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Basics

Read me first

Please read this manual before using the device to ensure safe and proper use.

- Descriptions are based on the device's default settings.
- Some content may differ from your device depending on the region, service provider, model specifications, or device's software.
- Content (high quality content) that requires high CPU and RAM usage will affect the overall performance of the device. Apps related to the content may not work properly depending on the device's specifications and the environment that it is used in.
- Samsung is not liable for performance issues caused by apps supplied by providers other than Samsung.
- Samsung is not liable for performance issues or incompatibilities caused by edited registry settings or modified operating system software. Attempting to customise the operating system may cause the device or apps to work improperly.
- Software, sound sources, wallpapers, images, and other media provided with this device are licensed for limited use. Extracting and using these materials for commercial or other purposes is an infringement of copyright laws. Users are entirely responsible for illegal use of media.
- You may incur additional charges for data services, such as messaging, uploading and downloading, auto-syncing, or using location services depending on your data plan. For large data transfers, it is recommended to use the Wi-Fi feature. (SM-T295, SM-T297)
- Default apps that come with the device are subject to updates and may no longer be supported without prior notice. If you have questions about an app provided with the device, contact a Samsung Service Centre. For user-installed apps, contact service providers.

- Modifying the device's operating system or installing softwares from unofficial sources may result in device malfunctions and data corruption or loss. These actions are violations of your Samsung licence agreement and will void your warranty.
- Depending on the region or service provider, a screen protector is attached for protection during production and distribution. Damage to the attached screen protector is not covered by the warranty.
- You can see the touchscreen clearly even in strong outdoor sunlight by automatically adjusting the contrast range based on the surrounding environment. Due to the nature of the product, displaying fixed graphics for extended periods may result in afterimages (screen burn-in) or ghosting.
 - It is recommended not to use fixed graphics on part or all of the touchscreen for extended periods and turn off the touchscreen when not using the device.
 - You can set the touchscreen to turn off automatically when you are not using it. Launch the **Settings** app, tap **Display** → **Screen timeout**, and then select the length of time you want the device to wait before turning off the touchscreen.
 - To set the touchscreen to automatically adjust its brightness based on the surrounding environment, launch the **Settings** app, tap **Display**, and then tap the **Adaptive brightness** switch to activate it.
- Depending on the region or model, some devices are required to receive approval from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). If your device is approved by the FCC, you can view the FCC ID of the device. To view the FCC ID, launch the **Settings** app and tap **About tablet** → **Status**.
- Depending on the region, you can view the regulatory information on the device. To view the information, launch the **Settings** app and tap **About tablet** → **Regulatory information**.

Instructional icons



Warning: situations that could cause injury to yourself or others



Caution: situations that could cause damage to your device or other equipment



Notice: notes, usage tips, or additional information

Device overheating situations and solutions

When the device heats up while charging the battery

While charging, the device and the charger may become hot. During wireless charging or fast charging, the device may feel hotter to the touch. This does not affect the device's lifespan or performance and is in the device's normal range of operation. If the battery becomes too hot, the charger may stop charging.

Do the following when the device heats up:

- Disconnect the charger from the device and close any running apps. Wait for the device to cool down and then begin charging the device again.
- If the lower part of the device overheats, it could be because the connected USB cable is damaged. Replace the damaged USB cable with a new Samsung-approved one.
- When using a wireless charger, do not place foreign materials, such as metal objects, magnets, and magnetic stripe cards, between the device and the wireless charger.



The wireless charging or fast charging feature is only available on supported models.

When the device heats up during use

When you use features or apps that require more power or use them for extended periods, your device may temporarily heat up due to increased battery consumption. Close any running apps and do not use the device for a while.

The following are examples of situations in which the device may overheat. Depending on the functions and apps you use, these examples may not apply to your model.

- During the initial setup after purchase or when restoring data
- When downloading large files
- When using apps that require more power or using apps for extended periods
 - When playing high-quality games for extended periods
 - When recording videos for extended periods
 - When streaming videos while using the maximum brightness setting
 - When connecting to a TV
- While multitasking (or, when running many apps in the background)
 - When using Multi window
 - When updating or installing apps while recording videos
 - When downloading large files during a video call
 - When recording videos while using a navigation app
- When using large amount of data for syncing with the cloud, email, or other accounts
- When using a navigation app in a car while the device is placed in direct sunlight
- When using the mobile hotspot and tethering feature
- When using the device in areas with weak signals or no reception
- When charging the battery with a damaged USB cable
- When the device's multipurpose jack is damaged or exposed to foreign materials, such as liquid, dust, metal powder, and pencil lead
- When you are roaming

Do the following when the device heats up:

- Keep the device updated with the latest software.
- Conflicts between running apps may cause the device to heat up. Restart the device.
- Deactivate the Wi-Fi, GPS, and Bluetooth features when not using them.
- Close apps that increase battery consumption or that run in the background when not in use.
- Delete unnecessary files or unused apps.
- Decrease the screen brightness.
- If the device overheats or feels hot for a prolonged period, do not use it for a while. If the device continues to overheat, contact a Samsung Service Centre.

Precautions for device overheating

If you begin to feel uncomfortable due to the device overheating, stop using the device.

When the device heats up, the features and performance may be limited or the device may turn off to cool down. The feature is only available on supported models.

- If the device overheats and reaches a certain temperature, a warning message will appear to prevent device failure, skin irritations and damages, and battery leakage. To lower the device's temperature, the screen brightness and the performance speed will be limited and battery charging will stop. Running apps will be closed and all calling and other features will be limited, except for emergency calls, until the device cools down.
- If the second message appears due to a further increase of the device's temperature, the device will turn off. Do not use the device until the device's temperature drops below the specified level. If the second warning message appears during an emergency call, the call will not be disconnected by a forced shut down.

Precautions for operating environment

Your device may heat up due to the environment in the following conditions. Use caution to avoid shortening the battery's lifespan, damaging the device, or causing a fire.

- Do not store your device in very cold or very hot temperatures.
- Do not expose your device to direct sunlight for extended periods.
- Do not use or store your device for extended periods in very hot areas, such as inside a car in the summertime.
- Do not place the device in any areas that may overheat, such as on an electric heating mat.
- Do not store your device near or in heaters, microwaves, hot cooking equipment, or high pressure containers.
- Never use a damaged charger or battery.

Device layout and functions

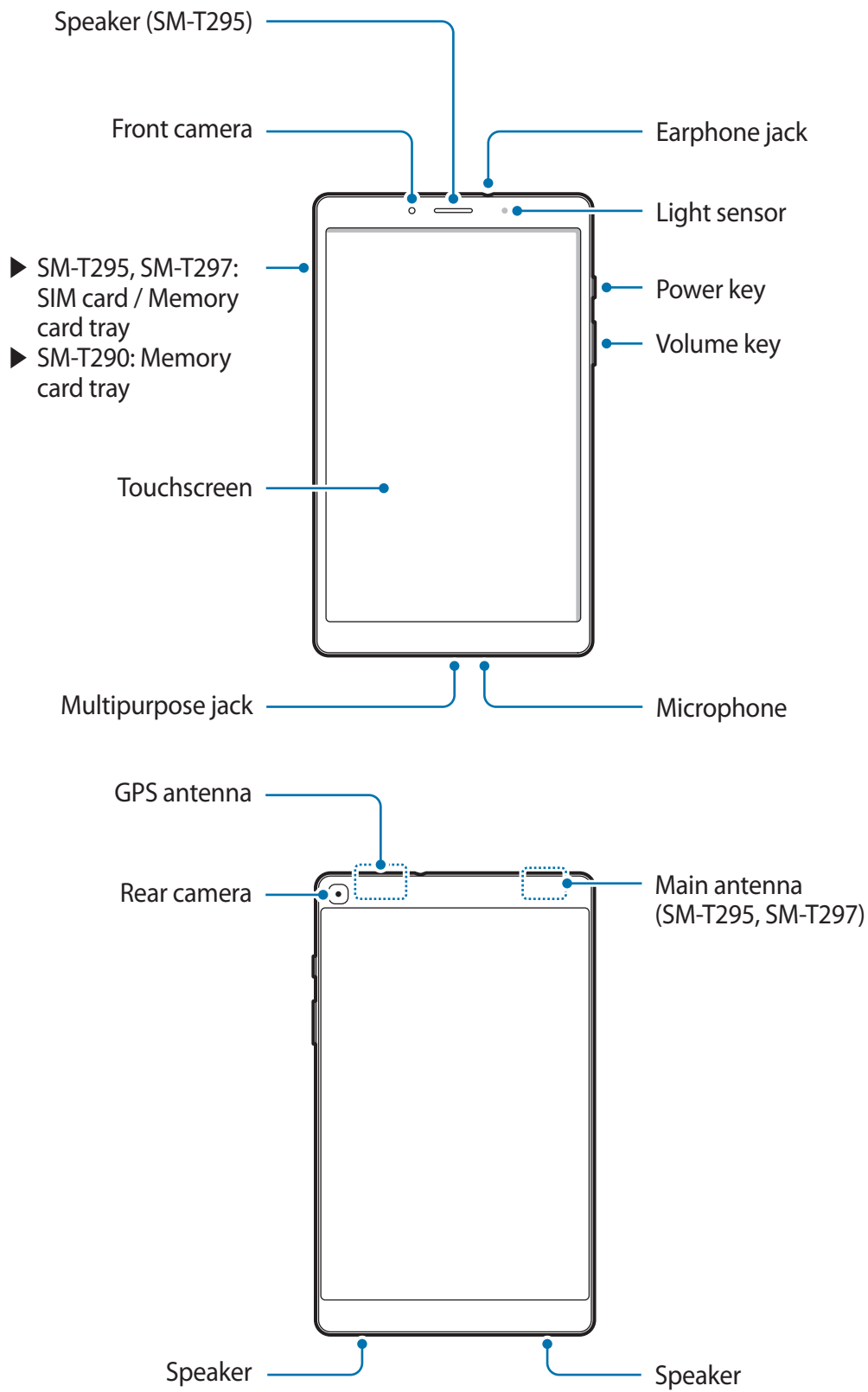
Package contents

Refer to the quick start guide for package contents.



- The items supplied with the device and any available accessories may vary depending on the region or service provider.
- The supplied items are designed only for this device and may not be compatible with other devices.
- Appearances and specifications are subject to change without prior notice.
- You can purchase additional accessories from your local Samsung retailer. Make sure they are compatible with the device before purchase.
- Use only Samsung-approved accessories. Using unapproved accessories may cause the performance problems and malfunctions that are not covered by the warranty.
- Availability of all accessories is subject to change depending entirely on manufacturing companies. For more information about available accessories, refer to the Samsung website.

Device layout



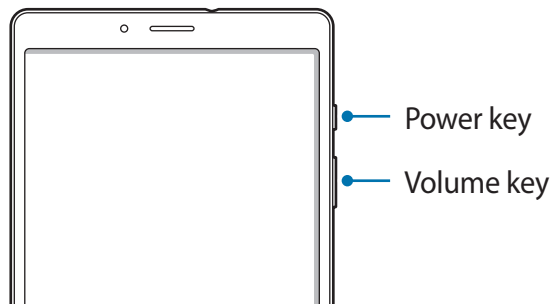


- When using the speakers, such as when playing media files or using speakerphone, do not place the device close to your ears.
- Be careful not to expose the camera lens to a strong light source, such as direct sunlight. If the camera lens is exposed to a strong light source, such as direct sunlight, the camera image sensor may be damaged. A damaged image sensor is irreparable and will cause dots or spots in pictures.
- If you use the device with its glass or acrylic body broken, there may be a risk of injury. Use the device only after it has been repaired at a Samsung Service Centre.



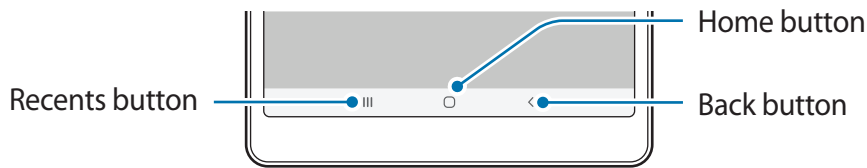
- Connectivity problems and battery drain may occur in the following situations:
 - If you attach metallic stickers on the antenna area of the device
 - If you attach a device cover made with metallic material to the device
 - If you cover the device's antenna area with your hands or other objects while using certain features, such as calls or the mobile data connection (SM-T295, SM-T297)
- Using a Samsung-approved screen protector is recommended. Unapproved screen protectors may cause the sensors to malfunction.
- Do not cover the light sensor area with screen accessories, such as a screen protector or stickers. Doing so may cause the sensor to malfunction.
- Do not allow water to contact the touchscreen. The touchscreen may malfunction in humid conditions or when exposed to water.

Hard keys



Key	Function
Power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Press and hold to turn the device on or off. • Press to turn on or lock the screen.
Volume	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Press to adjust the device volume.

Soft buttons



When you turn on the screen, the soft buttons will appear at the bottom of the screen. The soft buttons are set to the Recents button, Home button, and Back button by default. Refer to [Navigation bar \(soft buttons\)](#) for more information.

Battery

Charging the battery

Charge the battery before using it for the first time or when it has been unused for extended periods.



Use only Samsung-approved chargers, batteries, and cables. Unapproved chargers or cables can cause the battery to explode or damage the device.

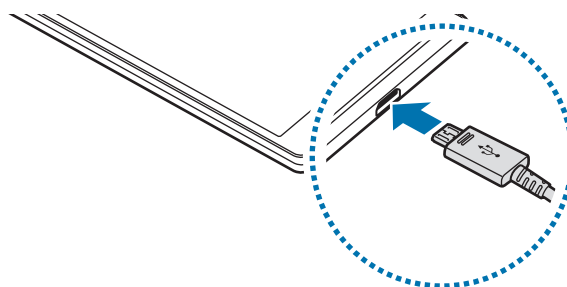


Connecting the charger improperly may cause serious damage to the device. Any damage caused by misuse is not covered by the warranty.



To save energy, unplug the charger when not in use. The charger does not have a power switch, so you must unplug the charger from the electric socket when not in use to avoid wasting power. The charger should remain close to the electric socket and easily accessible while charging.

- 1 Connect the USB cable to the USB power adaptor.
- 2 Plug the USB cable into the device's multipurpose jack.



- 3 Plug the USB power adaptor into an electric socket.
- 4 After fully charging, disconnect the charger from the device. Then, unplug the charger from the electric socket.

Reducing the battery consumption

Your device provides various options that help you conserve battery power.

- Optimise the device using the device care feature.
- When you are not using the device, turn off the screen by pressing the Power key.
- Activate power saving mode.
- Close unnecessary apps.
- Deactivate the Bluetooth feature when not in use.
- Deactivate auto-syncing of apps that need to be synced.
- Decrease the backlight time.
- Decrease the screen brightness.

Battery charging tips and precautions

- When the battery power is low, the battery icon appears empty.
- If the battery is completely discharged, the device cannot be turned on immediately when the charger is connected. Allow a depleted battery to charge for a few minutes before turning on the device.
- If you use multiple apps at once, network apps, or apps that need a connection to another device, the battery will drain quickly. To avoid losing power during a data transfer, always use these apps after fully charging the battery.
- Using a power source other than the charger, such as a computer, may result in a slower charging speed due to a lower electric current.
- The device can be used while it is charging, but it may take longer to fully charge the battery.
- If the device receives an unstable power supply while charging, the touchscreen may not function. If this happens, unplug the charger from the device.

- While charging, the device and the charger may heat up. This is normal and should not affect the device's lifespan or performance. If the battery gets hotter than usual, the charger may stop charging. If this occurs during wireless charging, disconnect the device from the charger to let it cool down, then charge the device again later.
- If you charge the device while the multipurpose jack is wet, the device may be damaged. Thoroughly dry the multipurpose jack before charging the device.
- If the device is not charging properly, take the device and the charger to a Samsung Service Centre.

