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Robocalls No More! :)

This presentation will show you how to configure your Android phone or iPhone to prevent the phone from ringing for any call other than one from a person in your phone's Contacts list.

This is a way of avoiding robocalls, those "cold" calls that phish for your social security number and other identifying information, with the hope of stealing your bank account, IRS refund, or your identity.

If you have no idea what is meant by robocalls, come on in and you will literally hear some that John found in his voicemails.

John learned of this smart phone technique from an online columnist who asked his readers to describe their ways of coping with robocalls. While the columnist reported various reader approaches, some of them hilarious, he did not explain the smart phone configuration steps needed to make the most effective technique work for you.

John figured out those steps and has been using the configuration for about three months on his Android phones. John will show you exactly how to do it yourself during the presentation.

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“YOUR” Facebook Page

Typically we limit the length of newsletter articles. You will notice that the information on making your Facebook page private is LONG. It is shocking to be aware of how your Facebook page information is very public and not at all private. It is quite unlikely that you will not accomplish all of the potential changes you choose to make in one session. Therefore all of the information is in this one newsletter for you to keep and work on as your time allows.

Please submit questions or solutions you have discovered to editor(at)patacs.org so others can share in your new awareness. You could also bring your “discoveries” to the question and answer session of our monthly meetings or the discussion group.

Thank you to our dedicated leaders and presenters who have generously, skillfully given many hours so we can very safely “attend” our excellent Zoom meetings.

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How To Make Your Facebook Account Completely Private



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When posting on your Facebook profile, you might not always think about how many people could potentially see your posts or information. You probably trust your friends with the information you share online for the most part, however, there might be some people who you'd rather not be able to find your profile so easily. Or maybe there are some posts you'd like to share with your close friends, but not with anyone else.

Unfortunately, the reality of using social media is that sharing information online comes with risks. If your posts get into the wrong hands, it could end up [costing you your job](#), or having someone ["Facebook stalk" you in real life](#). If you're looking to make your Facebook account private, we can help you do it. We'll be covering a lot of [Facebook privacy](#) information, starting with some of the most important reasons to keep your profile private. But, if you are already convinced, jump ahead to the [7 steps to making your profile private](#).



If you're looking for more general information about how to use Facebook, check out our free course [here](#). Now, let's jump into the good stuff!

Why should you make your Facebook private?

- **Keep your personal information personal** – if you don't want people to see information about you, like where you live, where you went to school, or the company you work for, you can switch your settings to hide this information.

- **Make it harder for people to find you on Facebook** – you might not want just anyone to be able to find you on Facebook. Change your settings to hand-pick your Facebook friends.
- **Stop people from bothering you** – some people find they occasionally get messages and friend requests from total strangers. This can be avoided by changing your settings.
- **Make yourself look professional** – these days when applying for a job, it's common for employers to search up their prospective employees on social media.

If you change your privacy settings so less of your profile can be seen by people who aren't friends with you, you can present yourself in a more professional way online.

- **Keep your work life and personal life separate** – if the wrong things end up on your Facebook profile, you could lose your job (or worse), so keeping things private can help prevent these repercussions.

Now that we've covered some of the reasons why we think it's a good idea to make your account private, you're probably still wondering, "how do I make my Facebook private?"

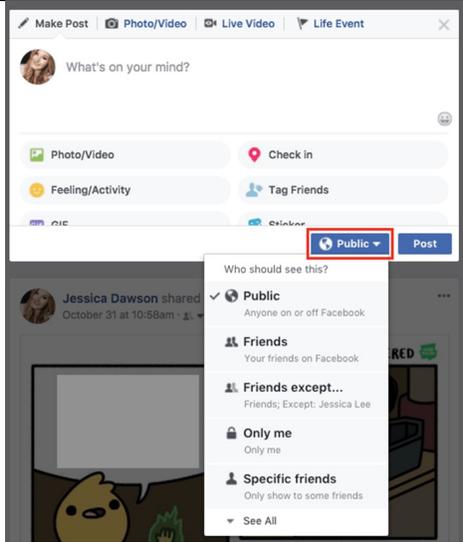
Well, let's move on to our guide to [switching up your Facebook privacy settings](#) and show you how to make Facebook private.

7 Steps to making your Facebook completely private

1. Change the privacy setting when you post. When you're posting a status update, photo, or sharing pretty much anything on your Facebook profile, you'll be given the option to choose who will be able to see that post before you share it. You can make a post visible to **Public** (for anyone to see), **Friends** (so only people who are friends with you on Facebook can see it), **Only Me** (a post that is private just for yourself), or make a custom privacy setting so only certain friends can see it (like just your immediate family, for example).

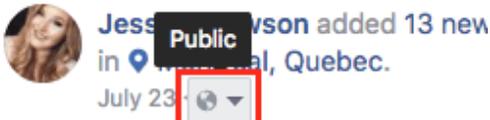
To edit this setting when making a new post, click the **audience selector button** beside **Post** in the bottom right corner. This button will be labelled as whatever your current privacy setting is, so it might say "Public," "Friends," etc. Clicking this button will reveal a menu of options to choose from. Click on a privacy option to change to that setting.

