

# Know the signs...

## Google - Privacy Guide

SafeSearch is a feature provided by Google which helps filter out inappropriate adult content and images, and allows children and young people to search through Google without coming across inappropriate content.

The feature is not 100% accurate however filters out most adult content.

When SafeSearch is activated, inappropriate adult content, videos and images will be filtered out from Google Searches, including results that might link to other inappropriate content.

### How to activate SafeSearch

#### Computer

1. Visit the "Search Settings" page (<https://www.google.com/preferences>)
2. In the "SafeSearch filters" box, click in the box so there is a tick sign.
3. Scroll to the bottom of the page and click "Save".

#### Phone browser

1. Visit the "Search Settings" page (<https://www.google.com/preferences>)
2. In the "SafeSearch filters" section, select "Filter explicit results" to turn on SafeSearch.
3. Select "Save" at the bottom of the page.

#### Android app

1. Open up your Google app.
2. In the top left-hand corner of the app, click the menu icon (three horizontal lines) and select Settings > Accounts & privacy.
3. Scroll down for "SafeSearch filters" and check the box to turn on SafeSearch.

#### iPhone / iPad app

1. Open the Google app on your iPhone or iPad.
2. In the top left corner of the home screen, click on your photo or the gear icon "Settings".
3. Click on "Search Settings".
4. Click on "Filter explicit results" to turn SafeSearch on.
5. Click on "Save".

#### Tablet browser

1. Visit the "Search Settings" page (<https://www.google.com/preferences>).
2. Find the "SafeSearch filters" section and you on SafeSearch by checking the box next to "Filter explicit results."
3. Click on "Save" to save the changes you have made.



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### Android TV

1. From the Android TV home screen, scroll down and select "Settings".
2. Under "Preferences", select Search > SafeSearch filter.
3. Select "On" to turn on SafeSearch.

### Keep SafeSearch locked

SafeSearch can be locked to ensure someone else cannot turn the feature off if you have turned it on.

### Lock SafeSearch

1. Visit the "Search Settings" page (<https://www.google.com/preferences>).
2. Click on "Filter explicit results" to turn on SafeSearch if it isn't already activated.
3. To lock SafeSearch, click the "Lock SafeSearch" link next to "Filter explicit results." You may be prompted to sign in.
4. Once you're signed in, confirm that you want lock SafeSearch by clicking "Lock SafeSearch".
5. You'll see a confirmation page once the lock is on.

### Know the Signs

Child sexual exploitation can take place over the internet, and can lead to other 'off line' types of CSE.

Even something that seems like normal teenage behaviour could be a sign that a child is being exploited.

These can include:

- Increasing or secretive mobile phone use
- Excessive amount of time online & being secretive about time online
- A significantly older 'boyfriend' or 'friend' or lots of new friends
- Change in behaviour - becoming aggressive & disruptive or quiet & withdrawn
- Unexplained gifts or new possessions such as clothes, jewellery, mobile phones or money that can't be accounted for
- Regularly missing from home or school and staying out all night

If you have concerns about a child you know report it to West Yorkshire Police by calling **101**. Always call **999** in an emergency.

Deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired people can use textphone **18001 101**.

You can call Crimestoppers anonymously on **0800 555 111**.