SIM or USIM card (nano-SIM card) (SM-T295, SM-T297)

Installing the SIM or USIM card

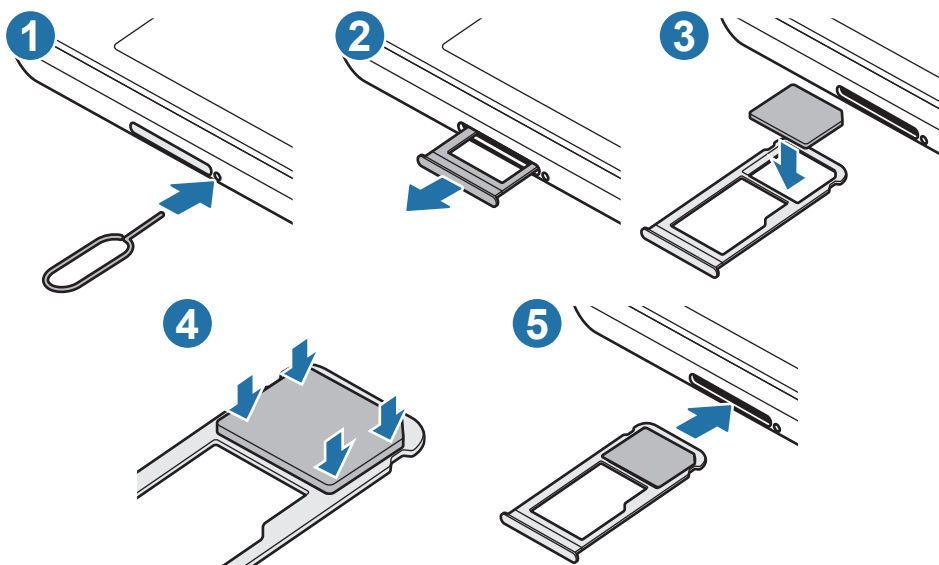
Insert the SIM or USIM card provided by the mobile telephone service provider.




- Use only a nano-SIM card.
- Use caution not to lose or let others use the SIM or USIM card. Samsung is not responsible for any damages or inconveniences caused by lost or stolen cards.



Some services that require a network connection may not be available depending on the service provider.




1 Insert the ejection pin into the hole next to the tray to loosen the tray.

 Ensure that the ejection pin is perpendicular to the hole. Otherwise, the device may be damaged.


2 Pull out the tray gently from the tray slot.

3 Place the SIM or USIM card on the tray with the gold-coloured contacts facing downwards.

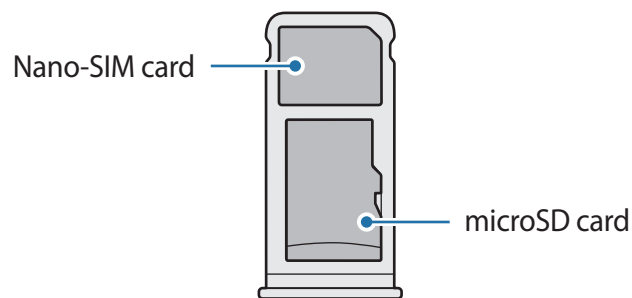
4 Gently press the SIM or USIM card into the tray to secure it.

 If the card is not fixed firmly into the tray, the SIM card may leave or fall out of the tray.

5 Insert the tray back into the tray slot.

 • If you insert the tray into your device while the tray is wet, your device may be damaged. Always make sure the tray is dry.
• Fully insert the tray into the tray slot to prevent liquid from entering your device.



Correct card installation



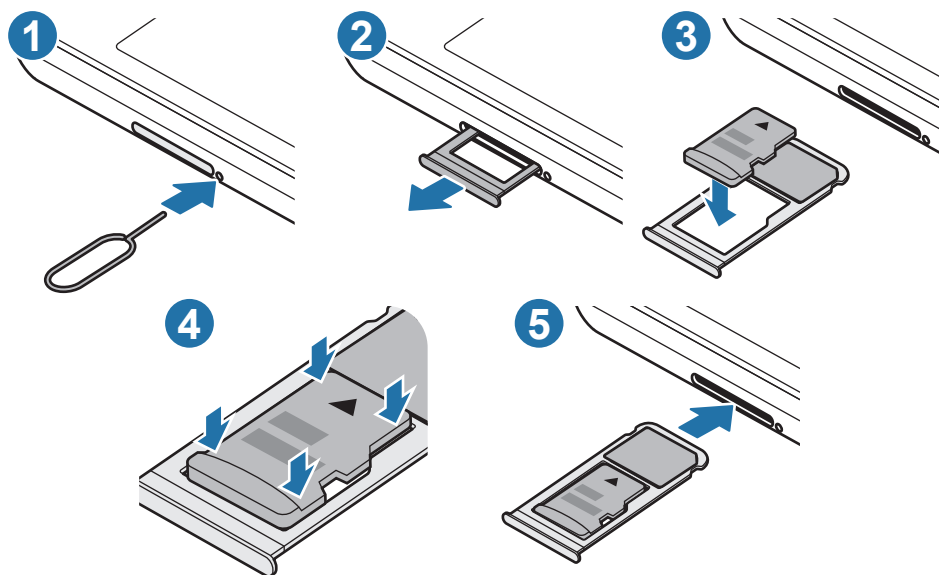
Memory card (microSD card)

Installing a memory card

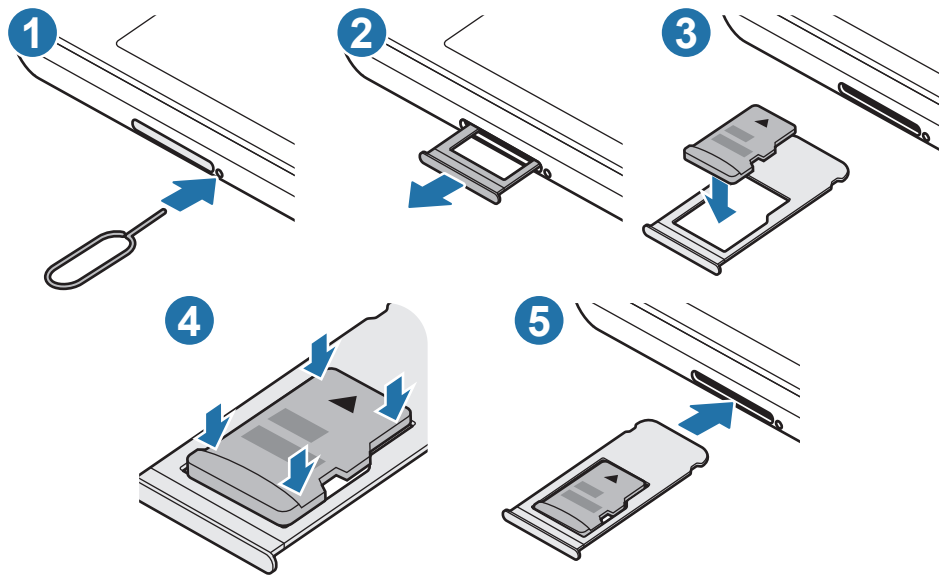
Your device's memory card capacity may vary from other models and some memory cards may not be compatible with your device depending on the memory card manufacturer and type. To view your device's maximum memory card capacity, refer to the Samsung website.

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 - Some memory cards may not be fully compatible with the device. Using an incompatible card may damage the device or the memory card, or corrupt the data stored in it.
 - Use caution to insert the memory card right-side up.
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 - The device supports the FAT and the exFAT file systems for memory cards. When inserting a card formatted in a different file system, the device will ask to reformat the card or will not recognise the card. To use the memory card, you must format it. If your device cannot format or recognise the memory card, contact the memory card manufacturer or a Samsung Service Centre.
 - Frequent writing and erasing of data shortens the lifespan of memory cards.
 - When inserting a memory card into the device, the memory card's file directory appears in the **My Files** → **SD card** folder.

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1 Insert the ejection pin into the hole next to the tray to loosen the tray.

⚠ Ensure that the ejection pin is perpendicular to the hole. Otherwise, the device may be damaged.

2 Pull out the tray gently from the tray slot.

⚠ When you remove the tray from the device, the mobile data connection will be disabled. (SM-T295, SM-T297)

3 Place a memory card on the tray with the gold-coloured contacts facing downwards.

4 Gently press the memory card into the tray to secure it.

⚠ If the card is not fixed firmly into the tray, the memory card may leave or fall out of the tray.


5 Insert the tray back into the tray slot.

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- If you insert the tray into your device while the tray is wet, your device may be damaged. Always make sure the tray is dry.
- Fully insert the tray into the tray slot to prevent liquid from entering your device.

Removing the memory card

Before removing the memory card, first unmount it for safe removal.

Launch the **Settings** app and tap **Device care** → **Storage** →  → **Storage settings** → **SD card** → **Unmount**.



Do not remove external storage, such as a memory card or USB storage, while the device is transferring or accessing information, or right after transferring data. Doing so can cause data to be corrupted or lost or cause damage to the external storage or device. Samsung is not responsible for losses, including loss of data, resulting from the misuse of external storage devices.

Formatting the memory card

A memory card formatted on a computer may not be compatible with the device. Format the memory card on the device.

Launch the **Settings** app and tap **Device care** → **Storage** →  → **Storage settings** → **SD card** → **Format**.



Before formatting the memory card, remember to make backup copies of all important data stored in the memory card. The manufacturer's warranty does not cover loss of data resulting from user actions.

Turning the device on and off

Press and hold the Power key for a few seconds to turn on the device.

When you turn on your device for the first time or after performing a data reset, follow the on-screen instructions to set up your device.

To turn off the device, press and hold the Power key, and then tap **Power off**.

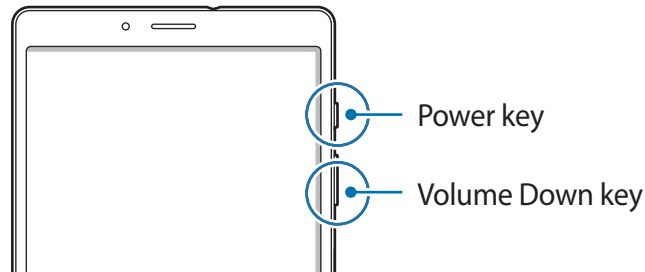


Follow all posted warnings and directions from authorised personnel in areas where the use of wireless devices is restricted, such as aeroplanes and hospitals.

Restarting the device

To restart the device, press and hold the Power key, and then tap **Restart**.

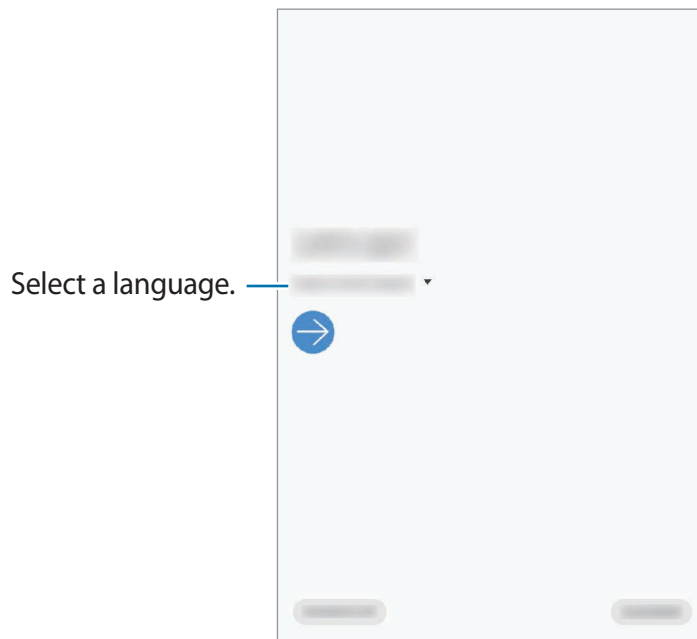
If your device is frozen and unresponsive, press and hold the Power key and the Volume Down key simultaneously for more than 7 seconds to restart it.



Initial setup

When you turn on your device for the first time or after performing a data reset, follow the on-screen instructions to set up your device.

- 1 Turn on the device.
- 2 Select your preferred device language and select ➔.



3 Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the setup.

The Home screen will appear.



If you do not connect to a Wi-Fi network, you may not be able to set up some device features during the initial setup.

Samsung account

Your Samsung account is an integrated account service that allows you to use a variety of Samsung services provided by mobile devices, TVs, and the Samsung website.

To check the list of services that can be used with your Samsung account, visit account.samsung.com. For more information on Samsung accounts, launch the **Settings** app and tap **Accounts and backup** → **Accounts** → **Samsung account** → **⋮** → **Help**.

Creating a Samsung account

If you do not have a Samsung account, you should create one. You can create a Samsung account using your email address.

1 Launch the **Settings** app and tap **Accounts and backup** → **Accounts** → **Add account** → **Samsung account**.

Alternatively, launch the **Settings** app and tap .

2 Tap **Create account**.

3 Follow the on-screen instructions to complete creating your account.

Signing in to your Samsung account

If you already have a Samsung account, sign in to your Samsung account.

1 Launch the **Settings** app and tap **Accounts and backup** → **Accounts** → **Add account** → **Samsung account**.

Alternatively, launch the **Settings** app and tap .


- 2 Enter your Samsung account ID and password and tap **Sign in**.
- 3 Follow the on-screen instructions to complete signing in to your Samsung account.

Finding your ID and resetting your password

If you forget your Samsung account ID or password, tap **Find ID** or **Reset password** on the Samsung account sign-in screen. You can find your ID or reset your password after you enter the required information.

Removing your Samsung account

When you remove your Samsung account from the device, your data, such as contacts or events, will also be removed.

- 1 Launch the **Settings** app and tap **Accounts and backup** → **Accounts**.
- 2 Tap **Samsung account** →  → **Remove account**.
- 3 Tap **Remove**, enter your Samsung account password, and then tap **OK**.

Transferring data from your previous device (Smart Switch)

You can use Smart Switch to transfer data from your previous device to your new device.

Launch the **Settings** app and tap **Accounts and backup** → **Smart Switch**.



- This feature may not be supported on some devices or computers.
- Limitations apply. Visit www.samsung.com/smartswitch for details. Samsung takes copyright seriously. Only transfer content that you own or have the right to transfer.


Transferring data wirelessly

Transfer data from your previous device to your device wirelessly via Wi-Fi Direct.

- 1 On the previous device, launch **Smart Switch**.
If you do not have the app, download it from **Galaxy Store** or **Play Store**.
- 2 On your device, launch the **Settings** app and tap **Accounts and backup** → **Smart Switch**.
- 3 Place the devices near each other.
- 4 On the previous device, tap **Send data** → **Wireless**.
- 5 On the previous device, select an item to transfer and tap **Send**.
- 6 On your device, tap **Receive**.
- 7 Follow the on-screen instructions to transfer data from your previous device.
After the data is done transferring, you can view a list of the transferred data on your device.

Backing up and restoring data using external storage

Transfer data using external storage, such as a microSD card.

- 1 Back up data from your previous device to external storage.
- 2 Insert or connect the external storage device to your device.
- 3 On your device, launch the **Settings** app and tap **Accounts and backup** → **Smart Switch** →  → **Restore**.
- 4 Follow the on-screen instructions to transfer data from external storage.