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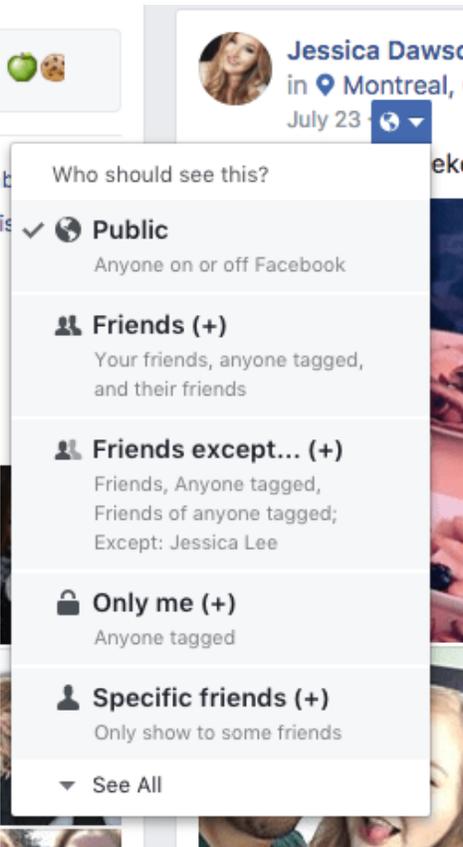
You can also change this setting after you've posted something on your profile. If you want to go back through your old posts and update the privacy

settings, look for the privacy icon located next to the date on one of your Facebook posts.



Had an amazing weekend in Montreal

Then, choose the privacy setting you would like to use for that post.



You can do this for each individual post on your Facebook profile. While this might seem like a tedious process, it's a great way to pick and choose who can see specific posts on your timeline.

2. De-authorize any apps that are using your Facebook information.

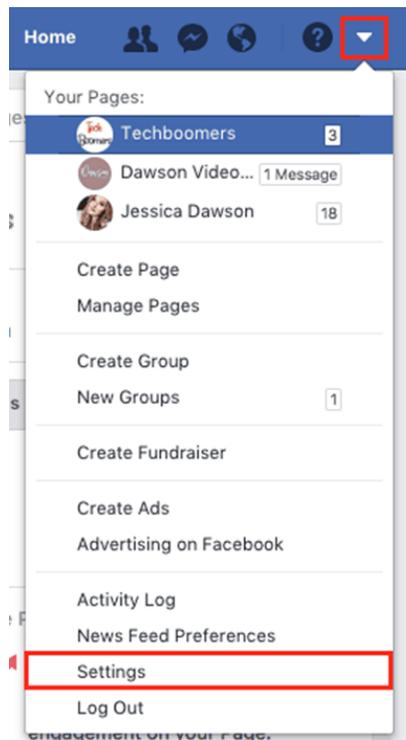
Many apps make it convenient for you to log in with your Facebook credentials, like Instagram and Tinder. If you've used another app or website and chosen to log in with your Facebook account to save time during the sign-up process, you might decide down the line that you don't want that app or website to have access to your information anymore. If you want to de-authorize an app you've logged into with Facebook, here's how:

Step 1: Log in to your Facebook account.

In your browser, go to [Facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com). Then, enter your email address or phone number and your password to sign in to your Facebook account.



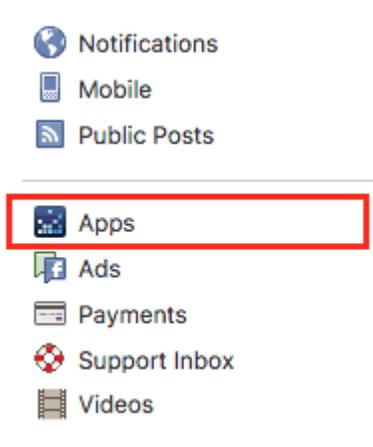
Step 2: Access your Facebook settings.



Now you'll need to get to your account settings. To find this page, click the **downwards arrow** at the top right corner of your screen. From the drop-down menu that appears below it, select **Settings**.

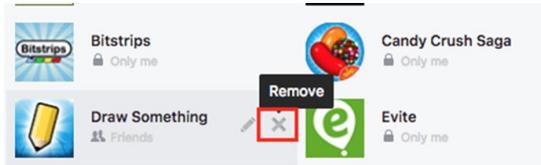
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Step 3: Select Apps on the left side. On the main settings page, click Apps from the category options listed on the left.

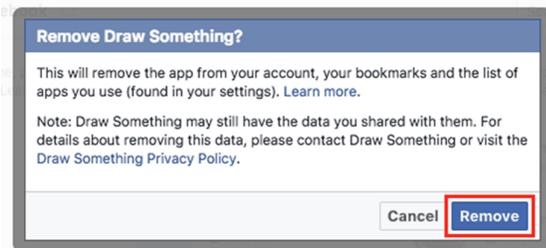


Step 4: Remove any apps you want to de-authorize.

