

How to turn disappearing messages on or off in a group

XML Code

Android

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
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<help-content>
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  <meta name="keywords" value="groups, disappearing messages, message settings, group messaging, group settings"/>
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  <meta name="platforms" value="android, iphone"/>
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</platform show="android">
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<li>Open the group chat.</li>
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<li>Tap the group name.</li>
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<li>Tap <b>Disappearing messages</b>.</li>
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<ul><li>If prompted, tap <b>Continue</b>.</li></ul>
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<li>Select, <b>24 hours</b>, <b>7 days</b>, or <b>90 days</b>.</li>
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Select which chats you want to enable.
Tap <asset set="whatsapp_help_article_assets" alt="check" name="android-check" size="icon"/>
Tap Done.

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Open the group chat.
Tap the group name.
Tap Disappearing messages.
If prompted, tap Continue.
Select off.
Select which chats you want to disable.
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<li>Tap <b>Apply</b>.</li>
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<li>About <a href="https://faq.example.com/6315026120">disappearing messages</a>
<li>How to <a href="https://faq.example.com/36115026136">turn disappearing messages on
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<li>How to <a href="https://faq.example.com/965026196">turn disappearing messages on and
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