your Wear OS smartwatch.
2. You'll see an eight character code.
3. Follow the instructions to continue on the phone.

## On your phone

4. Unlock your phone.
  - WhatsApp should open automatically. You'll see a prompt asking you to confirm if you're trying to pair a new watch. If this doesn't happen, check your notifications.
5. Enter the same eight character code you see on your smartwatch.
6. Tap **Confirm**.

## Note:

- You can't link from an iPhone.
- You won't be able to link your WhatsApp Business account.
- With the above device linking experience, you'll have the same controls and protections available as with linking a device by scanning a QR code. You'll still need to use biometric authentication before linking if you've enabled this feature.

## I've entered the wrong code

You'll have three attempts to enter the code correctly.

If you enter it wrong three times, a new code will be generated on your smartwatch and you can try again.

## There's a delay

It's normal for linking your phone to your watch to take longer if you have lots of contacts and recent messages.

## Why am I not getting notifications on Wear OS?

If you don't link your phone after installing WhatsApp on your smartwatch, your watch won't receive notifications.

If you've linked your device and are still having issues with notifications, please follow [these troubleshooting steps](#).

## Quick access to WhatsApp on Wear OS

You can use Tiles and Complications on Wear OS for quick access to WhatsApp on your smartwatch. Find out how in these [Tiles](#) and [Complications](#) articles on the Wear OS Help Center.

## What features are on WhatsApp for Wear OS?

Linked devices may not have all the features found on WhatsApp for your phone, but here are some of the features available in beta:

- Read chats and reply using voice or text.
- Mute a chat.
- Verify end to end encryption.

- View images.
- Play back voice messages.
- Send outgoing reactions
- Answer and decline phone calls.\*

\* this feature is already available on Wear OS smartwatches paired to phones with WhatsApp installed.

**Note:** This list isn't definitive.

## 8) About WhatsApp on Meta Quest

You can use WhatsApp on Meta Quest to read your chats, send messages, and make calls. Download WhatsApp from the Meta Quest Store on your Quest 2, Quest Pro or Quest 3 headset.

Your calls and messages remain end-to-end encrypted while using WhatsApp on Meta Quest. No-one, not even WhatsApp or Meta, can listen to or read them.

WhatsApp on Meta Quest is available in light mode or dark mode. WhatsApp defaults to the theme selected on your device. To change your theme, select **Settings > Chats > Theme** and select a theme.

### What can you do with WhatsApp on Meta Quest?

WhatsApp on Meta Quest works like the version on your mobile device in many ways. You can:

- View and respond to your contacts' status updates.
- Respond to incoming call notifications [with quick replies](#).
- Read chats and reply using voice or text.
- [Make voice and video calls](#).
- [Answer or decline and ignore calls](#).
- Block and report chats and users.
- Use disappearing messages.
- Verify end-to-end encryption.
- Play back voice messages.
- Send reactions.
- Use stickers and GIFs.
- View images.
- Send polls.
- Mute a chat.

**Note:** This list isn't definitive.

## Related resources

How to [link your Meta Quest](#)

## 9) How to link your Meta Quest

### For Android

You can use WhatsApp on Meta Quest to send and reply to messages and make calls.

### How to link your Meta Quest

On your Meta Quest:

1. Press the Meta button on your right controller and select **Store**.
2. Select the search bar and search for “WhatsApp.”
3. Select **WhatsApp > Download > Start**.
4. Select your language > **Agree and continue**.
5. Select your country and phone number linked to your WhatsApp account.
6. Note the eight-character code and switch to your primary phone.

On your phone:

1. Open WhatsApp and tap **Confirm**.
  - If prompted, unlock your phone.
2. Enter the eight-character code from your Meta Quest.

Or, tap



> **Linked devices > Link a device > Link with phone number instead**. Then enter the eight-character code from your Meta Quest.

Once WhatsApp on your phone and headset are linked, your account will load on WhatsApp on Meta Quest.

WhatsApp for VR is available in light mode or dark mode. WhatsApp defaults to the theme selected on your device. To change your theme, select **Settings > Chats > Theme** and select a theme.

**Note:** Your calls and messages remain end-to-end encrypted while using WhatsApp on Meta Quest. No-one, not even WhatsApp or Meta, can listen to or read them.

## Related resources

About [WhatsApp on Meta Quest](#)

### For iOS

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6. Note the eight-character code and switch to your primary phone.