Now you'll be able to see a list of all the apps you've logged into using your Facebook credentials. If there are any apps you'd like to de-authorize so they can't use your Facebook information, hover over its name, then click the X that appears to the right side.



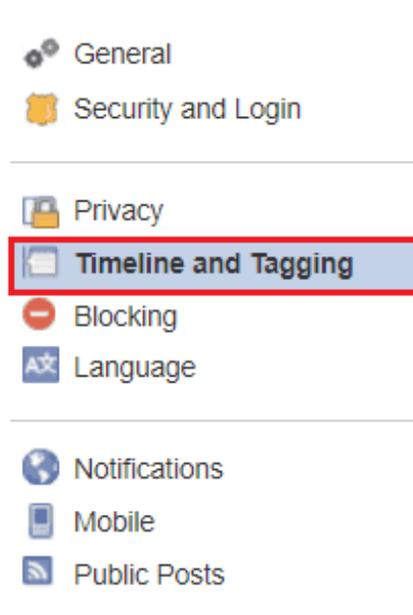
To confirm you want to de-authorize that app, click the Remove box. Another thing you might



Control who can post on your timeline and tag you in posts.

want to consider is that your Facebook friends being able to post on your timeline and tag you in posts that could show up on your own profile. This is kept separate from changing the privacy on your own posts, since you're not one doing the posting in

this case. Luckily, you can change settings that will make it easy for you to control what shows up on your timeline. To change these settings, select the **Timeline and Tagging** category from the **Settings** menu.



Then, review each setting in this category and change it to suit your preferences. Click **Edit** beside a specific setting to make changes to it.

Timeline	Who can post on your timeline?	Friends	Edit
	Who can see what others post on your Timeline?	Friends of friends	Edit
Tagging	Who can see posts you're tagged in on your timeline?	Friends	Edit
	When you're tagged in a post, who do you want to add to the audience of the post if they can't already see it?	Friends	Edit
	Who sees tag suggestions when photos that look like you are uploaded? (this is not yet available to you)	Unavailable	
Review	Review posts you're tagged in before the post appears on your timeline?	Off	Edit
	Review what other people see on your timeline		View As
	Review tags people add to your posts before the tags appear on Facebook?	Off	Edit

4. Make your profile harder for people to find.

If you don't want just anyone to be able to find and view your profile on Facebook, there are a few steps you can take to make your profile harder to find, and change what information is visible to strangers. One thing some people choose to do to make their profile trickier to locate is to replace their last name with their middle name.

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- Videos

General Account Settings

Name	Jessica Dawson	Edit
Username	http://www.facebook.com	Edit
Contact	Primary	Edit
Ad account contact		Edit
Networks	Secondary School	Edit
Temperature	Celsius	Edit
Manage Account	Modify your Legacy Contact settings or deactivate your account.	Edit
Download a copy of your Facebook data.		

Under “General Account Settings,” you’ll see basic information like your name and email address. At the right side of the “Name” section, click **Edit**.

General Account Settings

Name Jessica Dawson Edit

General Account Settings

Name

First

Middle

Last

Please note: If you change your name on Facebook, you can't change it again for 60 days. Don't add any unusual capitalization, punctuation, characters or random words. [Learn more.](#)

Other Names [Add other names](#)

Review Change Cancel

If you just want to make your information hidden from strangers, select the **Privacy** category from the left side of your settings page.

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- Support Inbox
- Videos

Now, make changes to your settings so they align with what you’d like to show on Facebook. Here, you can change who can see your posts and who can look you up. To make it harder for people to find your profile, focus on the “Who can look me up?” section. This affects who can find your profile in a Facebook search. Click **Edit** beside each setting to change it to suit your preferences.

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Who can look me up?	Who can look you up using the email address you provided?	Everyone	Edit
	Who can look you up using the phone number you provided?	Everyone	Edit
	Do you want search engines outside of Facebook to link to your profile?	Yes	Edit

5. Change who can send you friend requests.

On the same Privacy settings page as where you changed your settings for who can look you up on Facebook, you'll also see a section called "Who can contact me?". In this section, you can make changes to who is allowed to send you friend requests. You can choose to allow "Everyone" to send you requests, meaning anyone on Facebook can request to add you as a friend. Or, you can choose "Friends of Friends" so that only people who have mutual friends with you can send you friend requests.

Who can see my stuff?	Who can see your future posts?	Public	Edit
	Who can see your friends list?	Public	Edit
	Review all your posts and things you're tagged in		Use Activity Log
	Limit the audience for posts you've shared with friends of friends or Public?		Limit Past Posts
Who can contact me?	Who can send you friend requests?	Everyone	Edit



Who can contact me? Who can send you friend requests?