Understanding the screen

Controlling the touchscreen



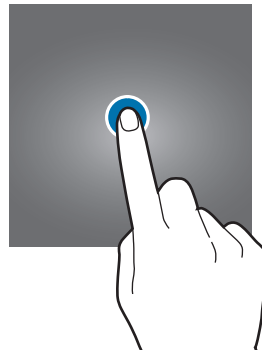
- Do not allow the touchscreen to come into contact with other electrical devices. Electrostatic discharges can cause the touchscreen to malfunction.
- To avoid damaging the touchscreen, do not tap it with anything sharp or apply excessive pressure to it with your fingertips.
- It is recommended not to use fixed graphics on part or all of the touchscreen for extended periods. Doing so may result in afterimages (screen burn-in) or ghosting.



- The device may not recognise touch inputs close to the edges of the screen, which are outside of the touch input area.
- It is recommended to use fingers when you use the touchscreen.

Tapping

Tap the screen.



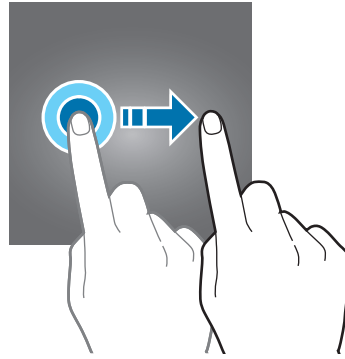
Tapping and holding

Tap and hold the screen for approximately 2 seconds.



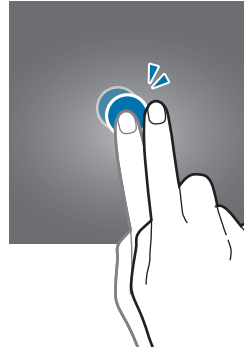
Dragging

Tap and hold an item and drag it to the target position.



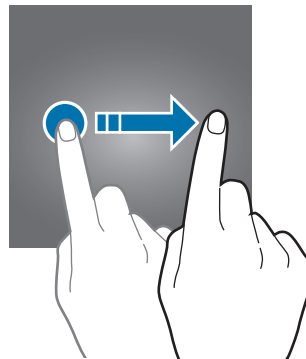
Double-tapping

Double-tap the screen.



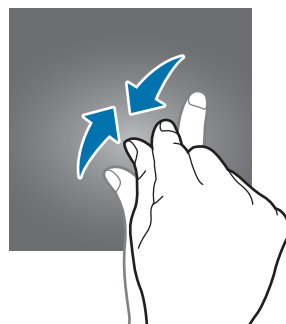
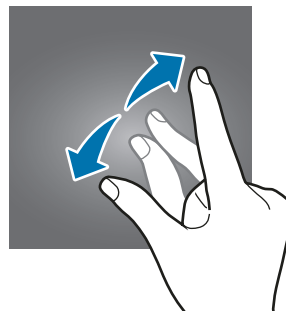
Swiping

Swipe upwards, downwards, to the left, or to the right.



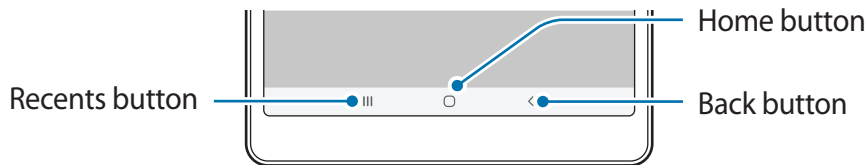
Spreading and pinching

Spread two fingers apart or pinch on the screen.



Navigation bar (soft buttons)

When you turn on the screen, the soft buttons will appear on the navigation bar at the bottom of the screen. The soft buttons are set to the Recents button, Home button, and Back button by default. The functions of the buttons can change according to the app currently being used or usage environment.

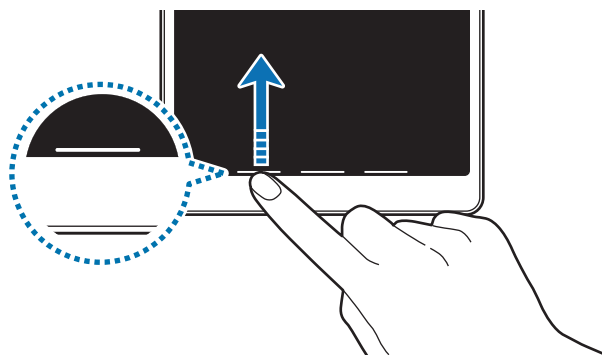


Button	Function
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tap to open the list of recent apps.
○	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tap to return to the Home screen. • Tap and hold to launch the Google Assistant app.
<	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tap to return to the previous screen.

Hiding the navigation bar

View files or use apps on a wider screen by hiding the navigation bar.

Launch the **Settings** app, tap **Display** → **Navigation bar**, and then tap **Full screen gestures** under **Navigation type**. The navigation bar will be hidden and the gesture hints will appear where the soft buttons are located. To use the soft buttons, drag the gesture hint of the desired button upwards.



If you want to hide the gesture hints at the bottom of the screen, tap the **Gesture hints** switch to deactivate it.

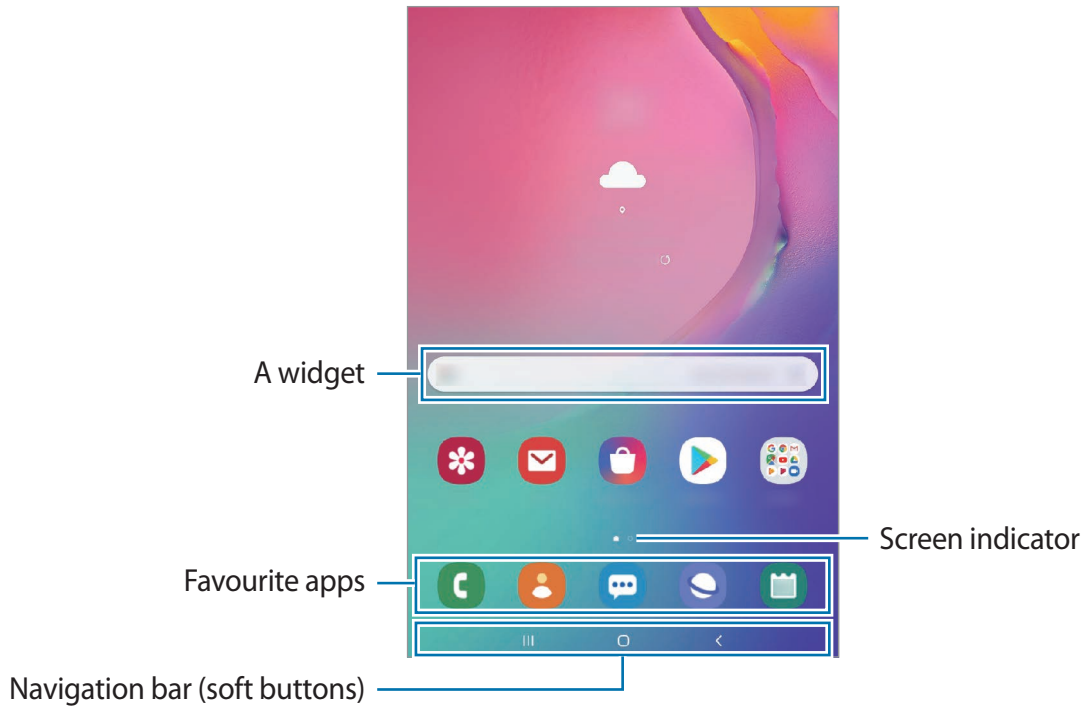
Home screen and Apps screen

The Home screen is the starting point for accessing all of the device's features. It displays widgets, shortcuts to apps, and more.

The Apps screen displays icons for all apps, including newly installed apps.



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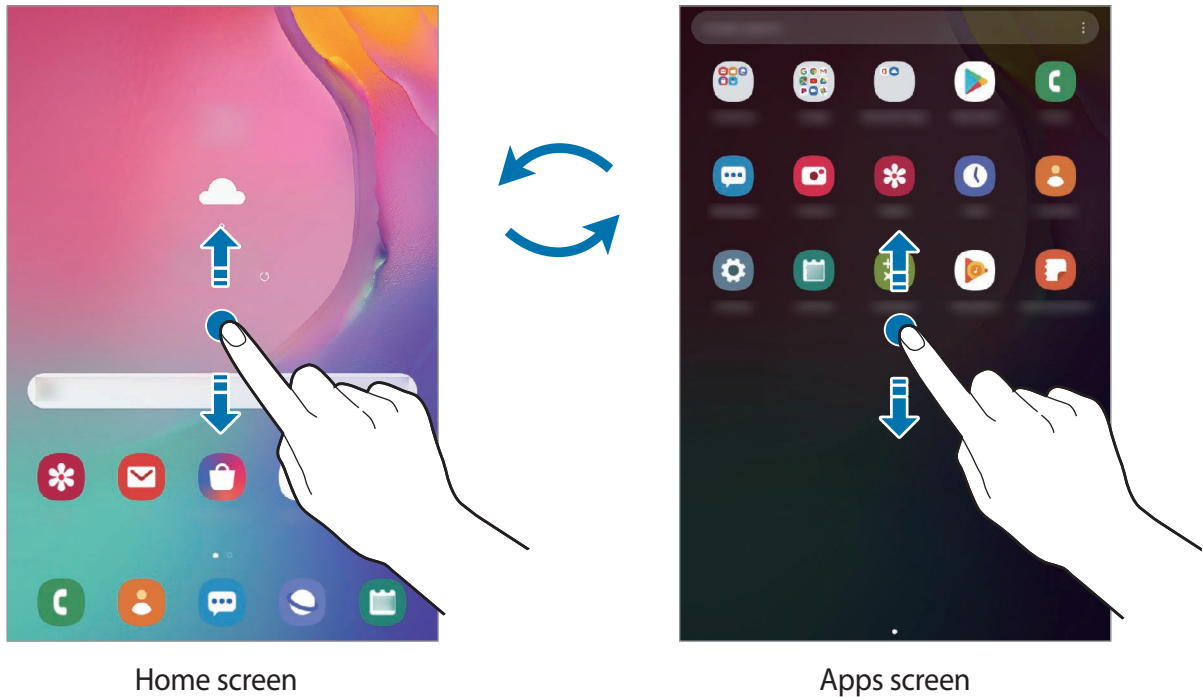


Switching between Home and Apps screens

On the Home screen, swipe upwards or downwards to open the Apps screen.

To return to the Home screen, swipe upwards or downwards on the Apps screen.

Alternatively, tap the Home button or the Back button.

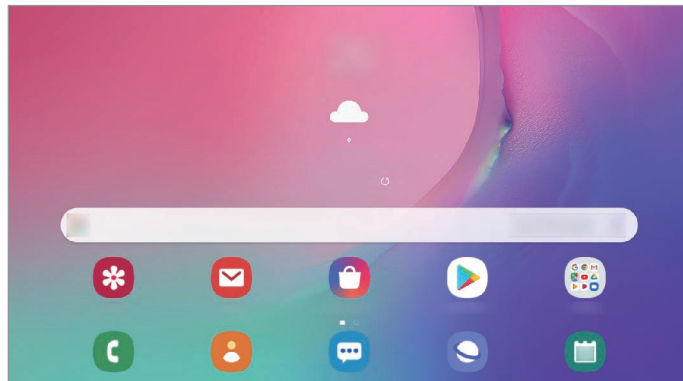


If you add the Apps button on the Home screen, you can open the Apps screen by tapping the button. On the Home screen, tap and hold an empty area, tap **Home screen settings**, and then tap the **Apps button** switch to activate it. The Apps button will be added at the bottom of the Home screen.



Display the screen in landscape mode

Rotate the device until it is horizontal to view the screen in landscape mode.



Moving items

Tap and hold an item, and then drag it to a new location. To move the item to another panel, drag it to the side of the screen.

To add a shortcut to an app on the Home screen, tap and hold an item on the Apps screen, and then tap **Add to Home**. A shortcut to the app will be added on the Home screen.

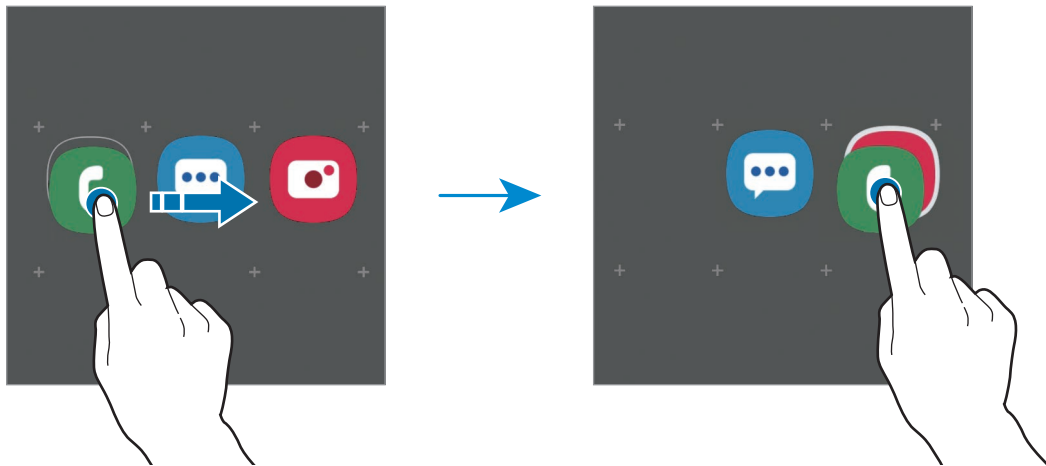
You can also move frequently used apps to the shortcuts area at the bottom of the Home screen.

Creating folders

Create folders and gather similar apps to quickly access and launch apps.

On the Home screen or the Apps screen, tap and hold an app, and then drag it over another app.

A new folder containing the selected apps will be created. Tap **Enter folder name** and enter a folder name.



- **Adding more apps**

Tap **Add apps** on the folder. Tick the apps to add and tap **Add**. You can also add an app by dragging it to the folder.

- **Moving apps from a folder**

Tap and hold an app to drag it to a new location.

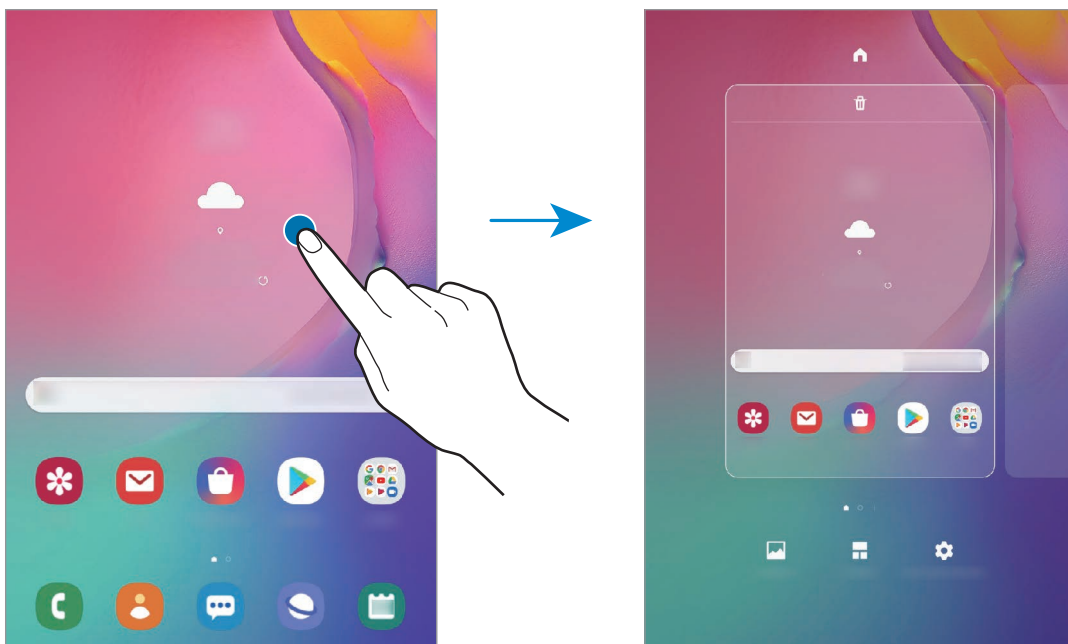
- **Deleting a folder**

Tap and hold a folder, and then tap **Delete folder**. Only the folder will be deleted. The folder's apps will be relocated to the Apps screen.