On your phone:

1. Open WhatsApp tap **Confirm**.
  - If prompted, unlock your phone.
2. Enter the eight-character code from your Meta Quest.

Or, tap **Settings > Linked devices > Link a device > Link with phone number instead**. Then enter the eight-character code from your Meta Quest.

Once WhatsApp on your phone and headset are linked, your account will load on WhatsApp on Meta Quest.

WhatsApp for VR is available in light mode or dark mode. WhatsApp defaults to the theme selected on your device. To change your theme, select **Settings > Chats > Theme** and select a theme.

**Note:** Your calls and messages remain end-to-end encrypted while using WhatsApp on Meta Quest. No-one, not even WhatsApp or Meta, can listen to or read them.

### Related resources

About [WhatsApp on Meta Quest](#)

## 10) How to use WhatsApp on Ray-Ban Stories and Ray-Ban Meta smart glasses

Ray-Ban Stories and Ray-Ban Meta are smart glasses launched in partnership between Meta and EssilorLuxottica.

You can use these smart glasses with some Meta platforms, including WhatsApp.

### How to link WhatsApp

Use the Meta View app to connect Ray-Ban Stories and Ray-Ban Meta smart glasses to WhatsApp on your phone. Full details are available on the [Meta Help Center](#).

### Ray-Ban Stories

You can use the hands-free voice commands on Ray-Ban Stories to send and reply to messages and to decline and answer calls.

The voice commands can also announce when you receive messages and read them out loud in English, French and Italian.

You can activate voice commands by saying “Hey Facebook” and [speaking your command](#).

For example, “Hey Facebook, send a message to Anna on WhatsApp.”

### **Ray-Ban Meta**

You can complete even more actions with Ray-Ban Meta smart glasses.

You can use hands-free voice commands to send and reply to messages and to decline and answer calls. You can also use it to share photos.

Voice commands can also announce when you receive messages and read them out loud in English, French and Italian.

You can activate voice commands by saying “Hey Meta” and [speaking your command](#).

For example, “Hey Meta, send a photo to John on WhatsApp.”

You can also share your view from your glasses camera during a WhatsApp audio or video call. You can do this by double tapping the physical **capture** button on glasses during a call.

You can use this feature even if you haven't linked WhatsApp in the Meta View app. To enable sharing your view, tap the **glasses** icon during your next video call for instructions.

### **About your privacy**

When you use WhatsApp on Ray-Ban Stories or Ray-Ban Meta smart glasses, your calls and personal messages are secured with end-to-end encryption. No one outside of your chats, not even WhatsApp or Meta, can read or listen to them.

Read our [Privacy Policy](#) for more information.

### **Related resources:**

- About [end-to-end encryption](#)

## **11) How to unlink a device**

To disconnect linked devices such as WhatsApp Web, WhatsApp Desktop, companion phones, or tablets, you can log out from WhatsApp on your primary phone, or from WhatsApp on the linked device.

### **Log out from your primary phone**

1. Open WhatsApp on your primary phone.
  - **Android:** Tap



> **Linked devices.**

- **iPhone:** Go to WhatsApp **Settings** > tap **Linked Devices**.
2. Tap a device.
  3. Tap **Log out**.

**Log out from your linked device**

Go to WhatsApp **Settings** > **Log Out**.

**Related resources:**

- About [WhatsApp for Windows and Mac](#)
- About [WhatsApp Web](#)
- About [WhatsApp for Android Tablets](#)
- About [WhatsApp for Wear OS](#)
- About [WhatsApp for VR](#)

## **12) How to download WhatsApp Desktop**

**For Windows**

WhatsApp can be used on your desktop without a browser.

**Download WhatsApp Desktop for Windows**

1. Go to the [Microsoft App Store](#).
2. Download the app and follow the prompts to complete the installation.

**System requirements**

WhatsApp Desktop is available for Windows 10.1 64-bit 1903 or later.

For all other operating systems, you can use [WhatsApp Web](#) in your browser.

**Related resources:**

- How to [link a device](#)
- About [WhatsApp Desktop](#)
- About [WhatsApp Web and Desktop](#)
- How to [log out from WhatsApp on web and desktop](#)
- Can't [connect to WhatsApp](#)

**For Mac**

WhatsApp can be used on your desktop without a browser.

**Download from WhatsApp.com**

1. In your computer's browser, go to the [WhatsApp Download page](#), then download the Desktop Mac file.
2. Once the download is complete, open the file and follow the prompts to complete the installation.