Everyone

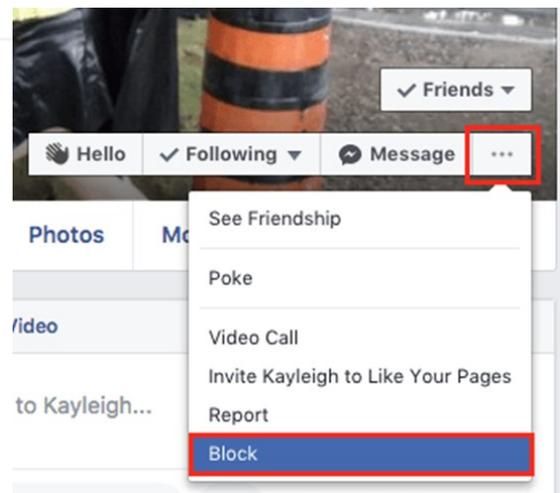
Everyone

Friends of friends

Then, choose the setting you would like to enable – **Everyone**, or **Friends of Friends**.

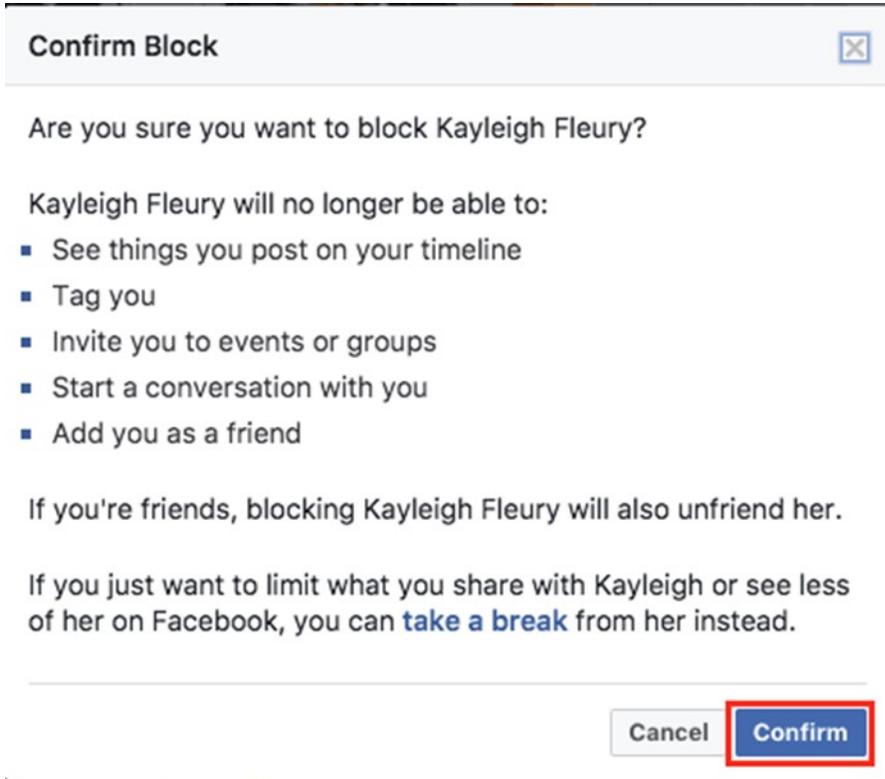
6. Block or restrict anyone that bothers you.

If someone is bothering or harassing you on Facebook, you can choose to block them, so they won't be able to contact you or see any of your posts or information. You can also choose to add them to your Restricted list. What does "Restricted" mean on Facebook? Your Restricted list is a collection of your Facebook friends who will only be able to see information and posts that you make visible to the public. To block someone on Facebook, open their profile. Then, click the **three dots** at the bottom right of their cover photo. Then, select **Block** from the menu that pops up below.



To confirm that you'd like to block that person, click the **Confirm** button in the window that appears.

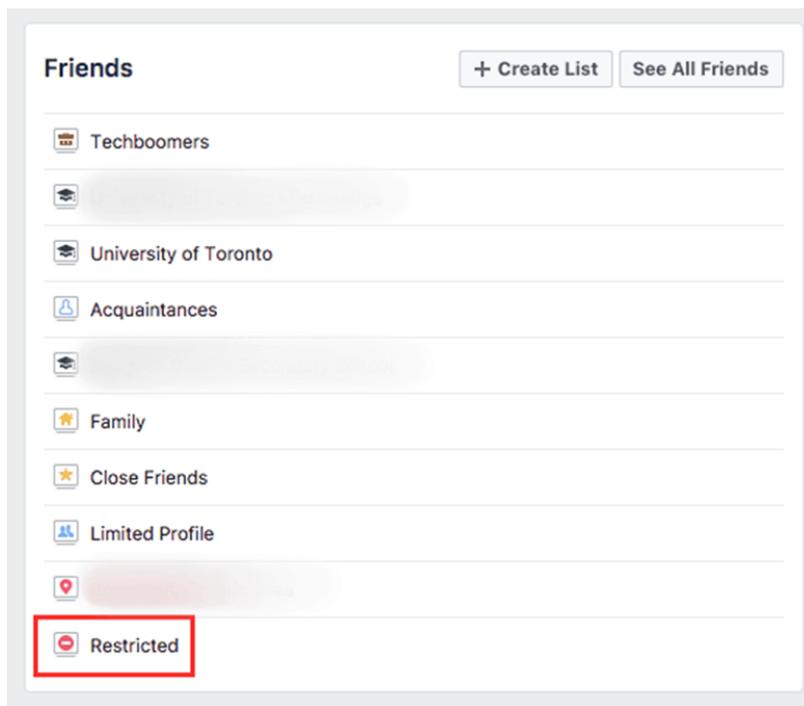
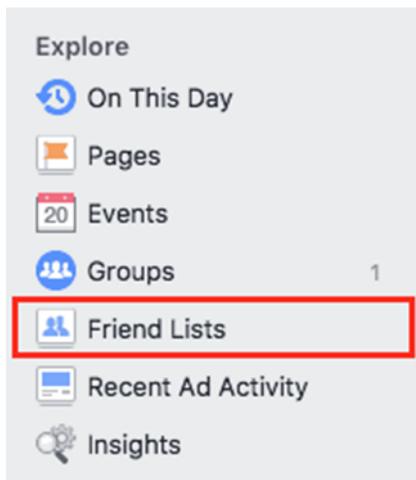
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To add someone to your “Restricted” list on Facebook, go to your main Facebook home page.



