In this new world, everyone has a role in making sure that people can make informed choices about how they connect & share.

Social media is creating a world that is more open and connected, enabling people to share the most important parts of their lives with families, friends and communities.

Facebook and the National Association of Attorneys General have teamed up to offer these tips on how you can control your information on Facebook. Our goal is to help you take advantage of the privacy controls that Facebook puts at the center of the experience, so that you can make the choice that is right for you about what information you share, and with whom you share it.

Use Privacy Controls

1. Check your audience before you post

   Facebook has in-line privacy controls so that you can set your audience – Private, Friends, Friends of Friends, Public – before you post a status update.

2. Check app privacy before authorizing an app

   Before authorizing an app, Facebook tells you what information the app is gathering. You’ll also be able to choose whether to allow the app to make timeline posts on your behalf.

3. Be location aware

   Whether you’re checking in with your mobile device or you are tagging your location, you’re in control of whether you share your location with other people on Facebook.
The Facebook Data Use Policy is the central location for information about privacy on Facebook. It features all of the information you need about controlling your information on the site, with apps, and in mobile.

The Facebook Help Center lets you get answers to your privacy questions. You can also learn the Facebook privacy basics, learn about the privacy features of new parts of our service, and see how to contact Facebook when you have a problem.

On Facebook, safety is a conversation and everyone has a role. Stay up to date on how privacy is built into the Facebook service by liking the Facebook & Privacy Page. The page also includes an Ask the CPO feature that lets you send questions to Facebook's Chief Privacy Officer, and any other privacy information.