Editing the Home screen

On the Home screen, tap and hold an empty area, or pinch your fingers together to access the editing options. You can set the wallpaper, add widgets, and more. You can also add, delete, or rearrange Home screen panels.

- Adding panels: Swipe to the left, and then tap \oplus .
- Moving panels: Tap and hold a panel preview, and then drag it to a new location.
- Deleting panels: Tap 🗑 on the panel.



- **Wallpapers:** Change the wallpaper settings for the Home screen and the locked screen.
- **Widgets:** Widgets are small apps that launch specific app functions to provide information and convenient access on your Home screen. Tap and hold a widget, and then drag it to the Home screen. The widget will be added on the Home screen.
- **Home screen settings:** Configure settings for the Home screen, such as the screen grid or layout.

Displaying all apps on the Home screen

Without using a separate Apps screen, you can set the device to display all apps on the Home screen. On the Home screen, tap and hold an empty area, and then tap **Home screen settings** → **Home screen layout** → **Home screen only** → **Apply**.

You can now access all your apps by swiping to the left on the Home screen.

Indicator icons

Indicator icons appear on the status bar at the top of the screen. The icons listed in the table below are most common.



- The status bar may not appear at the top of the screen in some apps. To display the status bar, drag down from the top of the screen.
- Some indicator icons appear only when you open the notification panel.

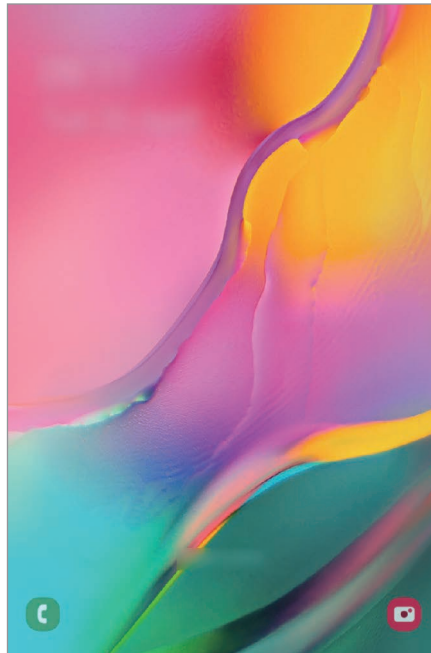
Icon	Meaning
	No signal (SM-T295, SM-T297)
	Signal strength (SM-T295, SM-T297)
	Roaming (outside of normal service area) (SM-T295, SM-T297)
	GPRS network connected (SM-T295, SM-T297)
	EDGE network connected (SM-T295, SM-T297)
	UMTS network connected (SM-T295, SM-T297)
	HSDPA network connected (SM-T295, SM-T297)
	HSPA+ network connected (SM-T295, SM-T297)
	LTE network connected (LTE-enabled models) (SM-T295, SM-T297)
	Wi-Fi connected
	Bluetooth feature activated
	Location services being used
	Call in progress (SM-T295)
	Missed call (SM-T295)
	New text or multimedia message (SM-T295, SM-T297)
	Alarm activated
	Mute mode activated
	Vibration mode activated
	Flight mode activated
	Error occurred or caution required
	Battery charging
	Battery power level

Lock screen

Pressing the Power key turns off the screen and locks it. Also, the screen turns off and automatically locks if the device is not used for a specified period.

To unlock the screen, swipe in any direction when the screen turns on.

If the screen is off, press the Power key to turn on the screen. Alternatively, double-tap the screen.



Locked screen

Changing the screen lock method

To change the screen lock method, launch the **Settings** app, tap **Lock screen** → **Screen lock type**, and then select a method.

When you set a pattern, PIN, or password for the screen lock method, you can protect your personal information by preventing others from accessing your device. After setting the screen lock method, the device will require an unlock code whenever unlocking it.

- **Swipe:** Swipe in any direction on the screen to unlock it.
- **Pattern:** Draw a pattern with four or more dots to unlock the screen.
- **PIN:** Enter a PIN with at least four numbers to unlock the screen.

- **Password:** Enter a password with at least four characters, numbers, or symbols to unlock the screen.
- **None:** Do not set a screen lock method.



You can set your device to perform a factory data reset if you enter the unlock code incorrectly several times in a row and reach the attempt limit. Launch the **Settings** app, tap **Lock screen** → **Secure lock settings**, unlock the screen using the preset screen lock method, and then tap the **Auto factory reset** switch to activate it.

Screen capture

Capture a screenshot while using the device.

Press and hold the Volume Down key and the Power key simultaneously. Captured screenshots will be saved in **Gallery**.

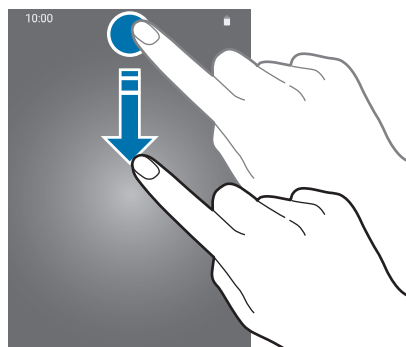


It is not possible to capture a screenshot while using some apps and features.

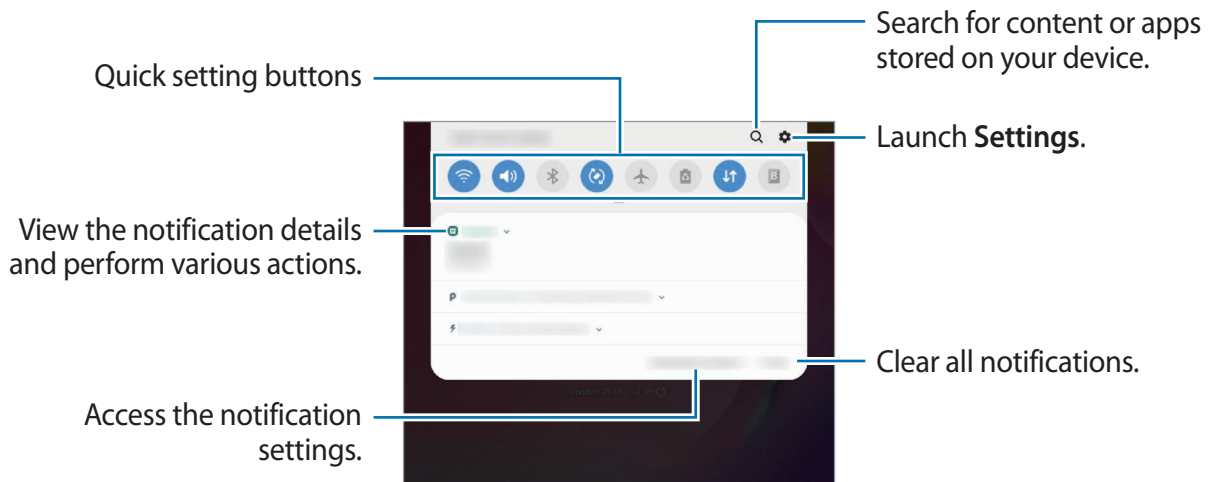
Notification panel

When you receive new notifications, indicator icons appear on the status bar. To see more information about the icons, open the notification panel and view the details.

To open the notification panel, drag the status bar downwards. To close the notification panel, swipe upwards on the screen.

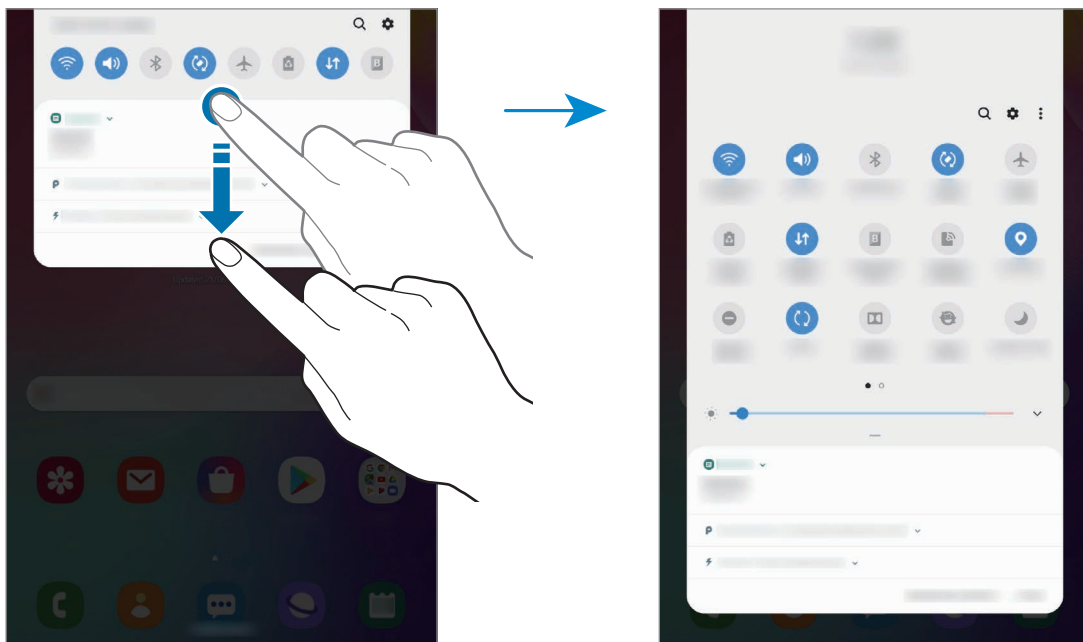


You can use the following functions on the notification panel.



Using quick setting buttons

Tap quick setting buttons to activate certain features. Swipe downwards on the notification panel to view more buttons.



To change feature settings, tap the text under each button. To view more detailed settings, tap and hold a button.

To rearrange buttons, tap  → **Button order**, tap and hold a button, and then drag it to another location.

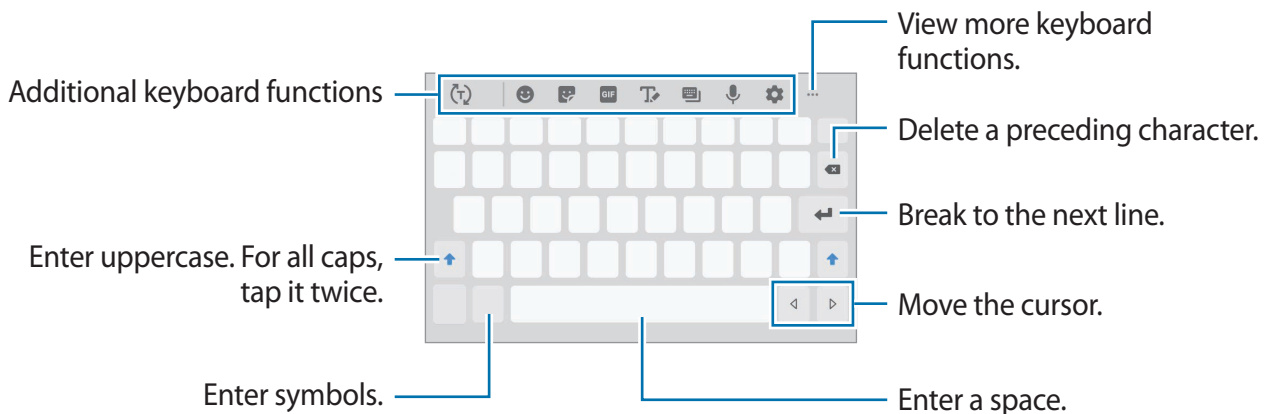
Entering text

Keyboard layout

A keyboard appears automatically when you enter text to send emails, create notes, and more.



Text entry is not supported in some languages. To enter text, you must change the input language to one of the supported languages.



Changing the input language

Tap → **Languages and types** → **Manage input languages** and select the languages to use. When you select two or more languages, you can switch between the input languages by swiping to the left or right on the space key.

Changing the keyboard


To change the keyboard type, tap → **Languages and types**, select a language, and then select the keyboard type you want.

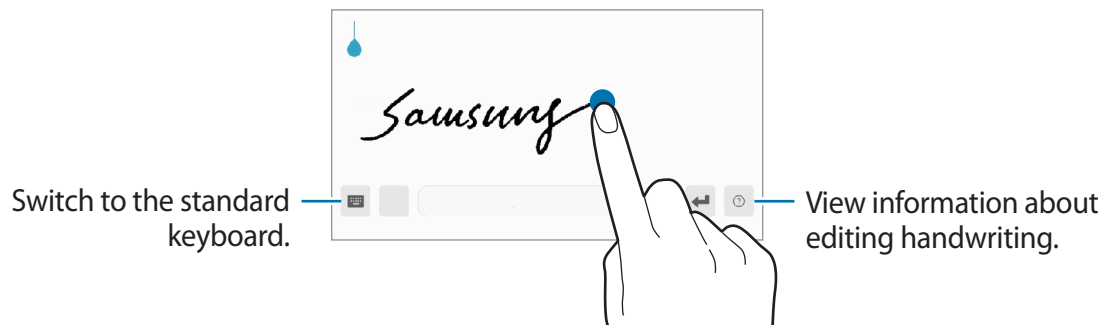
Additional keyboard functions






- : Predict words based on your input and show word suggestions. To return to the keyboard functions list, tap .
- : Enter emoticons.
- : Enter stickers.
- : Attach animated GIFs.





This feature may not be available depending on the region or service provider.

-  : Switch to handwriting mode.






-  : Change the keyboard mode or size.
-  : Enter text by voice.
-  : Change the keyboard settings.
-  →  : Open the text editing panel.

Copying and pasting

- 1 Tap and hold over text.
- 2 Drag  or  to select the desired text, or tap **Select all** to select all text.
- 3 Tap **Copy** or **Cut**.
- 4 Tap and hold where the text is to be inserted and tap **Paste**.

Dictionary

Look up definitions for words while using certain features, such as when browsing webpages.

- 1 Tap and hold over a word that you want to look up.
- 2 Tap **Dictionary** on the options list.
If a dictionary is not preinstalled on the device, tap **Move to Manage dictionaries**, tap  next to a dictionary, and then tap **INSTALL** to download it.
- 3 View the definition in the dictionary pop-up window.
To switch to the full screen view, tap . Tap the definition on the screen to view more definitions. In the detailed view, tap  to add the word to your favourite words list or tap **Search Web** to use the word as a search term.

Apps and features

Installing or uninstalling apps

Galaxy Store

Purchase and download apps. You can download apps that are specialised for Samsung Galaxy devices.

Launch the **Galaxy Store** app.



This app may not be available depending on the region or service provider.

Installing apps

Browse apps by category or tap **Q** to search for a keyword.

Select an app to view information about it. To download free apps, tap **INSTALL**. To purchase and download apps where charges apply, tap the price and follow the on-screen instructions.



To change the auto update settings, tap **⋮** → **Settings** → **Auto update apps**, and then select an option.

Play Store

Purchase and download apps.

Launch the **Play Store** app.

Installing apps

Browse apps by category or search for apps by keyword.

Select an app to view information about it. To download free apps, tap **INSTALL**. To purchase and download apps where charges apply, tap the price and follow the on-screen instructions.



To change the auto update settings, tap **≡** → **Settings** → **Auto-update apps**, and then select an option.

Managing apps

Uninstalling or disabling apps

Tap and hold an app and select an option.

- **Uninstall:** Uninstall downloaded apps.
- **Disable:** Disable selected default apps that cannot be uninstalled from the device.

