



RCSLT 'Techipe' for WhatsApp

What is WhatsApp?

WhatsApp is a messaging system available for all smartphones and used by half a billion people across the world. WhatsApp uses your mobile internet/ Wi-Fi (when available) to message with colleagues, friends and family. Switch from SMS to WhatsApp to send and receive messages, documents, pictures, audio notes and video messages. The first year is free, then £0.69 per year afterwards.

Ingredients:

1. Smartphone/iPhone
2. Mobile internet (3G/4G) or Wi-Fi

Method:

1. Go to your app downloader on your phone (i.e. AppStore, Google Play). You can also download it independently by using any search engine installed on your phone or directly from their website, if you have an android phone.
2. Search for WhatsApp and click download
3. Once installed you will be asked to fill in your mobile number and possibly email address (I would advise your home email address)
4. You are now ready to start messaging other contacts that have WhatsApp

What's so tasty about WhatsApp?

No hidden cost: Once you and your friends download the application, you can use it to chat as much as you want. Send a million messages a day to your friends for free! WhatsApp uses your Internet connection: 3G/4G or Wi-Fi.

Multimedia: Send Videos, Photos, Screenshots, and Voice recordings to your friends and contacts.

Group chat: Enjoy group conversations with your contacts. Add or Remove group participants, change group subject and set a group photo.

Personal: Set a profile photo and status which will be shown to all your contacts

No international charges: Just like there is no added cost to send an international email, there is no cost to send WhatsApp messages internationally. Chat with your friends all over the world as long as they have WhatsApp Messenger installed and avoid those pesky international SMS costs.

Say no to pins and usernames: Why even bother having to remember yet another PIN or username? WhatsApp works with your phone number, just like SMS would, and integrates flawlessly with your existing phone address book.

No need to log in/out: No more confusion about getting logged off from another computer or device. With push notifications WhatsApp is ALWAYS ON and ALWAYS CONNECTED (as long as your Internet/Wi-Fi is).

No need to add your contacts: Your Address Book is used to automatically connect you with your contacts. Your contacts who already have WhatsApp Messenger will be automatically displayed.

Share more: Share location and places, Exchange contacts, Custom wallpaper, Custom notification sounds, Landscape mode, Message timestamps, Read reports, Email chat history, Broadcast messages and media to many contacts at once, and much more!

For advice or queries please visit: www.whatsapp.com/

Feedback and suggestions:

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