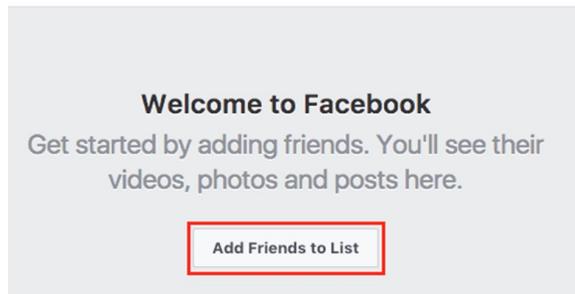
Under the “Explore” section on the left side, select **Friend Lists**.



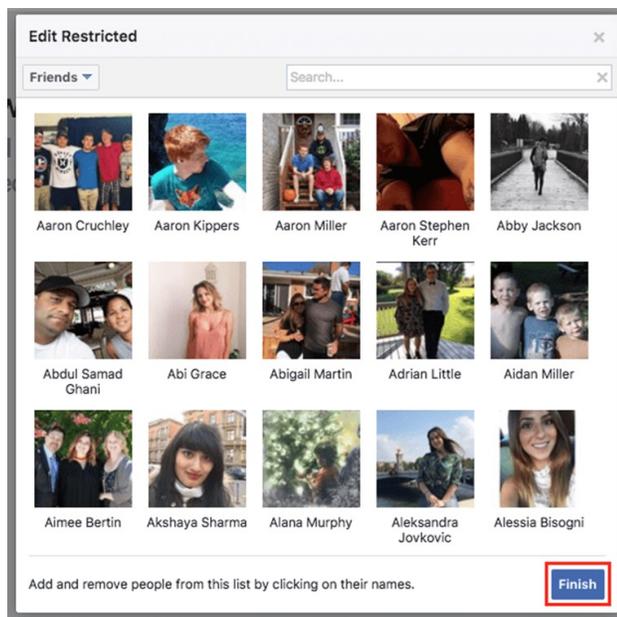
From the options that appear on your screen, select **Restricted**.

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Restricted
 Friends who can only see posts and profile info you make public. [Learn More](#)

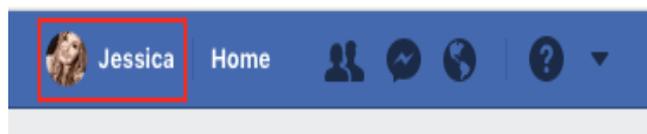


Now, click **Add Friends to List** to start adding friends. Select the friends you want to add to your restricted list, then click **Finish** to finalize your selections.

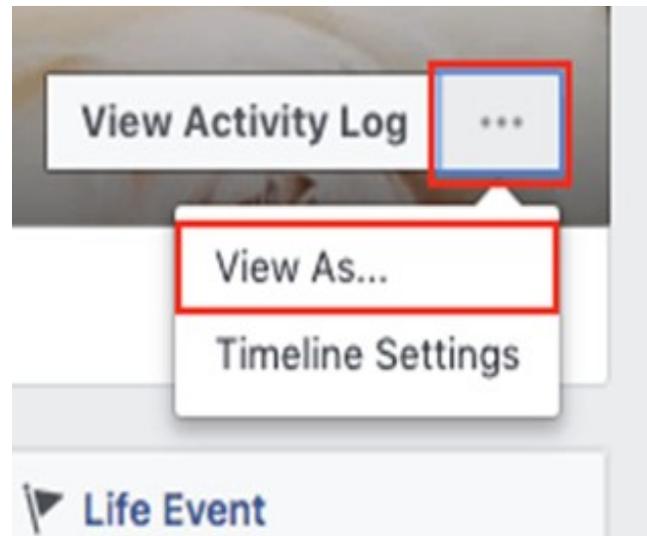


7. Check out what your profile looks like to the public.

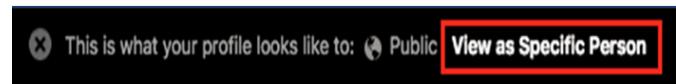
After you've changed your privacy settings to the way you'd like them to be, we'd recommend checking out what your profile looks like to the public, or to certain friends if you're curious what they can and cannot see. To do this, click your name at the top of your screen to get to your profile.



