

# Social media age restrictions

## information for educators

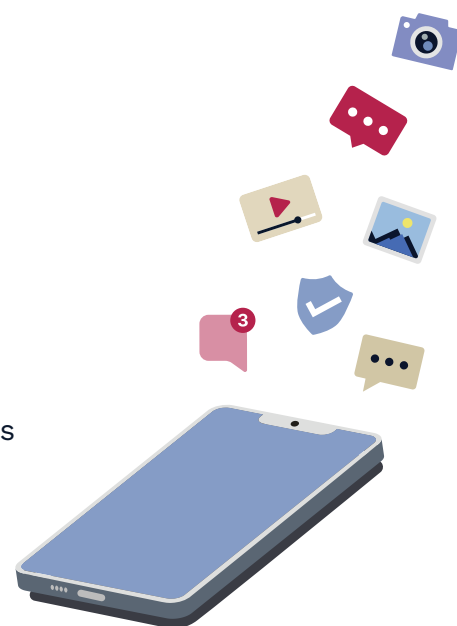
From 10 December 2025, age-restricted social media platforms will have to take reasonable steps to prevent Australians under 16 from creating or keeping accounts.

### What you need to know

- The age restrictions are likely to apply to Facebook, Instagram, Kick, Reddit, Snapchat, Threads, TikTok, X, YouTube as well as other platforms. Visit [eSafety.gov.au](https://esafety.gov.au) for the latest list.
- Under-16s will still be able to see publicly available social media content that doesn't require logging into an account.
- Schools may need to explore alternative methods for communicating with parents and students.
- There are exclusions for a number of platforms, including educational tools such as learning management systems. For example, Google Classroom and YouTube Kids will not be age restricted, and YouTube videos that can be seen without logging in can still be shared by teachers.
- For further guidance, including whether educators will be able to use their own accounts to share age-appropriate education materials, please refer to school or sector policies and procedures.

Find out more general information at  
[eSafety's social media age restrictions hub](https://esafety.gov.au).

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