Enabling apps

Launch the **Settings** app, tap **Apps** → ▼ → **Disabled**, select an app, and then tap **Enable**.

Setting app permissions

For some apps to operate properly, they may need permission to access or use information on your device. When you open an app, a pop-up window may appear and request access to certain features or information. Tap **Allow** on the pop-up window to grant permissions to the app.

To view your app permission settings, launch the **Settings** app and tap **Apps**. Select an app and tap **Permissions**. You can view the app's permissions list and change its permissions.

To view or change app permission settings by permission category, launch the **Settings** app and tap **Apps** → ⋮ → **App permissions**. Select an item and tap the switches next to apps to grant permissions.





If you do not grant permissions to apps, the basic features of the apps may not function properly.

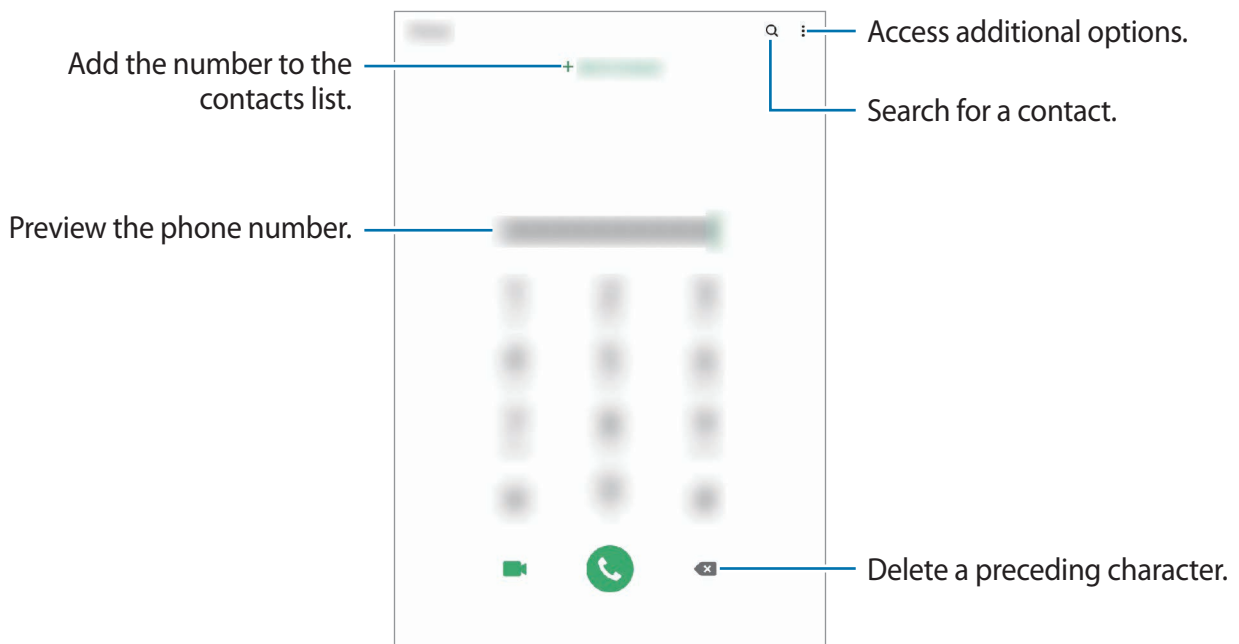
Phone (SM-T295)

Introduction

Make or answer voice and video calls.

Making calls

- 1 Launch the **Phone** app and tap **Keypad**.
- 2 Enter a phone number.
- 3 Tap  to make a voice call, or tap  to make a video call.




Making calls from call logs or contacts list

Launch the **Phone** app, tap **Recents** or **Contacts**, and then swipe to the right on a contact or a phone number to make a call.

If this feature is deactivated, launch the **Settings** app, tap **Advanced features** → **Motions and gestures**, and then tap the **Swipe to call or send messages** switch to activate it.

Using speed dial


Set speed dial numbers to quickly make calls.

To set a number to speed dial, launch the **Phone** app, tap **Keypad** or **Contacts** →  → **Speed dial numbers**, select a speed dial number, and then add a phone number.

To make a call, tap and hold a speed dial number on the keypad. For speed dial numbers 10 and up, tap the first digit(s) of the number, and then tap and hold the last digit.

For example, if you set the number **123** as a speed dial number, tap **1**, tap **2**, and then tap and hold **3**.

Making calls from the locked screen


On the locked screen, drag  outside the circle.

Making calls by searching for nearby places

You can easily make calls to places near your current location by searching for their information. You can search for nearby places by category, such as restaurants or stores, or by selecting recommended hot places.

Launch the **Phone** app, tap **Places**, and then select a category or tap **Q** and enter a business name in the search field. Or, select one from the recommended hot places. The business's information, such as its phone number or address, will appear.

Making an international call

- 1 Launch the **Phone** app and tap **Keypad**.
- 2 Tap and hold **0** until the + sign appears.
- 3 Enter the country code, area code, and phone number, and then tap .

Receiving calls



Answering a call

When a call comes in, drag  outside the large circle.


Rejecting a call

When a call comes in, drag  outside the large circle.

To send a message when rejecting an incoming call, drag the **Send message** bar upwards and select a message to send.



To create various rejection messages, launch the **Phone** app, tap  → **Settings** → **Quick decline messages**, enter a message, and then tap .

Missed calls

If a call is missed, the  icon appears on the status bar. Open the notification panel to view the list of missed calls. Alternatively, launch the **Phone** app and tap **Recents** to view missed calls.

Blocking phone numbers

Block calls from specific numbers added to your block list.

- 1 Launch the **Phone** app and tap  → **Settings** → **Block numbers**.
- 2 Tap **Recents** or **Contacts**, select contacts or phone numbers, and then tap **Done**.
To manually enter a number, tap **Add phone number**, enter a phone number, and then tap .

When blocked numbers try to contact you, you will not receive notifications. The calls will be logged in the call log.





You can also block incoming calls from people that do not show their caller ID. Tap the **Block unknown callers** switch to activate the feature.

Options during calls



During a voice call

The following actions are available:

- : Access additional options.
- **Record**: Record a call conversation.
- **Hold call**: Hold a call. Tap **Resume call** to retrieve the held call.
- **Bluetooth**: Switch to a Bluetooth headset if it is connected to the device.
- **Speaker**: Activate or deactivate the speakerphone. When using the speakerphone, keep the device away from your ears.
- **Mute**: Turn off the microphone so that the other party cannot hear you.
- **Keypad / Hide**: Open or close the keypad.
- : End the current call.

During a video call

Tap the screen to use the following options:

- : Access additional options.
- **Camera**: Turn off the camera so that the other party cannot see you.
- **Switch**: Switch between the front and rear cameras.
- : End the current call.
- **Mute**: Turn off the microphone so that the other party cannot hear you.
- **Speaker**: Activate or deactivate the speakerphone. When using the speakerphone, keep the device away from your ears.

Adding a phone number to Contacts

Adding a phone number to Contacts from the keypad

- 1 Launch the **Phone** app and tap **Keypad**.
- 2 Enter the number.
- 3 Tap **Add to Contacts**.
- 4 Tap **Create contact** to create a new contact, or tap **Update existing** to add the number to an existing contact.

Adding a phone number to Contacts from the calls list

- 1 Launch the **Phone** app and tap **Recents**.
- 2 Tap a phone number and tap **Add**.
- 3 Tap **Create contact** to create a new contact, or tap **Update existing** to add the number to an existing contact.

Adding a tag to a phone number

You can add tags to numbers without saving them to Contacts. This allows you to view the caller's information when they call without having them listed in Contacts.

- 1 Launch the **Phone** app and tap **Recents**.
- 2 Tap a phone number.
- 3 Tap **Add tag**, enter a tag, and then tap **Add**.

When a call comes from that number, the tag will show under the number.


Contacts

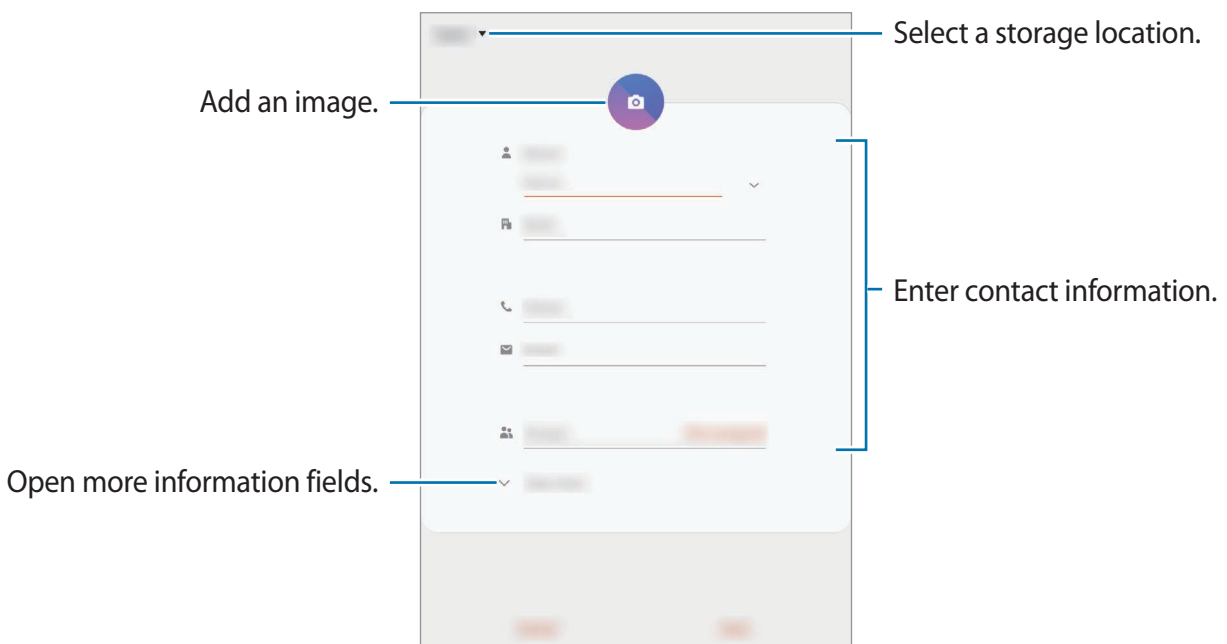
Introduction

Create new contacts or manage contacts on the device.

Adding contacts

Creating a new contact

- 1 Launch the **Contacts** app and tap .
- 2 Select a storage location and tap **Select**.
- 3 Enter contact information.




Depending on the selected storage location, the types of information you can save may vary.

- 4 Tap **Save**.


Importing contacts

Add contacts by importing them from other storages to your device.

- 1 Launch the **Contacts** app and tap  → **Manage contacts** → **Import/export contacts** → **Import**.
- 2 Select a storage location to import contacts from.
- 3 Tick VCF files or contacts to import and tap **Done**.
- 4 Select a storage location to save contacts to and tap **Import**.

Syncing contacts with your web accounts

Sync your device contacts with online contacts saved in your web accounts, such as your Samsung account.

- 1 Launch the **Settings** app, tap **Accounts and backup** → **Accounts**, and then select the account to sync with.
- 2 Tap **Sync account** and tap the **Contacts** switch to activate it.
For the Samsung account, tap  → **Sync settings** and tap the **Contacts** switch to activate it.

Searching for contacts

Launch the **Contacts** app.

Use one of the following search methods:


- Scroll up or down the contacts list.
- Drag a finger along the index at the right side of the contacts list to scroll through it quickly.
- Tap **Q** at the top of the contacts list and enter search criteria.

Tap the contact. Then take one of the following actions:

- ☆ : Add to favourite contacts.
- 📞 / 📺 : Make a voice or video call. (SM-T295)
- 💬 : Compose a message. (SM-T295, SM-T297)
- ✉️ : Compose an email.

Sharing contacts

You can share contacts with others by using various sharing options.

- 1 Launch the **Contacts** app, tap  at the top of the contacts list, and then tap **Share**.
- 2 Select contacts and tap **Share**.
- 3 Select a sharing method.

Saving and sharing profile (SM-T295)

Save and share your profile information, such as your photo and status message, with others using the profile sharing feature.




- To use this feature, you must sign in to your Samsung account.
- The profile sharing feature may not be available depending on the region or service provider.
- The profile sharing feature is only available for contacts who have activated the profile sharing feature on their device.

- 1 Launch the **Contacts** app and select your profile.
- 2 Tap **Tap here to share your profile** and tap the switch to activate it.
 - To use the profile sharing feature, your phone number must be verified. You can view your contacts' updated profile information in **Contacts**.
 - To change the scope of contacts to share your profile with, tap **Select what's shared**, select an item to share, and then select an option.



Creating groups

You can add groups, such as family or friends, and manage contacts by group.

- 1 Launch the **Contacts** app and tap  → **Groups** → **Create group**.
- 2 Enter a group name.
To set a group ringtone, tap **Group ringtone** and select a ringtone. (SM-T295)
- 3 Tap **Add member**, select contacts to add to the group, and then tap **Done**.
- 4 Tap **Save**.


Sending a group message (SM-T295, SM-T297)

You can send a group message to a group's members at the same time.


Launch the **Contacts** app, tap  → **Groups**, and then select a group. Tap  at the top of the contacts list and tap **Send message**.

Merging duplicate contacts

When you import contacts from other storages, or sync contacts with other accounts, your contacts list may include duplicate contacts. Merge duplicate contacts into one to streamline your contacts list.

- 1 Launch the **Contacts** app and tap  → **Manage contacts** → **Merge contacts**.
- 2 Tick contacts and tap **Merge**.

Deleting contacts

- 1 Launch the **Contacts** app, tap  at the top of the contacts list, and then tap **Delete**.
- 2 Select contacts and tap **Delete**.

To delete contacts one by one, tap a contact. Then tap  → **Delete**.

Messages (SM-T295, SM-T297)

Introduction

Send and view messages by conversation.


Sending messages

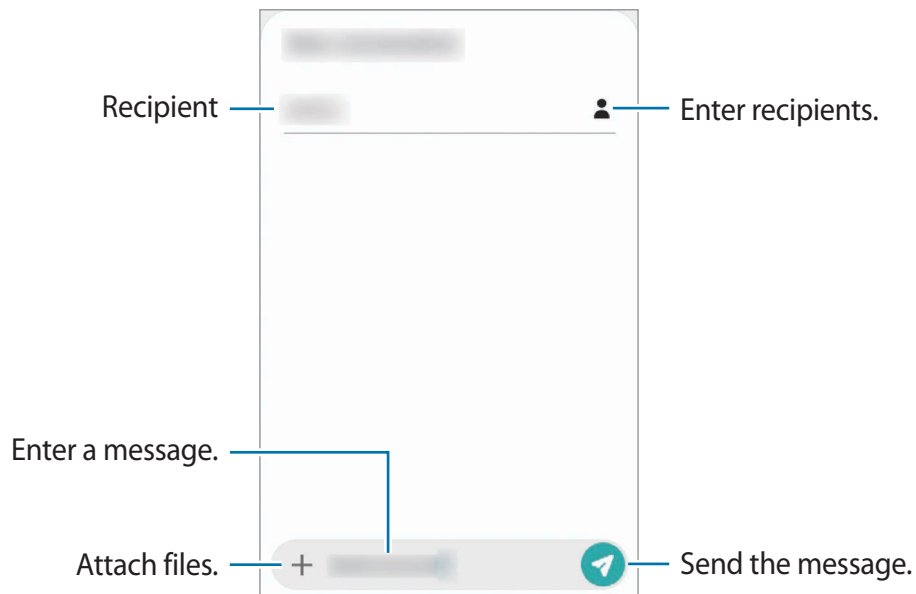


You may incur additional charges for sending messages when you are roaming.