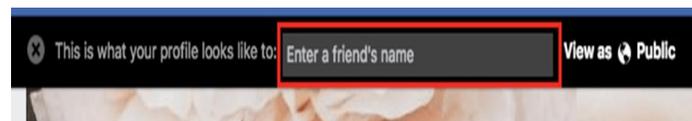
Then, click the **three dots** at the bottom of your cover photo. From the drop-down menu, click **View As**.



Now you'll be able to see what your profile looks like to the public. If you want to see what it looks like to a specific friend on Facebook, click **View as Specific Person**.



Then, type in the name of the friend whose perspective you'd like to test out.



While you're checking out what your profile looks like to others, make sure you're happy with the information and posts you can and cannot see. If you happen to see information that you don't want to be visible, go back into your privacy settings and make any necessary adjustments. That's all you need to do to make your Facebook account private. We hope this helps you with keeping your information and posts between you and those you care to share them with. If you're interested in learning about [Internet privacy](#) in general, check out our courses on [Internet safety, privacy, and more](#).

You can do this for each individual post on your Facebook profile. While this might seem like a tedious process, it's a great way to pick and choose who can see specific posts on your timeline.

KEEPING UP WITH PATACS ZOOM DOCS

By John Krout, PATACS member

PATACS has rapidly built a massive set of valuable Zoom documentation. This is available on the PATACS web site and updated whenever Zoom updates its features, all to make the latest info available to you as quickly as possible.

However, if you don't visit the page fairly often, then *you won't know what you are missing*.

Here are some of the newer goodies you can find.

All of these documents contain step-by-step instructions with screen captures to help you get things done quickly.

If you hold personal Zoom Meetings with relatives and friends, then you need to read **Intruder Alert**, a do-it-yourself guide with detailed instructions and screen captures for *four essential and easy ways* to keep uninvited Zoombombers out of your Zoom meetings.

<https://www.patacs.org/zoom/intruder%20alert%20for%20zoom%20for%20windows%20v1.pdf>

If you want to **create a free Basic Zoom account** to use for meetings with family and friends, you can find the latest method for doing so documented in **Create a Zoom Account**. Zoom updated their account creation process in early April and we updated our doc to keep current.

https://www.patacs.org/zoom/jk_create_zoom_account_v2g.pdf

If you want to place a Zoom icon on your Windows desktop for easier access to the Zoom application, read **Easy Access** for detailed instructions and screen captures.

<https://www.patacs.org/zoom/easy%20access%20to%20zoom%20for%20windows%20v1.pdf>

Zoom released an updated version 5.0.4 of its Windows and Macintosh applications in early

April, with significant security improvements. You can use your Zoom app to check for available updates. Read **Check for Updates** which explains exactly how to use your Zoom for Windows application to do that.

<https://www.patacs.org/zoom/windows/check%20for%20updates%20of%20zoom%20for%20windows%20v1.pdf>

Android users can check for availability of Zoom app updates on the Google Play Store. iPhone and iPad users can check for availability of Zoom app updates on the App Store.

You can read **Use your Smart Phone** as a Webcam if you do not yet have a webcam for your desktop or laptop computer. You can save some money using this approach.

<https://www.patacs.org/zoom/use%20your%20smart%20phone%20as%20a%20webcam%20v1.pdf>

There is much more than these recent docs online: groups of docs specific to your particular connected device, including phones and tablets, explaining how to manage your own audio and video, change your screen name so your friends and colleagues recognize you, and ask questions during OLLI Zoom teleconferences. Scroll down the page to find a table of docs for each device type and operating system.

Me: This show is boring.

Boss: Again, this is a Zoom conference.



*Tech tips and news
from TechMoxie to you*

As I have been doing a lot of work with clients over Zoom as well as teaching Zoom workshops, I have been following the reports on Zoom security breaches as well as the company's security updates.

Many - if not most - of the problems have come from Zoom links being shared in public forums such as neighborhood listserves, widely distributed newsletters, etc. The most frequent problem has become known as "Zoom bombing," which is when an uninvited participant wreaks havoc in a meeting. But a few small steps can go a long way in preventing these security mishaps:

Do not share the link to your Zoom meetings in public forums. Zoom allows a meeting 'host' (i.e., the person creating and running the meeting controls) to imbed the meeting password in the link to the meeting. This is very convenient because participants do not have to type in a separate password to join the meeting - all it takes is one click.

I send my links that way so that it is easy as possible for my students and clients to join my meetings. But if you are holding a large gathering, require that people sign up/register/rsvp via a service like Eventbrite, Evite or even email.

Once they sign up and you are able to verify that they belong, you can send along the link to join the meeting.

