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How to set parental controls on your Microsoft devices (Windows computers and Xbox)

Please note: when following the instructions below, the exact steps you need to take may be a little different depending on the device and software version you are using.

- You'll need to have a family account set up, with 'child' profiles for your children. Learn more here: <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/12413>
- You can not change existing adult accounts to child accounts.

Set screen time limits

- Go to <https://account.microsoft.com/family> and sign in to your Microsoft account
- Find your child's name and select 'Screen time'
- Switch 'Use one schedule for all devices' to 'On' to use the same schedule for all devices.
- Or scroll down and switch on screen time for different devices individually if you want to have separate schedules
- You can set time ranges for using devices, and how many hours per day, for each day.

Set age limits for apps, games and media

Online:

- Sign in to your Microsoft account, as above, and find your child's name
- Select 'Content restrictions'
- Go to 'Apps, games and media' and switch 'Block inappropriate apps, games and media' to 'On'.
- Under 'Allow apps and games rated for', select the age limit you want to apply to your child

On Xbox:

- Sign in with an adult account
- Press the Xbox button on the controller to open the guide, and then select System > Settings Account > Family

- Select the child account you want to put controls on, select 'Access to content', then select the age limit you want to set

Block inappropriate websites

Online:

- Sign in to your account, find your child's name, and select 'Content restrictions'
- Scroll down to 'Web browsing' and switch 'Block inappropriate websites' to 'On'
- To block specific sites, add links to them under 'Always blocked'
- To make it so your children can only access websites you've explicitly allowed, check the box next to 'Only allow these websites'

Xbox:

- Sign in to an adult account, press the Xbox button and follow the steps to get family settings above
- Select the child account you want to put controls on, then select 'Web filtering'
- Select the dropdown to see the available options, and choose the level of filtering you want

Manage purchases in the Microsoft Store

Online:

- Sign in to your account, as above, find your child's name and select 'Spending'
- Under 'Ask a parent', switch 'Needs adult approval to buy things' to 'On'

Xbox:

- Go into your family settings, as explained above, and choose a child account
- Select Privacy & online safety > Xbox Live privacy > View details & customize > Buy & download and then select 'On' in the 'Ask a parent' box
- Read more here: <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/hub/4294457/microsoft-accounthelp#manage-family>

