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SafeSearch: Turn on or off

SafeSearch can help you block inappropriate or explicit images from your Google Search results. The SafeSearch filter isn't 100% accurate, but it helps you avoid most adult content.

Turn SafeSearch on or off

Computer

Turn SafeSearch on or off

1. Visit the [Search Settings](#) page.
2. Find the "SafeSearch filters" section.
 - Turn on SafeSearch by checking the box next to "Filter explicit results."
 - Turn off SafeSearch by unchecking the box next to "Filter explicit results."
3. Click **Save** at the bottom of the page.

Keep SafeSearch turned on

You can lock SafeSearch to prevent others, like your kids or anyone who is borrowing your computer, from turning SafeSearch off if you've turned it on. To keep SafeSearch on, click **Lock SafeSearch** on the Settings page. Learn more about [locking SafeSearch](#).

My SafeSearch setting keeps turning off

SafeSearch should stay on if [cookies are enabled](#) on your computer. If you delete your cookies, your SafeSearch setting may be reset.

Your internet service provider (ISP) or network administrator can override your SafeSearch setting. If you feel like the SafeSearch setting you picked isn't being applied to your search results, contact your ISP or network administrator for more information.

Phone browser

1. Visit the [Search Settings](#) page.
2. Find the "SafeSearch filters" section.
 - Turn on SafeSearch by selecting **Filter explicit results**.

- Turn off SafeSearch by selecting **Show most relevant results**.

3. Touch **Save** at the bottom of the page.

Android app

1. Open the Google app .
2. In the top left corner of the page, click the Menu icon  > **Settings > Accounts & privacy**.
3. Scroll down to "SafeSearch filter."
 - Turn on SafeSearch by checking the box.
 - Turn off SafeSearch by unchecking the box.

iPhone or iPad app

1. Open the Google app .
2. In the top left corner of the home screen, touch the gear icon . (If you're in Google Now, scroll down to get back to the home screen.)
3. Touch **SafeSearch**.
4. Choose the **Smart** or **Strict setting**.
5. Touch **Done**.

Tablet browser

Turn SafeSearch on or off

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2. Find the "SafeSearch filters" section.
 - Turn on SafeSearch by checking the box next to "Filter explicit results."
 - Turn off SafeSearch by unchecking the box next to "Filter explicit results."
3. Touch **Save** at the bottom of the page.

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My SafeSearch setting keeps turning off

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How SafeSearch works

When SafeSearch is on, sexually explicit video and images will be filtered from Google Search result pages, along with results that might link to explicit content.

When SafeSearch is off, we'll provide the most relevant results for your search and may include explicit content when you search for it.

Report inappropriate content

We do our best to keep the SafeSearch filter as thorough as possible, but sometimes sexual images, like porn or nudity, make it through. If you have SafeSearch set to filter explicit results, but still see inappropriate sites or images, please let us know.

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