What is blocking? What happens when I block someone?

You can block someone to unfriend them and prevent them from starting conversations with you or seeing things you post on your timeline.

People you block can no longer:

- See things you post on your timeline
- Tag you
- Invite you to events or groups
- Start a conversation with you
- Add you as a friend

Blocking is reciprocal, so you also won’t be able to do things like start a conversation with them or add them as a friend. Keep in mind that blocking someone may not prevent all communications or interactions such as in apps or groups and only affects your experience on Facebook, not elsewhere on the web.

Note: Removing a block will not restore the friend connection. If you block a friend and then remove that person from your block list, you’ll need to send them a new friend request.

How do I block someone?

To block someone:

1. Click at the top right of any Facebook page.
2. Click How do I stop someone from bothering me?
3. Enter the name or email address of the person you want to block and click Block.
4. If you entered a name, select the specific person you want to block from the list that appears.

People will not be notified when you block them.

If you can’t find someone using this method, try going to the person’s timeline and selecting Report/Block This Person from the dropdown.

If you still can’t find the person you want to block, it’s possible that this person no longer uses Facebook or has restricted their privacy settings. Besides blocking, you can control the audience of stuff you share.
How do I block or unblock an app?

Blocking an app means it won't be able to access any information about you from Facebook or send you any requests. **Note:** This is not the same as when your iOS 6 device blocks you from sharing to Facebook.

If you received a request for an app and you want to block the app:

1. Go to the App Center
2. Click on Your Apps on the left hand side of the page.
3. Click the X next to the request
4. You'll see the yellow box which says that you removed this App.

You can also block an app from your account settings:

1. Click 🌐 in the top right corner of any Facebook page and select **Account Settings**
2. Click **Blocking** in the left column
3. Look for the header **Block apps** and enter the app name

Apps you've already blocked will appear here as well. You can unblock them by clicking **unblock** to the right of their name.
After I block someone, can I see anything about that person?

Yes. Blocking allows you to prevent many interactions with someone on Facebook, but you may still encounter content they’ve shared.

Here’s what you might see:

- **Messages**: Your message history with someone you’ve blocked will stay in your inbox. If the blocked person is ever included in a conversation with a group of friends, you’ll be able to see the message. Remember, you can leave a conversation that you don’t want to be part of, or delete a conversation that you don’t like.
- **Mutual friend stories**: There’s a chance that you’ll see stories about the blocked person through mutual friends. For example, if the blocked person tags a mutual friend in a photo, you might see this story on your friend’s timeline.
- **Photos**: You might see photos or tags of the blocked person added by other people.
- **Groups**: Someone you’ve blocked won’t be able to add you to a group, but you’ll be able to see groups that the blocked person created or is a member of.
- **Events**: Someone you’ve blocked won’t be able to invite you to an event, but you’ll be able to see events to which both you and the blocked person are invited.
- **Games and apps**: Since games and apps are run by outside developers, the Facebook block won’t apply to them. So you could see someone you blocked while you’re playing a game (for example, in the game’s chat room).

How do I unblock someone?

To unblock someone:

1. Click at the top right of any Facebook page.
2. Click How do I stop someone from bothering me?
3. Click View All Blocked Users.
4. Click Unblock next to the name of the person you want to unblock.

Please note that this will not automatically add the person back to your friends list. If you want to become friends with this person again, you’ll need to send them a new friend request.