Tips on Zoom Security

- Zoom has changed the default settings so that participants are put in a "waiting room" prior to being allowed to join the meeting. This gives the host the opportunity at the start of each meeting to make sure that each person is actually a legitimate/invited participant.
- **Remember that as 'host' you can mute audio and turn off video for each participant.** Additionally, you can remove any participant who is disruptive. Note that the settings allow you to prohibit removed participants from rejoining the meeting. But if this setting is not activated, removed participants can simply click on the meeting link to rejoin.
- Depending on the type and size of your meeting, you might consider prohibiting participants from sharing their screens, using chat and renaming themselves in the participant list. These restrictions can be managed in the Zoom settings or as described in the next bullet.
- **Zoom has added quick access to in-meeting security features via an icon in the meeting toolbar.** By clicking on the security icon during the meeting, you can 'lock' the meeting which prohibits new participants from joining (or rejoining) the meeting. You can also prohibit participants from using the chat or even renaming themselves during the meeting. (Many of the disruptions come via shared screens and chats).



Informed Delivery by USPS - Free

By Mike Li, The IT Guy

<https://informedelivery.usps.com>

Know the mail you will receive
before it is delivered

Informed Delivery is a relatively new and free optional United States Postal Service notification service for residential customers. It digitally previews packages and letter-sized mailpieces that are processed through USPS automated equipment. A package will have information on sender and tracking details. Users can view their mail-piece images via email or online dashboard.

According to their site, the USPS is in the process automating all of their equipment to make this free service for all residential customers. Residential customers can learn online if this service is available in their area and sign up.

The question of security: The scanned images are of the external markings showing only the exterior address side of letter-sized mail.

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| Sign up for free | Create your account. |
| Verify your identity | Receive Notifications. |
| Secure access. | Preview Incoming mail. |
| Track packages. | Delivery instructions. |
| Schedule delivery | Manage notifications. |



HELPING EACH OTHER

LOOKING AHEAD -

There have been some requests for a one column newsletter. You will see that change in the soon to come June newsletter.

Comments and productive suggestions wanted. If you prefer a one column or two column newsletter, please send your comments with specific reasons to [editor\(at\)patacs.org](mailto:editor(at)patacs.org)

List specific reasons.

Not helpful: I like it/I don't like it.

Helpful: It is better/not as good, because.....

Based on your comments PATACS could keep the two column format or change to one column.

Therefore, if you have a strong opinion for either—this is your opportunity to let us know.

SUGGESTION SHARING -

This is a challenging time for all of us. In our unusual world today, have you found resources and good ways of coping? Our ZOOM meetings are certainly one great example.

Other areas -

- Ways to be safe
- Family and friend communication
- Shopping strategies
- Entertainment

I have always known that cutting my own hair is not at all a good thing. After two attempts, it is so increasingly obvious that was very wise awareness. Especially after learning of 140 people exposed to the virus at one hair cutting establishment, I would be most grateful for ideas on how to safely have a good haircut and other areas of helpful suggestions for our members.

Email [editor\(at\)patacs.org](mailto:editor(at)patacs.org) with suggestions and requests for information on other topics.

Kathy Perrin, Editor

Best 8 Websites Like YouTube

TechBoomers.com

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[YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com) leapt to the forefront of the online video revolution shortly after its creation in 2005, and is still one of the prime websites for easy and free access to both professional and amateur video content. Whether you're into sports, politics, gaming, film, comedy, business, or lifestyles, there's usually something interesting to watch on YouTube. You can create "playlists" of clips that you like, or even start your own "channel" and post your own videos for the world to see. Plus, there are new accessibility options being added all the time, such as closed captions, video annotations, social media sharing options, and a commenting system.

With that said, YouTube isn't the be-all and end-all of free online videos. If you're looking for full movies or TV show episodes, you'll be hard-pressed to find them on YouTube, as it is rather strict when it comes to taking down videos because of copyright complaints. And even if you do find some, you'll likely have to pay for them, and/or sit through a bunch of pop-up advertisements or commercials while you watch them. Not to mention that the discussion and comments surrounding them will usually not be civil. And you can't save any videos from YouTube to your computer and watch them later (at least not legally), unless you put them there yourself.

Here are our top 8 free and paid alternatives to YouTube for getting your online video fix.

1. Dailymotion

dailymotion

(www.dailymotion.com)

Headquartered in France, Dailymotion is one of the biggest YouTube competitors out there. It's available in 18 languages and has 35 country-

specific variants. It offers similar features to YouTube, such as a mostly-free platform supported by advertising, "channels" for different types of videos, the ability to share or embed videos, and the requirement of an account to upload and comment on videos (but not to watch them). One major difference is that Dailymotion has different upload limits than YouTube, allowing videos to be up to 60 minutes in length (as opposed to YouTube's 15 minutes) but only 4 gigabytes in memory size (as opposed to YouTube's 20 gigabytes).

2. Vimeo (www.vimeo.com)

vimeo

Vimeo is a YouTube alternative named after a combination of the words "video" and "me"; incidentally, it's also an anagram of the word "movie". It was made for independent filmmakers and their short pieces, which make up the majority of Vimeo's users and content (respectively). However, it also includes some professional content, such as pranks from the "Improv Everywhere" group and official White House broadcasts from the American government. Two downsides to Vimeo are that it doesn't allow many video-game-related videos, and removing upload limits requires purchasing a premium account at \$60 per year.

