Discord is a free voice, video, and text chat app that’s used by tens of millions of people ages 13+ to talk and hang out with their communities and friends. The vast majority of servers are private, invite-only spaces for groups of friends and communities to stay in touch and spend time together.

**Do** use caution when posting images and videos of you or your family. Be aware of your surroundings, to include identifiable locations and any other personal security vulnerabilities.

**Do** remember there are privacy concerns when using your name and birthdate when registering for free services, such as apps and social media.

**Do** change your password periodically and turn on Two-Factor Authentication to help keep your account secure.

**Don’t** post anything in Discord that you wouldn’t want seen by the general public. It may be a private server, but conversations and photos/videos can be captured by screenshot or recorded and leaked.

**Don’t** establish connections with people or Servers you do not know or trust. Understand that people are not always who they say they are online.

**Don’t** forget to remind family members to take similar precautions with their accounts. Their privacy and share settings can expose your personal data.

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**My Account**

At the bottom left of Discord, click on the “Cog,” to access “My Account.” Under “My Account,” you can see your basic information and edit it as necessary. You should make sure that Two-Factor Authentication is enabled. If you decide you no longer have a need for a Discord account, you can either Disable or Delete the account.

If you select the green icon underneath your Profile Picture, it will bring up the option to set your status. A
Privacy & Safety

Under “Privacy & Safety” you can adjust the settings on what people can Direct Message you. It is recommended you have your Direct Messages set to “Keep Me Safe.”

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Under “Server Privacy Defaults,” there are options to “Allow Direct messages from server members” and “Allow access to NSFW servers on iOS.” It is recommended you don’t join servers you don’t trust, however here you can turn off the ability for server members to Direct Message you. Also, if you’re a parent, it is recommended you turn off the “Access to NSFW on iOS” for your children.

Under “Who can add you as a friend,” it is recommended you only allow “Server members” to add you.

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Under “How we use your Data,” it is recommended that you turn all options off so that Discord isn’t gathering any data from you.

If you want to know what data Discord has collected, you can “Request Data,” which can take up to 30 days to receive.
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Connections

Under “User Settings,” locate the “Connections” Tab. There are tons of application that Discord recognizes and can connect to your account. However, it is recommended that you don’t link your accounts.

Streaming

Under “App Settings,” there is an option to enable “Streamer Mode.” If you stream, and you use Discord as an integration tool to do so, it is recommended that you keep “Streamer Mode” on. Here you can choose the options that best suit your privacy settings.

Discord prioritizes safety and privacy among community members. They don’t sell your personal data or share it with third parties for advertising purposes.
In your Discord server, there is a drop-down arrow as highlighted in red to the left. From here you can access the “Server Settings.” Once there, you can go over to “Roles,” which allows you to create specific roles for members in your discord server. Each “Role” can have different permissions, with varying levels to it.

Under “Overview” in your Discord server, go to the “Moderation” tab. Here you are able to set the “Verification Level,” which allows you to control the criteria a Discord user in your server must have before they can send messages or direct messages. You can also set the “Explicit Media Content Filter” which will scan and delete media that contains explicit content. It is recommended that you set these to “Highest” and “Scan media content from all members.”