1 Launch the **Messages** app and tap .

2 Add recipients and enter a message.

To record and send a voice message, tap and hold , say your message, and then release your finger. The recording icon appears only while the keyboard is hidden.




3 Tap  to send the message.

Viewing messages

Messages are grouped into message threads by contact.





You may incur additional charges for receiving messages when you are roaming.

- 1 Launch the **Messages** app.
- 2 On the messages list, select a contact or a phone number.
 - To reply to the message, tap **Enter message**, enter a message, and then tap .
 - To adjust the font size, spread two fingers apart or pinch on the screen.

Blocking unwanted messages


Block messages from specific numbers added to your block list.

- 1 Launch the **Messages** app, tap  at the top of the messages list, and then tap **Settings** → **Block numbers and messages** → **Block numbers**.
- 2 Tap **Inbox** and select a contact or a phone number. Or, tap **Contacts**, select contacts, and then tap **Done**.

To manually enter a number, enter a phone number under **Enter number** and tap .

Setting the message notification

You can change notification sound, display options, and more.

- 1 Launch the **Messages** app, tap  at the top of the messages list, tap **Settings** → **Notifications**, and then tap the switch to activate it.
- 2 Change the notification settings.

Setting a message reminder

You can set an alert at an interval to let you know that you have unchecked notifications. If this feature is not activated, launch the **Settings** app, tap **Accessibility** → **Advanced settings** → **Notification reminders**, and then tap the switch to activate it.

Deleting messages

- 1 Launch the **Messages** app.
- 2 On the messages list, select a contact or a phone number.
- 3 Tap and hold a message, then tap **Delete**.
To delete multiple messages, tick messages you want to delete.
- 4 Tap **Delete**.

Internet

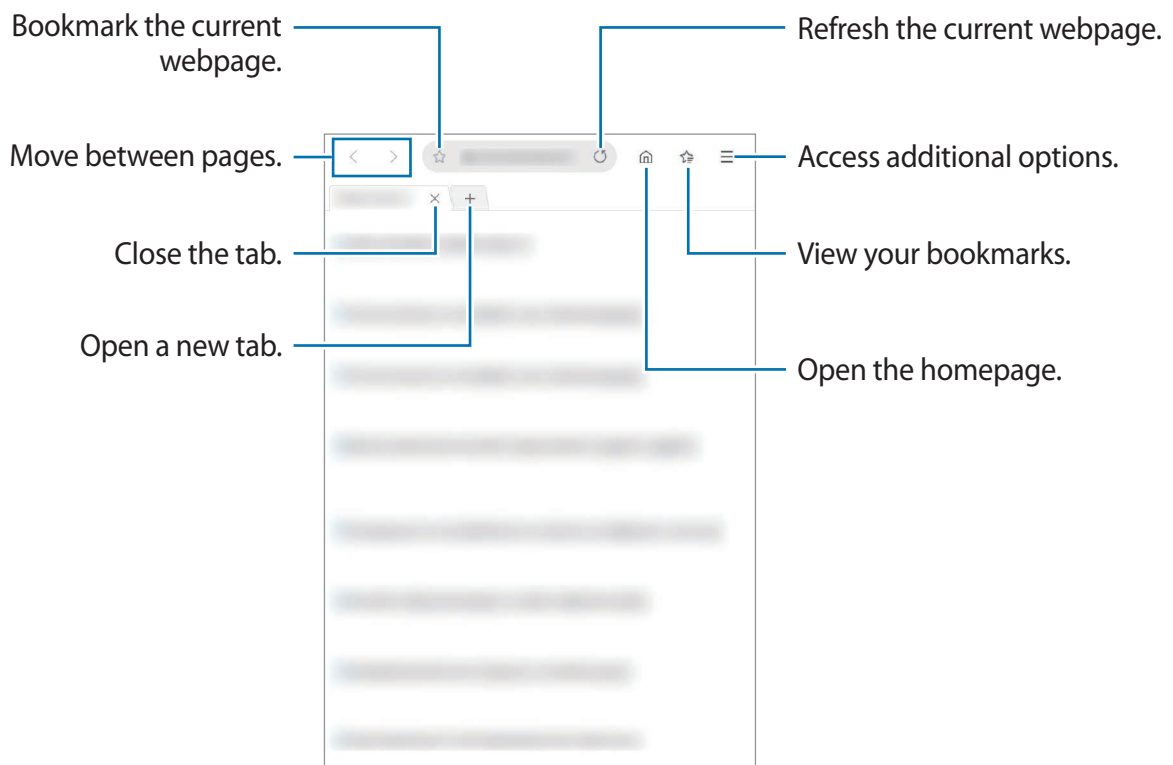
Introduction

Browse the Internet to search for information and bookmark your favourite webpages to access them conveniently.

Browsing webpages

- 1 Launch the **Internet** app.
- 2 Tap the address field.
- 3 Enter the web address or a keyword, and then tap **Go**.


To view the toolbars, drag your finger downwards slightly on the screen.



Using secret mode

In secret mode, you can separately manage open tabs, bookmarks, and saved pages. You can lock secret mode using a password.

Activating secret mode

Tap  → **Turn on Secret mode**. If you are using this feature for the first time, set whether to use a password for secret mode.


In secret mode, the device will change the colour of the toolbars.



In secret mode, you cannot use some features, such as screen capture.

Changing security settings

You can change your password.

Tap  → **Settings** → **Privacy and security** → **Secret mode settings** → **Change password**.

Deactivating secret mode



Tap  → Turn off Secret mode.




Email

Setting up email accounts



Set up an email account when opening **Email** for the first time.

- 1 Launch the **Email** app.
- 2 On the list, select an email service or tap **Other**.
- 3 Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the setup.

To set up another email account, tap  →  → **Add account**.

If you have more than one email account, you can set one as the default account. Tap  →  →  → **Set default account**.

Sending emails



- 1 Tap  to compose an email.
- 2 Add recipients and enter a subject line and text.
- 3 Tap  to send the email.

Reading emails

When **Email** is open, the device will automatically retrieve new emails. To manually retrieve emails, swipe downwards on the top of the emails list.

Tap an email on the screen to read it.



If email syncing is disabled, new emails cannot be retrieved. To enable email syncing, tap  →  → your account name, and then tap the **Sync account** switch to activate it.

Camera

Introduction


Take photos and record videos using various modes and settings.

Camera etiquette

- Do not take photos or record videos of other people without their permission.
- Do not take photos or record videos where legally prohibited.
- Do not take photos or record videos in places where you may violate other people's privacy.

Launching Camera


Use the following methods to launch Camera:

- Launch the **Camera** app.
- On the locked screen, drag  outside the circle.

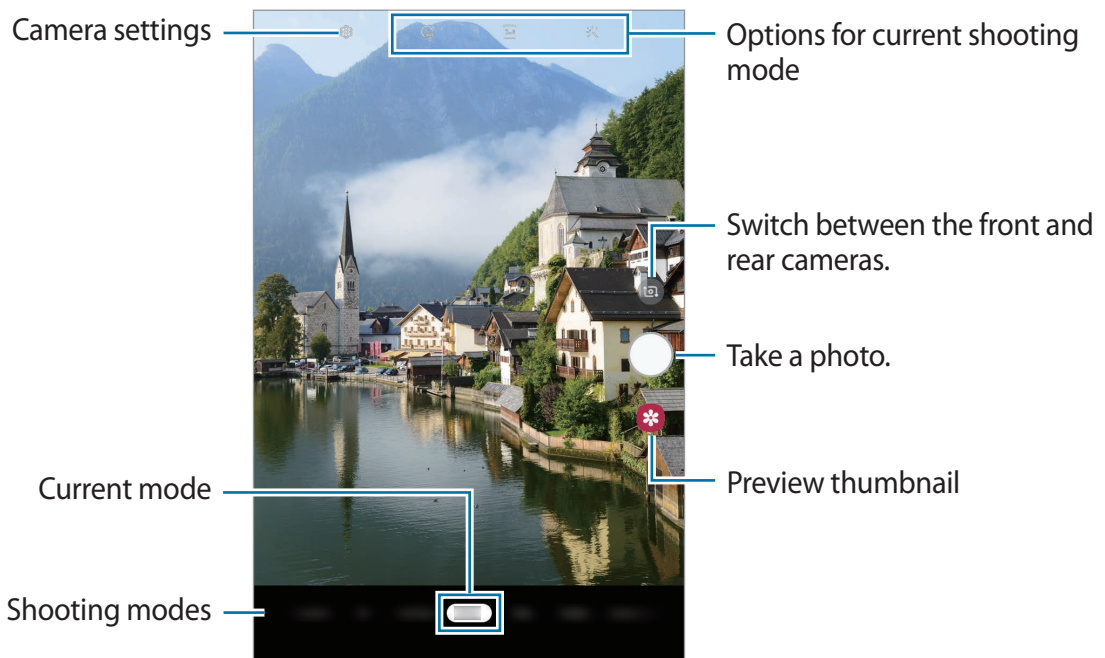


- Some methods may not be available depending on the region or service provider.
- Some camera features are not available when you launch the **Camera** app from the locked screen while the screen lock method is set.
- If photos you take appear blurry, clean the camera lens and try again.

Taking photos

- 1 Tap the image on the preview screen where the camera should focus.
 - Spread two fingers apart on the screen to zoom in, and pinch to zoom out.
 - To adjust the brightness of photos, tap the screen. When the adjustment bar appears, drag  on the adjustment bar towards **+** or **-**.

2 Tap to take a photo.



- The preview screen may vary depending on the shooting mode and which camera is being used.
- The camera automatically shuts off when unused.
- Make sure that the lens is not damaged or contaminated. Otherwise, the device may not work properly in some modes that require high resolutions.
- Your device's camera features a wide-angle lens. Minor distortion may occur in wide-angle photos or videos and does not indicate device performance problems.

Locking the focus (AF) and exposure (AE)

You can lock the focus or exposure on a selected area to prevent the camera from automatically adjusting based on changes to the subjects or light sources.

Tap and hold the area to focus, the AF/AE frame will appear on the area and the focus and exposure setting will be locked. The setting remains locked even after you take a photo.



This feature is available only in **Photo** or **Pro** modes.



Photo mode

The camera adjusts the shooting options automatically depending on the surroundings to capture photos easily.

On the shooting modes list, tap **Photo** and tap  to take a photo.


Taking selfies

You can take self-portraits with the front camera.

- 1 On the shooting modes list, tap **Photo**.
- 2 On the preview screen, swipe upwards or downwards, or tap  to switch to the front camera for self-portraits.
- 3 Face the front camera lens.
- 4 Tap  to take a photo.




Applying filter and beauty effects

You can select a filter effect and modify facial features, such as your skin tone or face shape, before taking a photo.


- 1 On the preview screen, tap .
- 2 Select a filter effect or beauty effects and take a photo.

Video mode

The camera adjusts the shooting options automatically depending on the surroundings to record videos easily.

- 1 On the shooting modes list, tap **Video**.
- 2 Tap  to record a video.
To capture an image from the video while recording, tap .
- 3 Tap  to stop recording the video.

Changing the screen ratio for a video

On the preview screen, tap  and select a screen ratio.


Live focus mode

Take photos that focus on the face by blurring the background.



- Use this feature in a place that has sufficient light.
- The background blur may not be applied properly in the following conditions:
 - The device or the subject is moving.
 - The subject has a similar colour to the background.

1 On the shooting modes list, tap **Live focus**.

2 Tap  to take a photo.

To adjust the intensity of the blur effect, drag the background blur adjustment bar to the left or right to adjust the blur level.

Background blur adjustment
bar



Using shooting modes


To change the shooting mode, drag the shooting modes list to the left or right, or swipe to the left or right on the preview screen.

Select a shooting mode you want.






Pro mode

Capture photos while manually adjusting various shooting options, such as exposure value and ISO value.

On the shooting modes list, tap **Pro**. Select options and customise the settings, and then tap  to take a photo.

Available options

-  : Select an ISO value. This controls camera light sensitivity. Low values are for stationary or brightly lit objects. Higher values are for fast-moving or poorly lit objects. However, higher ISO settings can result in noise in photos.
-  : Select an appropriate white balance, so images have a true-to-life colour range. You can set the colour temperature.
-  : Change the exposure value. This determines how much light the camera's sensor receives. For low-light situations, use a higher exposure.

HDR mode

Take photos with rich colours and reproduce details even in bright and dark areas.

On the shooting modes list, tap **HDR**.

Panorama mode

Using panorama mode, take a series of photos and then stitch them together to create a wide scene.



To get the best shots using panorama mode, follow these tips:

- Move the camera slowly in one direction.
- Keep the image within the frame on the camera's viewfinder. If the preview image is out of the guide frame or you do not move the device, the device will automatically stop taking photos.
- Avoid taking photos of indistinct backgrounds, such as an empty sky or a plain wall.

1 On the shooting modes list, tap **Panorama**.

2 Tap  and move the device slowly in one direction.

3 Tap  to stop taking photos.

Stickers mode

Apply stickers to your photos.

On the shooting modes list, tap **Stickers**.

Continuous shot mode

Take a series of photos of moving subjects.

On the shooting modes list, tap **Continuous shot**.

Tap and hold  to take several photos continuously.

Customising camera settings

Options for current shooting mode

On the preview screen, use the following options.



The available options may vary depending on the shooting mode.

- : Select the length of the delay before the camera automatically takes a photo.
- : Select an aspect ratio for photos.
- : Apply a filter effect or beauty effects.
- : Select an aspect ratio for videos.
- : Select a metering method. This determines how light values are calculated. **Centre-weighted** uses the light in the centre portion of the shot to calculate the exposure of the shot. **Spot** uses the light in a concentrated centre area of the shot to calculate the exposure of the shot. **Matrix** averages the entire scene.

Camera settings

On the preview screen, tap . Some options may not be available depending on the shooting mode.


Pictures

- **Pictures as previewed:** Set the device to save photos as they appear on the preview screen when taken with the front camera without flipping them.

Videos

- **Rear video size:** Select a resolution for videos you want to take with the rear camera. Using a higher resolution will result in higher quality videos, but they will take up more memory.
- **Front video size:** Select a resolution for videos you want to take with the front camera. Using a higher resolution will result in higher quality videos, but they will take up more memory.

Useful features

- **Grid lines:** Display viewfinder guides to help composition when selecting subjects.
- **Location tags:** Attach a GPS location tag to the photo.
 -  GPS signal strength may decrease in locations where the signal is obstructed, such as between buildings or in low-lying areas, or in poor weather conditions.
 - Your location may appear on your photos when you upload them to the Internet. To avoid this, deactivate the location tag setting.
- **Camera modes:** View available shooting modes or edit the shooting modes list.
- **Storage location:** Select the memory location for storage. This feature will appear when you insert a memory card.
- **Shooting methods:** Select additional shooting methods for taking a photo or recording a video.
- **Reset settings:** Reset the camera settings.
- **Contact us:** Ask questions or view frequently asked questions.
- **About Camera:** View the Camera app version and legal information.