#### **Download from the Apple App Store**

1. Go to the [Apple App Store](#), then download the Desktop Mac file.
2. Download the app and follow the prompts to complete the installation.

#### **System requirements**

WhatsApp Desktop is available for macOS 11 or later.

For all other operating systems, you can use [WhatsApp Web](#) in your browser.

#### **Related resources:**

- How to [link a device](#)
- About [WhatsApp Desktop](#)
- About [WhatsApp Web and Desktop](#)
- How to [log out from WhatsApp on web and desktop](#)
- Can't [connect to WhatsApp](#)

### **13) About supported operating systems on desktop**

#### **For Windows**

##### **Windows users**

The new WhatsApp desktop app for Windows is supported on Windows 10.1 64-bit 1903 or higher.

If the version you are using is older, you'll need to update your operating system and then download [WhatsApp for Windows](#). Alternatively, you can use [WhatsApp Web](#) in your browser.

For instructions on how to check which version of Windows operating system you are running, [click here](#) to visit the Microsoft help center.

#### **For Mac**

##### **Mac users**

WhatsApp for Mac is supported on macOS 11 or higher.

If the version you are using is older, you'll need to update your operating system and then download [WhatsApp for Mac](#). Alternatively, you can use [WhatsApp Web](#) in your browser.

For instructions on how to check which version of macOS you are running, [click here](#) to visit the Apple help center.

### **14) How to switch accounts on WhatsApp**

#### **For Android**

WhatsApp's multiple account feature allows you to have two different accounts on a single Android device. To register a second account on WhatsApp, you will need to have a separate phone number or a device that takes multiple SIM cards. Once both accounts are registered, you can easily switch between them on the same device.

With WhatsApp, you can have two accounts that offer all the usual features and capabilities. Your active account is the one you're currently logged into, while your idle account is the one you're not currently using. Even when your account isn't being used, you can still get alerts about messages and phone calls. To see the content, just switch to the appropriate account.

For each account, you have the ability to customize your profiles by setting unique pictures, about fields, notification settings, and privacy settings.

### Creating a second account

To create and add a second account, follow these steps:

1. Tap



> **Settings** > **Account** > **Add Account**.

2. Read the [Terms of Service](#) and [Privacy Policy](#), then tap **Agree and Continue** to accept the terms.
3. Select your country from the drop-down list to add your country code. Enter your phone number in [international phone number](#) format. Tap **Done** or **Next**, then tap **Ok** to receive your 6-digit registration code through SMS or phone call.
4. To complete registration, enter your 6-digit code. Learn more on how to register your phone number on [Android](#).
5. In your new profile, enter your name, and then tap **Next**. You can also add a profile photo and fill in the about field.

To switch between accounts:

1. Open WhatsApp.
2. Tap



> **Switch accounts**.

**Note:**

- This feature currently supports a maximum of two accounts.

- Users can see activity on idle accounts. You will need to switch accounts in order to see the content.

### Respond to notifications on idle accounts

The idle account will receive notifications for new messages and calls. You must switch accounts to access the content.

To answer calls on your idle account, you must switch accounts. To switch accounts, follow these steps:

1. When someone calls your idle account, you will get a push notification. You can respond to the notification by selecting **Ignore** or **Switch Accounts**.
  - If you wish to ignore the call, tap **Ignore**.
  - If you want to switch to your second WhatsApp account, tap **Switch Accounts**. This will take you directly to the switch accounts loading screen.
2. From here, you can choose to **Answer**, **Reply**, or **Decline** the call.

### How to remove an account

You can remove an account from your device at any time. Removing an account does not delete the account.

To remove an account:

1. Tap



> **Settings** > **Account** > **Remove account**.

2. Tap **Confirm** to confirm you want to remove this account from this device.

#### Note:

- If you remove an account, it will only be removed from the device you're currently using.
- If you have linked devices, the account will be removed in 14 days.
- Your WhatsApp groups and channels will remain unaffected.
- You'll lose any messages or data not backed up. Learn more about [backing up your data](#).

To delete an account:

1. Tap



> **Settings** > **Account** > **Delete account**.

2. Enter your country code and phone number, then tap **Delete account** to confirm.

**Note:**

- If you delete an account the account will be deleted from WhatsApp and all your devices.
- Your message history will be erased.
- You will be removed from all your WhatsApp groups.
- Your Google Account backup will be deleted.
- Any channels you created will be deleted.

**For iOS**

**Note:** This feature is currently only for Android users, and might not be available in your country yet.