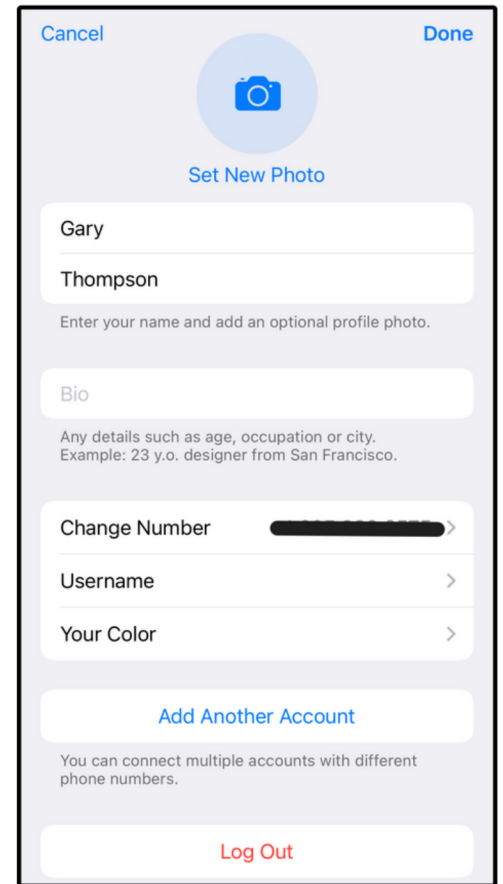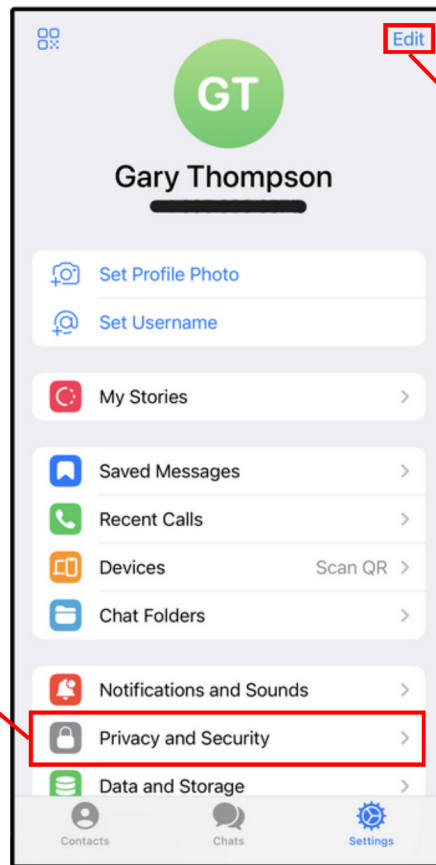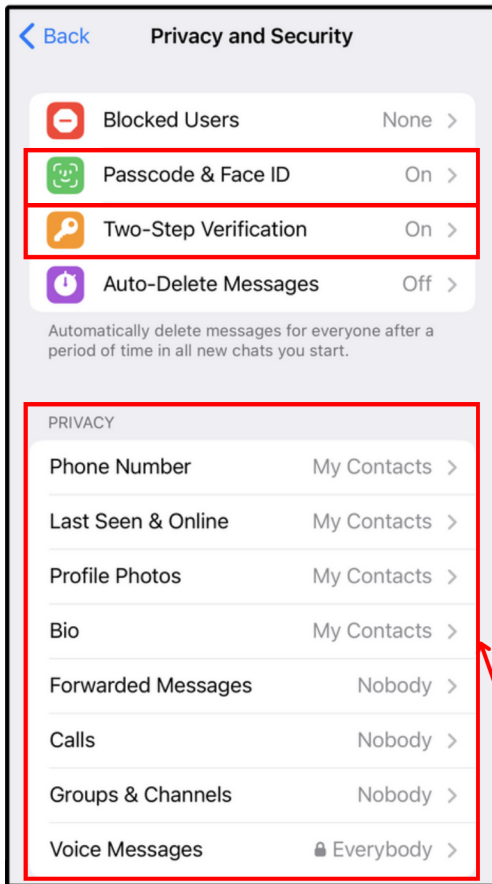# Telegram *smart card*

Telegram, also known as Telegram Messenger, is a free cloud-based instant messaging service that allows users to securely message friends, share media, and join different communities.

IMPORTANT ACCOUNT SETTINGS

The **Privacy and Security** settings allow the user to utilize a Passcode or Face ID and turn on Two-Step Verification. Both of which are highly recommended.

To edit your profile picture, name, bio, phone number, and username, click **Edit** at the top right of the settings page. You can also add a second account or log out on this page.

