**How to Sign Up on Twitter**

**To create an account:**

1. Go to [http://twitter.com](http://twitter.com/) and find the sign up box, or go directly to <https://twitter.com/signup>.
2. Enter your **full name**, **email address**, and a **password**.
3. Click **Sign up for Twitter**.
4. On the next page, you can select a **username** (usernames are unique identifiers on Twitter) — type your own or choose one we've suggested. We'll tell you if the username you want is available.
5. **Double-check** your name, email address, password, and username.
6. Click **Create my account.**You may be asked to complete a Captcha to let us know that you're human.
7. Twitter will send a **confirmation email** to the address you entered on sign up, click the link in that email to confirm your email address and account.

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**Tips for picking a username:**

* Your **username** is the name your followers use when sending @replies, mentions, and direct messages.
* It will also form the URL of your Twitter profile page. We'll provide a few available suggestions when you sign up, but feel free to choose your own.
* **Please note**: You can [change your username](http://support.twitter.com/articles/14609-how-to-change-your-username) in your account settings at any time, as long as the new username is not already in use.
* Usernames **must be fewer than 15 characters** in length and cannot contain "admin" or "Twitter", in order to avoid brand confusion.

**Important information about your email address:**

* **An email address can only be associated with one Twitter account at a time.**
* The email address you use on your Twitter account is not publicly visible to others on Twitter.
* We use the email you enter to confirm your new Twitter account. Be sure to enter an email address that you actively use and have access to. Check your inbox for a confirmation email to make sure you signed up for your account correctly.

**First steps after you've created your account:**

1. After signing up, follow a handful of accounts to create a customized stream of information on your homepage. [Following](https://support.twitter.com/articles/162981-how-to-follow-others) means you'll get that user's Tweets on your Twitter homepage. You can [unfollow](https://support.twitter.com/articles/15355-how-to-unfollow-users-on-twitter) anyone at any time. Find out how to follow news sources, friends, and more in our [How to Find People on Twitter article.](https://support.twitter.com/articles/14022-how-to-find-people-on-twitter)
2. Read our [Twitter 101 article](https://support.twitter.com/articles/215585-twitter-101-how-should-i-get-started-using-twitter).
3. Take the [Twitter Tour](https://support.twitter.com/articles/20169519) to find out where things are on our website. Or, learn about [using Twitter on your mobile phone](https://support.twitter.com/groups/34-apps-sms-and-mobile).

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**Having Trouble?**

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