3. Metacafe (www.metacafe.com)

 **metacafe**

Metacafe was actually one of the first video-sharing websites on the Internet — even before YouTube came along — and it's still in operation today. It was originally more like Dailymotion and YouTube, with a mix of original and corporate-sponsored material. However, it has recently switched to a more independent, short-form video format like Vimeo.

4. Hulu (www.hulu.com)

hulu

As an alternative to YouTube, Hulu is sort of like Netflix. It's a paid-for service that offers exclu-

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sive content, but it focuses more on television programs and series videos instead of stand-alone movies. It also tends to get its content faster than other services of its kind. You can use Hulu for free, which gets you access to a limited number of movies, television shows, and previews. Or you can pay \$8 a month and get access to Hulu's full catalogue. Note that Hulu is supported by advertising (unless you have a more expensive premium paid account), and is only available in the United States.

If you'd like to know more about Hulu and how to use it, check out [our Hulu course](#).

5. Amazon Prime Video (www.amazon.com/Amazon-Video)



Amazon Prime Video is a bit different from the other services like YouTube that we've listed so far. As opposed to being an all-you-can-watch deal, if you wish to watch videos and television shows on Amazon Prime Video, you must pay to rent or purchase them. The upside is that you can download digital copies of the videos that you purchase onto your computer, which many of its competitors do not allow. Subscribing to Amazon Prime (Amazon's premium membership) for \$8.25 a month can lower or eliminate the cost of using Amazon Prime Video, and gets you access to additional content.

In fact, we have [a course on Amazon Prime](#) that will show you how Amazon Prime Video works, if you're interested.

6. Vudu (www.vudu.com)



This YouTube alternative is owned by Wal-Mart, and works similarly to Amazon Instant Video: you only pay for the movies and TV shows that you actually buy or rent. It also has a neat feature where you can input information about a DVD or

Blu-Ray Disc that you buy from Wal-Mart or other associated retailers, and it will unlock a digital copy of that movie or TV show on Vudu. Then you can share your digital movies and shows with your friends who use Vudu! The downside to Vudu is that it's only available in the U.S., and its content library is somewhat small.

7. Netflix (www.netflix.com)



Netflix is one of the biggest paid-for websites like YouTube. Like many sites of its kind, Netflix forgoes the independent content that you'll find on free video-streaming websites, as well as the social media features (such as the ability to share links to videos). The trade-off is that you'll get access to professionally-produced movies and television shows that you won't be able to find elsewhere online (because they're copyrighted or they're exclusive to Netflix). You can watch as many of these programs as you want for just \$8 per month, plus you get a 1-month free trial when you sign up.

If you're interested in Netflix, check out our [Netflix course](#) here on Techboomers.



8. iTunes (www.apple.com/itunes)

This digital media management program from Apple is better known as a music marketplace, but it has recently begun selling movies and TV show episodes, too. They're expensive, but can be downloaded and moved to your other devices, so you can enjoy them on the go. You'll have to download and install the iTunes program and set up an Apple ID first, though (if you haven't already).

Have you used any of these websites similar to YouTube? Were you dialed into their features and content, or did they totally turn you off? Are there any other YouTube competitors that you know of that you think we and our users would like to learn about? Let us know with an email to contact@techboomers.com,

Did you know that

videos and presentation slides of most PATACS Saturday meetings are available on the PATACS website's 'Recent Meetings' page?

Go to: <https://www.patacs.org/recmtgspat.html> and scroll down for links.

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The PATACS free discussion group allows members to unofficially communicate with each other with questions, suggestions, and - IN THIS CASE – **finding a great bargain.**

Through the end of June, you can snag Windows 10 Professional for \$39.99, an exclusive offer to PCWorld. You have 30 days from purchase date to use the update.

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Send any questions to the discussion group. There are many experts in our membership> I am requesting an article on this for the June newsletter which will come out soon.

Kathy Perrin, Editor



Never in my wildest dreams did I imagine I'd go up to a bank teller with a mask on asking for money.

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Join us on ZOOM.**

Meeting Information and Agenda

In June and December, a PC Clinic / Tech Help session is run concurrently with the meeting from 1 PM in the Annex.

See: <https://www.patacs.org/clinicpat.html>

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OPCUG / PATACS Saturday Meetings
12:30 – Social time in Coffee Room and Annex
1:00 – 1:05: TA-1: Meeting Start –
Introductions, Announcements
Please silence phones.
1:05 – 1:19: Q&A – detailed responses may be deferred to post-meeting communication.
1:20 – 1:50: 'Learn in 30' Presentation
1:50 – 2:00: Break in Coffee Room / Annex
2:00 – 3:20: Featured Presentation
3:20 – Door Prize Drawings (usually 3) for each group. Eligibility - group members only.
3:30 – Adjourn (Expect some flexibility in scheduled times. Order may be varied to accommodate scheduling needs of our valued presenters.)

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