Gallery

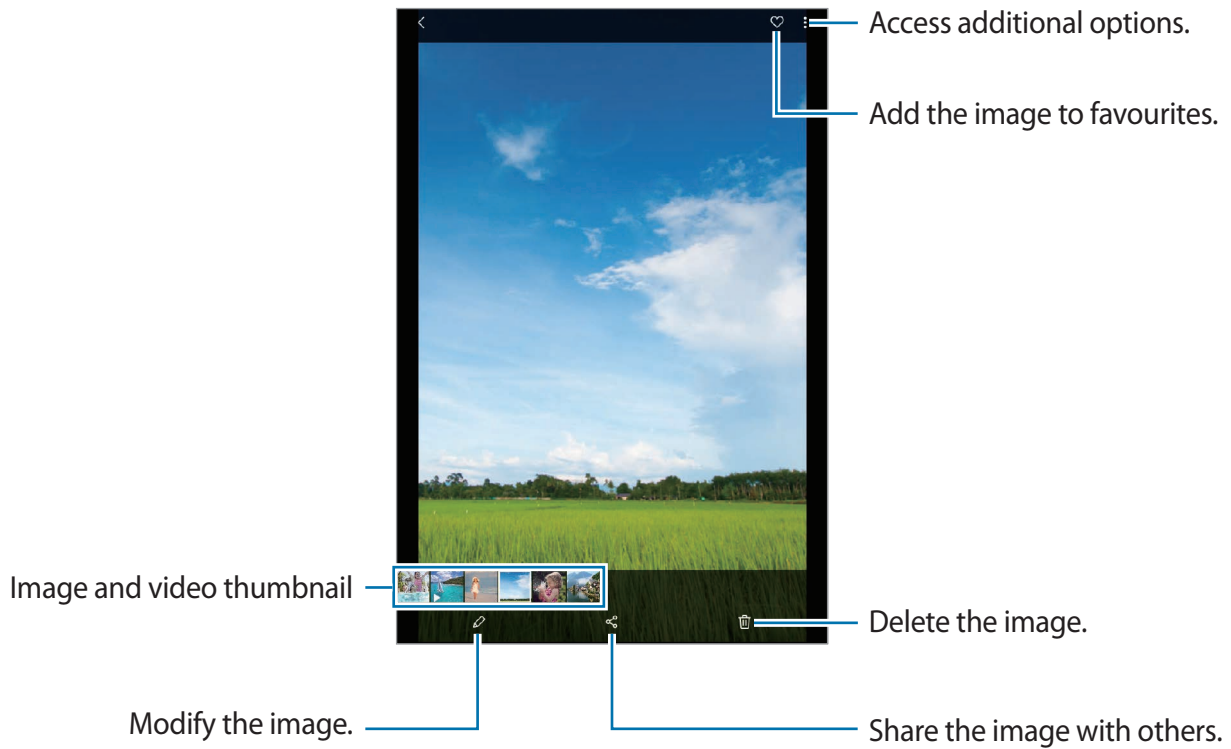
Introduction

View images and videos stored in your device. You can also manage images and videos by album or create stories.

Viewing images

- 1 Launch the **Gallery** app and tap **Pictures**.

2 Select an image.



You can create an animated GIF or collage from multiple images. On the list, tap **⋮** → **Create GIF** or **Create collage**, and then select images.

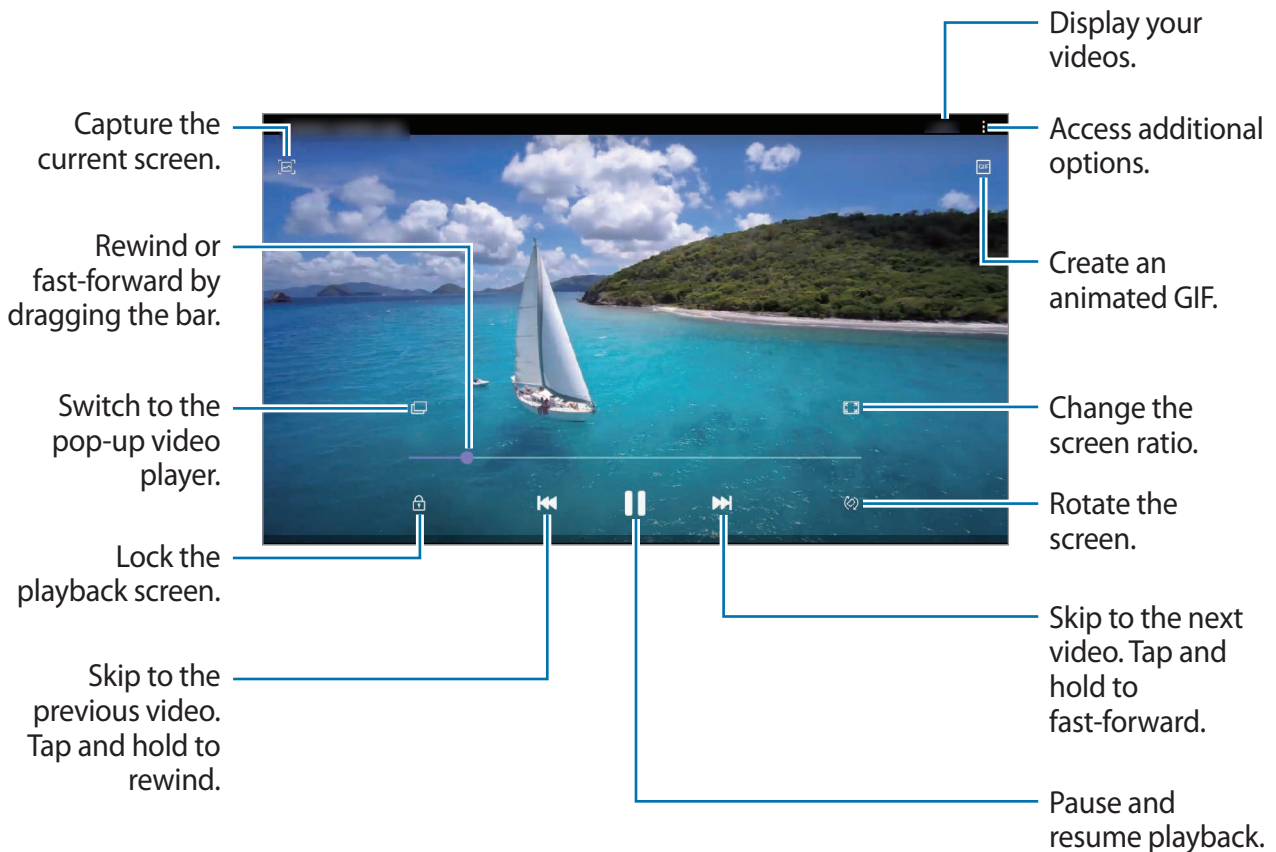
Searching for images

Launch the **Gallery** app and tap **Q** to view images sorted by category, such as types, locations, or documents.

To search for images by entering keywords, tap the search field.

Viewing videos

- 1 Launch the **Gallery** app and tap **Pictures**.
- 2 Select a video to play.
- 3 Tap **Play video** to play the video.

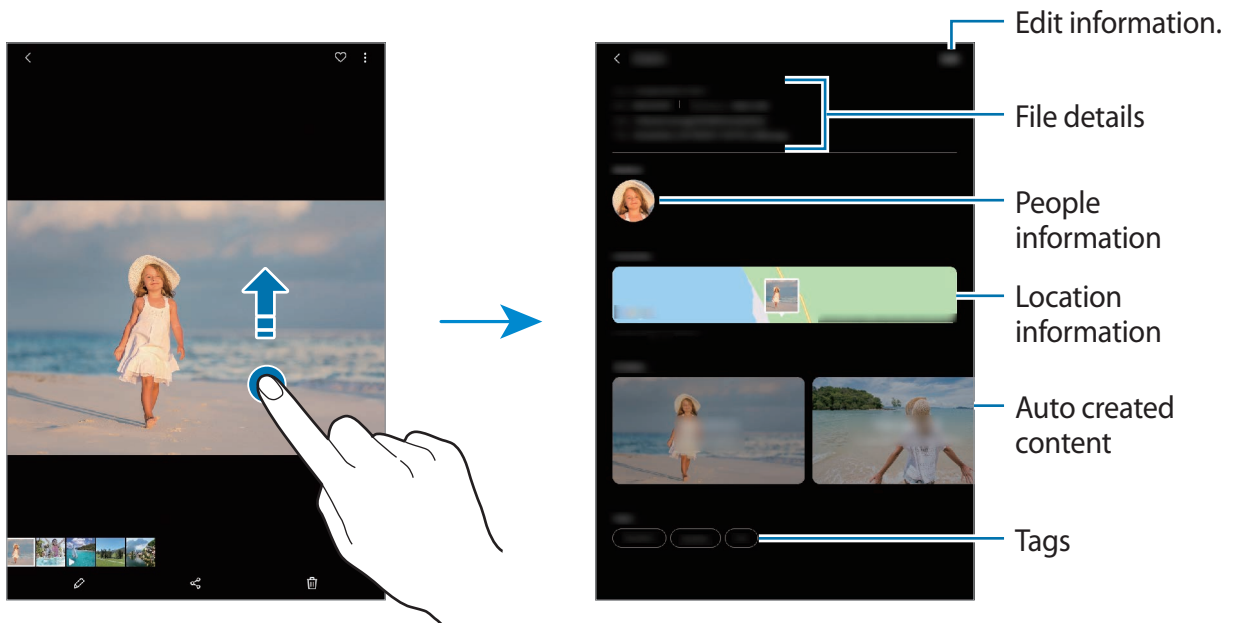


Drag your finger up or down on the left side of the playback screen to adjust the brightness, or drag your finger up or down on the right side of the playback screen to adjust the volume. To rewind or fast-forward, swipe to the left or right on the playback screen.

Viewing the details of images and videos

While viewing an image or on the video preview screen, drag upwards on the screen. File details will appear.

You can also view related content by tapping information on the screen.



Viewing photos or videos by category

You can view photos and videos by category.

Launch the **Gallery** app, tap **Pictures** or **Albums**, and then drag the list downwards to select a category.

- **Videos:** View the videos saved in your device.
- **Favourites:** View your favourite photos and videos.
- **Locations:** View photos and videos taken in the same location.
- **Suggested:** View recommended content.

Viewing albums

You can view your images and videos sorted by folders or albums.

Launch the **Gallery** app, tap **Albums**, and then select an album.

Hiding albums

You can hide albums.



You cannot hide albums created by default, such as the **Camera** and **Screenshots** albums.

- 1 Launch the **Gallery** app and tap **Albums**.
- 2 Tap **⋮** → **Hide or unhide albums**.
- 3 Tap an album switch to hide.

Viewing stories

When you capture or save images and videos, the device will read their date and location tags, sort the images and videos, and then create stories. To create stories automatically, you must capture or save multiple images and videos.


Launch the **Gallery** app, tap **Stories**, and then select a story.

Creating stories

Create stories with various themes.

- 1 Launch the **Gallery** app and tap **Stories**.
- 2 Tap **⋮** → **Create story**.
- 3 Enter a title for the story and tap **Create**.
- 4 Tick images or videos to include in the story and tap **Done**.


To add images or videos to a story, select a story and tap  → **Add**.

To remove images or videos from a story, select a story, tap  → **Edit**, tick images or videos to remove, and then tap **Remove from story**.

Deleting stories


- 1 Launch the **Gallery** app and tap **Stories**.
- 2 Tap and hold a story to delete, and tap **Delete**.

Deleting images or videos

- 1 Launch the **Gallery** app.
- 2 Select an image or a video to delete.
To delete multiple files, tap and hold a file to delete on the list and tick more files to delete.
- 3 Tap  or **Delete**.

Using the recycle bin feature

You can keep the deleted images and videos in the recycle bin. The files will be deleted after a certain period.

Launch the **Gallery** app, tap  → **Settings**, and then tap the **Recycle bin** switch to activate it.

To view files in the recycle bin, launch the **Gallery** app and tap  → **Recycle bin**.

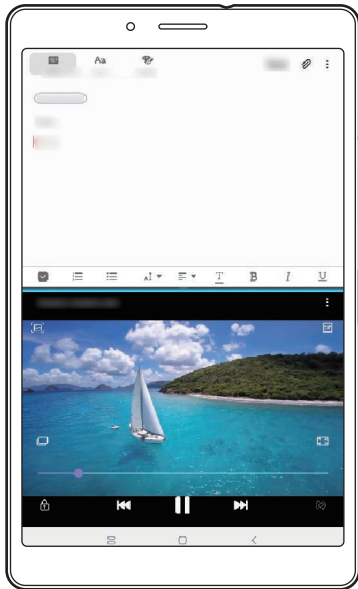
Multi window

Introduction

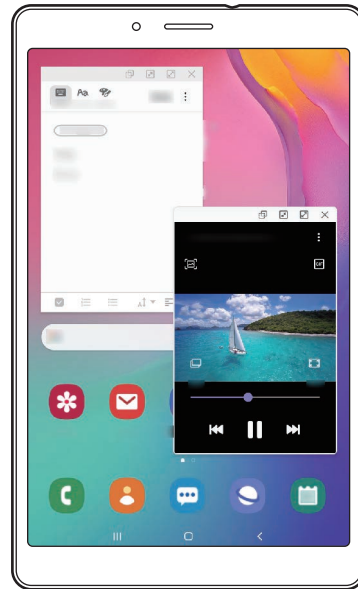
Multi window lets you run two apps at the same time in the split screen view. You can also run multiple apps at the same time in the pop-up view.



Some apps may not support this feature.



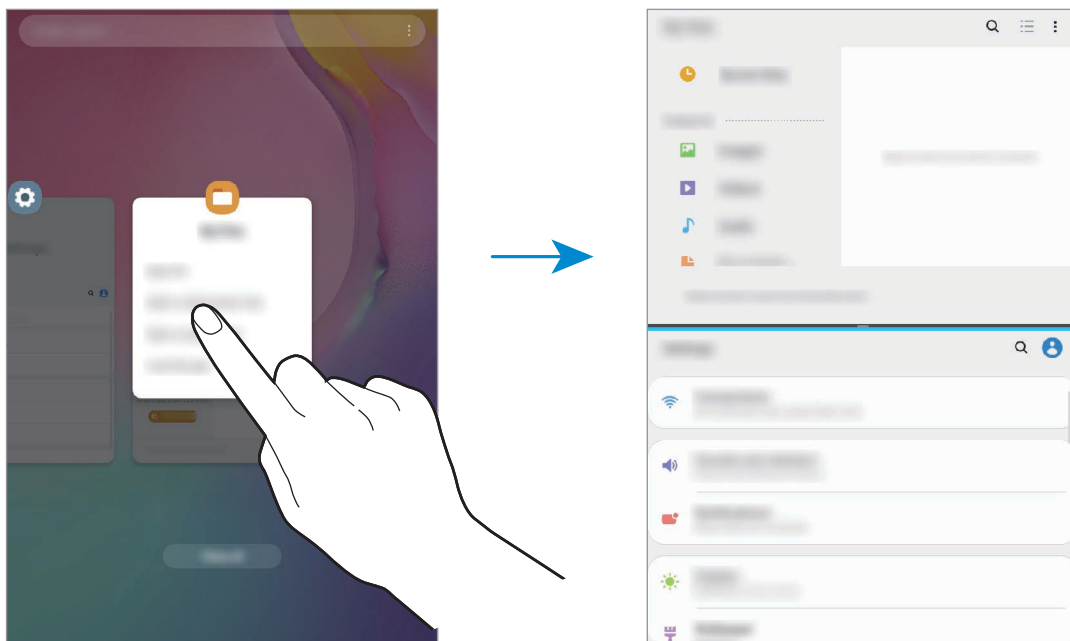
Split screen view



Pop-up view

Split screen view

- 1 Tap the Recents button to open the list of recently used apps.
- 2 Swipe to the left or right, tap an app's icon, and then tap **Open in split screen view**.
The selected app will launch in the upper window.
- 3 On the lower window, swipe left or right to select another app to launch.
To launch apps not on the list of recently used apps, tap the Home button or Back button and select an app.