Privacy and Security

‹ Back	Privacy and Security	
🚫 Blocked Users		None ›
😊 Passcode & Face ID		On ›
🔑 Two-Step Verification		On ›
⏱ Auto-Delete Messages		Off ›

Automatically delete messages for everyone after a period of time in all new chats you start.

PRIVACY

Phone Number	My Contacts ›
Last Seen & Online	My Contacts ›
Profile Photos	My Contacts ›
Bio	My Contacts ›
Forwarded Messages	Nobody ›
Calls	Nobody ›
Groups & Channels	Nobody ›
Voice Messages	🔒 Everybody ›

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📷 Set Profile Photo	
@ Set Username	
🔴 My Stories	›
📗 Saved Messages	›
📞 Recent Calls	›
📱 Devices	Scan QR ›
📁 Chat Folders	›
🔔 Notifications and Sounds	›
🔒 Privacy and Security	›
🗄 Data and Storage	›

Contacts   Chats   **Settings**

Within the privacy section, you are able to control who can contact you and see your personal information. Be sure to limit your information to your contacts, or nobody at all.
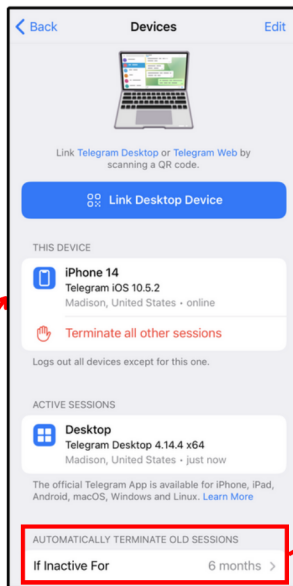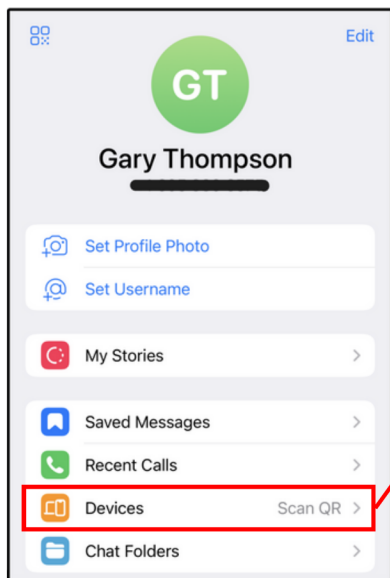
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📷 Set New Photo

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Enter your name and add an optional profile photo.

Bio

Any details such as age, occupation or city. Example: 23 y.o. designer from San Francisco.

Change Number	━━━━━━ ›
Username	›
Your Color	›

Add Another Account

You can connect multiple accounts with different phone numbers.

Log Out

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MANAGING CONNECTED DEVICES

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- Set Profile Photo
- Set Username
- My Stories
- Saved Messages
- Recent Calls
- Devices — Scan QR
- Chat Folders

Devices

Link Telegram Desktop or Telegram Web by scanning a QR code.

Link Desktop Device

THIS DEVICE

iPhone 14
Telegram iOS 10.5.2
Madison, United States · online

Terminate all other sessions

Logs out all devices except for this one.

ACTIVE SESSIONS

Desktop
Telegram Desktop 4.14.4 x64
Madison, United States · just now

The official Telegram App is available for iPhone, iPad, Android, macOS, Windows and Linux. Learn More

AUTOMATICALLY TERMINATE OLD SESSIONS

If Inactive For — 6 months

Within the **Devices** section, users can link their account with the desktop application. This section also allows users to see/terminate all active Telegram sessions associated with their account. Be sure to terminate any sessions for devices you don't recognize.

You can also automatically log out of devices that have not been utilized after a certain period of time.

DELETING YOUR ACCOUNT

To close your account, you will need to go to **https://my.telegram.org/auth** and enter the phone number associated with your Telegram account. From there, you can delete your account.

Delete Account or Manage Apps

Log in here to **manage your apps** using Telegram API or **delete your account**. Enter your number and we will send you a confirmation code via Telegram (not SMS).

Your Phone Number

+12223334455

Please enter your number in international format

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THINGS TO REMEMBER

- **Limit Personal Information** - Avoid sharing unnecessary personal details, especially with people you do not know.
- **Beware of Scams** - Phishing attacks and other scams can occur within Telegram. Verify information before sharing personal information.
- **Avoid Unsafe Communities** - Be cautious and avoid joining communities that advertise or promote illegal or malicious behavior.
- **Report Suspicious Activity** - If you see any content that is potentially unsafe, report the user or group to Telegram.

USEFUL LINKS

Safe Search Kids

https://www.safesearchkids.com/

Microsoft Safety & Security
https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/4091455/windows-protect-privacy-internet

OnGuard Online
https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/feature-0038-onguardonline

Telegram Press Info
https://telegram.org/press#privacy

Telegram Support
https://telegram.org/support

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