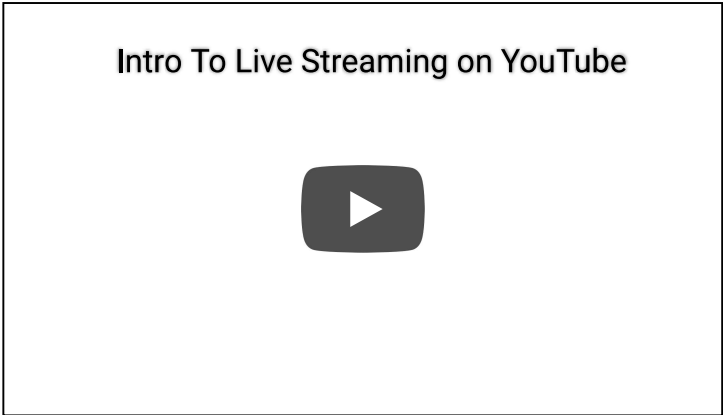


# Get started live streaming

Live streaming lets you engage with your audience in real time with a video feed, chat, and more.



## 1. Enable live streaming

To live stream, you need to have no [live streaming restrictions](#) in the past 90 days and you need to [verify your channel](#).

- [Android](#)
- Computer
- iPhone & iPad

To live stream on mobile, you need at least 1,000 subscribers.

1. On your phone or tablet, open the YouTube app.
2. From the top right, click Upload > **Go live**.
3. Enabling your first live stream may take up to 24 hours. Once enabled, you can live stream instantly.

## 2. Choose a way to stream

There are three types of streams: mobile, webcam, and encoder. Choose the one that's best for what you're streaming.

### Mobile

Good for vlogging and quick updates from your phone or tablet.

You'll need 1,000 subscribers, and a phone or tablet with a camera.

[Learn how to mobile stream.](#)

### Webcam

Quickly live stream from your computer using a webcam.

You'll need a computer with a webcam.

[Learn how to stream with a webcam.](#)

### Encoder

Encoders let you stream gameplay, overlays, and use hardware like preamps, mics, and cameras. This type of stream is commonly used for gaming, sporting events, concerts, and conferences.

[Learn how to stream using an encoder.](#)

## What you can stream

All content in live streams must adhere to our [Community Guidelines](#) and [Terms of Service](#). If you suggest that you'll live stream content that violates our Community Guidelines, we may age-restrict or remove your live stream. YouTube also reserves the right to restrict a creator's ability to live stream at its discretion.

If your live stream is restricted, you may also get a strike on your account, which will prevent you from live streaming for up to 3 months. If your account has been restricted from live streaming, you're prohibited from using another channel to live stream on YouTube. This applies for as long as the restriction remains active on your account. Violation of this restriction is considered circumvention under our Terms of Service and may result in termination of your account.

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