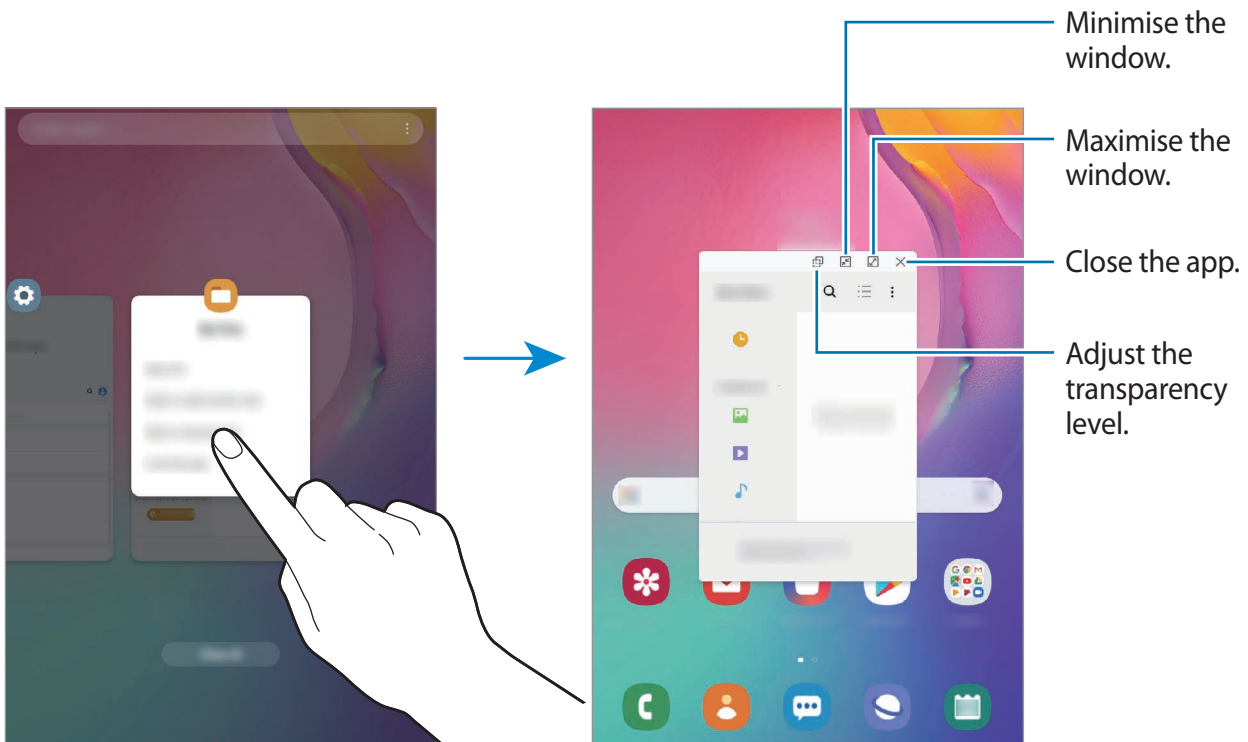
Adjusting the window size

Drag the bar between the app windows up or down to adjust the size of the windows.

When you drag the bar between the app windows to the top or bottom edge of the screen, the window will be maximised.

Pop-up view

- 1 Tap the Recents button to open the list of recently used apps.
- 2 Swipe to the left or right, tap an app's icon, and then tap **Open in pop-up view**.
The app screen will appear in the pop-up view.



Moving pop-up windows

To move a pop-up window, tap the window's toolbar and drag it to a new location.

Samsung Members

Samsung Members offers support services to customers, such as device problem diagnosis, and lets users submit questions and error reports. You can also share information with others in the Galaxy users' community or view the latest Galaxy news and tips. **Samsung Members** can help you solve any problems you might encounter while using your device.




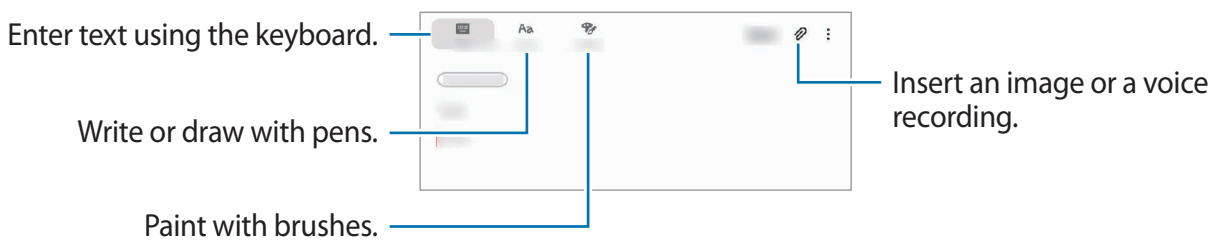
To submit your feedback or post your comments, you must sign in to your Samsung account. Refer to [Samsung account](#) for more information.

Samsung Notes

Create notes by entering text from the keyboard or by handwriting or drawing on the screen. You can also insert images or voice recordings into your notes.

Creating notes

- 1 Launch the **Samsung Notes** app and tap .
- 2 Select an input method from the toolbar at the top of the screen and compose a note.



- 3 When you are finished composing the note, tap **Save**.

Deleting notes

- 1 Launch the **Samsung Notes** app.
- 2 Tap and hold a note to delete.
To delete multiple notes, tick more notes to delete.
- 3 Tap **Delete**.

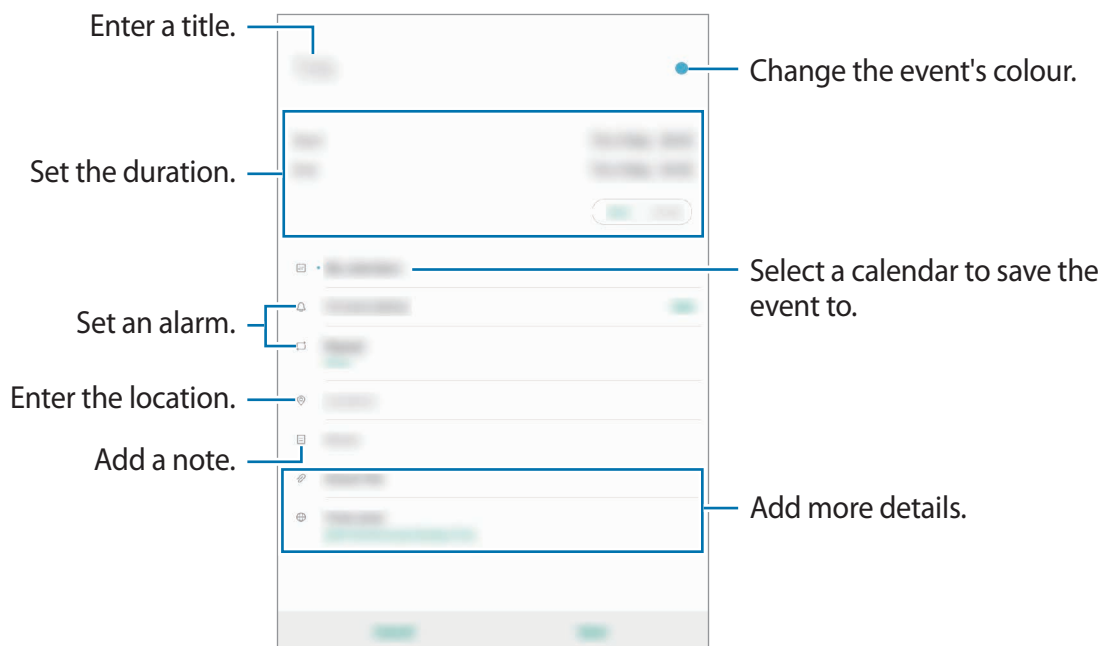
Calendar

Manage your schedule by entering upcoming events or reminders in your planner.

Creating events

- 1 Launch the **Calendar** app and tap **+** or double-tap a date.
If the date already has saved events or tasks in it, tap the date and tap **+**.

- 2 Enter event details.






- 3 Tap **Save** to save the event.

Creating reminders

You can create tasks as reminders and receive notifications at the preset time or location for each reminder. Launch the **Calendar** app and tap **☰** → **Reminder**.

Syncing events with your accounts

- 1 Launch the **Settings** app, tap **Accounts and backup** → **Accounts**, and then select the account to sync with.
- 2 Tap **Sync account** and tap the **Calendar** switch to activate it.
For the Samsung account, tap  → **Sync settings** and tap the **Calendar** switch to activate it.

To add accounts to sync with, launch the **Calendar** app and tap  →  → **Add new account**. Then, select an account to sync with and sign in. When an account is added, a blue circle is displayed next to the account name.

My Files

Access and manage various files stored in the device or in other locations, such as cloud storage services.

Launch the **My Files** app.

View files that are stored in each storage.

To check for unnecessary data and free up the device's storage, tap  → **Storage analysis**.

To search for files or folders, tap **Q**.

Clock

Introduction

Set alarms, check the current time in many cities around the world, time an event, or set a specific duration.

Alarm

Launch the **Clock** app and tap **Alarm**.

Setting alarms

Tap **+** in the alarms list, set an alarm time, select the days on which the alarm will repeat, set other various alarm options, and then tap **Save**.

To open the keypad to enter an alarm time, tap the time input field.

To activate or deactivate alarms, tap the switch next to the alarm in the alarms list.

Stopping alarms

Tap **Dismiss** to stop an alarm. If you have previously enabled the snooze option, tap **Snooze** to repeat the alarm after a specified length of time.

Deleting alarms

Tap and hold an alarm, tick alarms to delete, and then tap **Delete**.

World Clock

Launch the **Clock** app and tap **World Clock**.

Creating clocks

Tap **+**, enter a city name or select a city from the map, and then tap **Add**.

To use the time zone converter, tap **⋮** → **Time zone converter**.

Deleting clocks

Tap and hold a clock, tick clocks to delete, and then tap **Delete**.

Stopwatch

- 1 Launch the **Clock** app and tap **Stopwatch**.
- 2 Tap **Start** to time an event.
To record lap times while timing an event, tap **Lap**.
- 3 Tap **Stop** to stop timing.
 - To restart the timing, tap **Resume**.
 - To clear lap times, tap **Reset**.

Timer


- 1 Launch the **Clock** app and tap **Timer**.
To add a frequently used timer, tap **+**, set the duration and name, and then tap **Add**.
- 2 Set the duration and tap **Start**.
To open the keypad to enter the duration, tap the duration input field.
- 3 Tap **Dismiss** when the timer goes off.

Calculator

Perform simple or complex calculations.

Launch the **Calculator** app.

To clear the history, tap **Clear history**.


To use the unit conversion tool, tap . You can convert various values, such as area, length, or temperature, into other units.

Kids Home

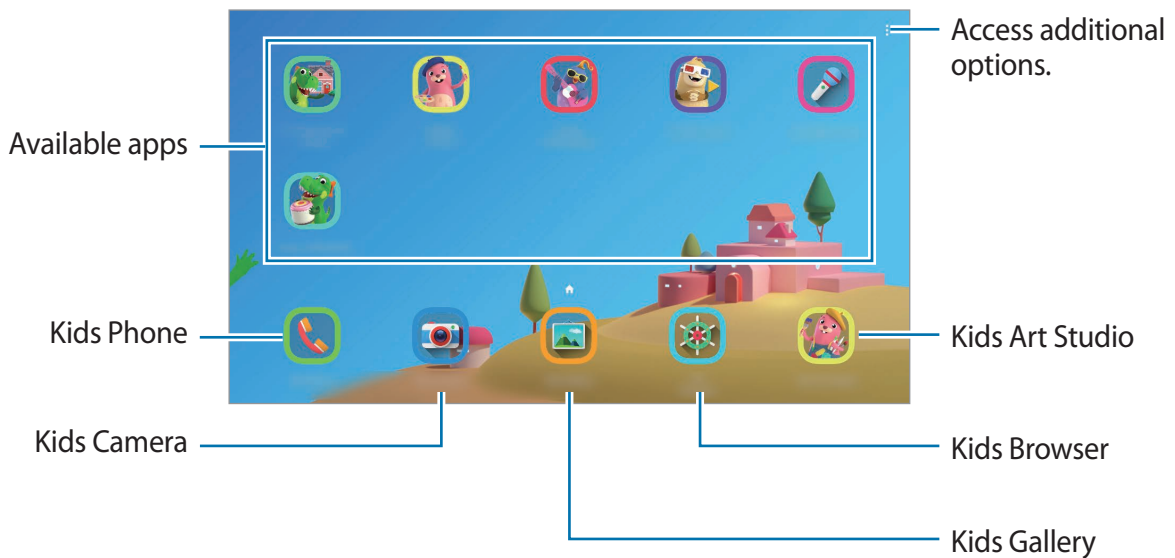
Introduction

You can restrict children’s access to certain apps, set their usage times, and configure settings to provide a fun and safe environment for children when they use the device.

Using Kids Home

Open the notification panel, swipe downwards, and then tap  (**Kids Home**) to activate it. The Kids Home screen will appear. When starting Kids Home for the first time or after performing a data reset, follow the on-screen instructions to complete the setup.

On the Kids Home screen, select the app you want to use.



Your preset screen lock method or your created PIN will be used when activating the **Parental control** feature or closing Kids Home.


Using parental control features

You can configure the settings for Kids Home and view the usage history.

On the Kids Home screen, tap  → **Parental control** and enter your unlock code.

- **Kid's name:** Manage your child's profile.
- **Set daily playtime:** Restrict the usage time for Kids Home.
- **Daily usage:** View the daily usage time of Kids Home.
- **Activity:** View the activity history of Kids Home.
- **Frequently contacted:** View the frequently used contacts in Kids Home. (SM-T295)
- **My kid's creations:** View the works created from the apps in Kids Home.
- **Allowed content:** Check the apps or content supported by Kids Home and add them.
- **Show Content page:** Set the device to show the Samsung partners' content pages on the Kids Home screen.

Closing Kids Home

To close Kids Home, tap the Back button or tap  → **Close Kids Home**, and then enter your unlock code.

Sharing content

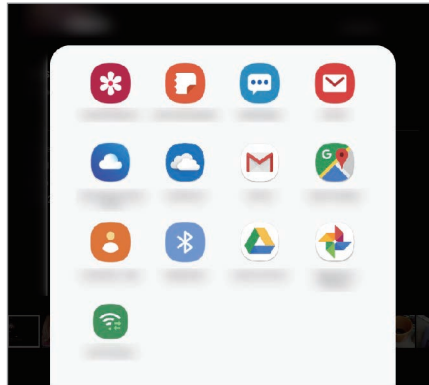
Share content by using various sharing options. The following actions are an example of sharing images.



You may incur additional charges when sharing files via the mobile network.
(SM-T295, SM-T297)

- 1 Launch the **Gallery** app and select an image.

2 Tap  and select a sharing method, such as email.



When you have a communication or sharing history, the people you contacted will appear on the sharing options panel. To directly share content with them via the corresponding app, select a person's icon. If the feature is not activated, launch the **Settings** app, tap **Advanced features**, and then tap the **Direct share** switch to activate it.

Google apps

Google provides entertainment, social network, and business apps. You may require a Google account to access some apps.

To view more app information, access each app's help menu.



Some apps may not be available or may be labelled differently depending on the region or service provider.

Chrome

Search for information and browse webpages.

Gmail

Send or receive emails via the Google Mail service.

Maps

Find your location on the map, search the world map, and view location information for various places around you.

Play Music

Discover, listen to, and share music on your device. You can upload music collections stored on your device to the cloud and access them later.

Play Movies & TV

Purchase or rent videos, such as movies and TV programmes, from **Play Store**.

Drive

Store your content on the cloud, access it from anywhere, and share it with others.

YouTube

Watch or create videos and share them with others.

Photos

Search for, manage, and edit all your photos and videos from various sources in one place.

Google

Search quickly for items on the Internet or your device.

Duo

Make a simple video call.

Settings

Introduction

Customise device settings. You can make your device more personalised by configuring various setting options.

Launch the **Settings** app.

To search for settings by entering keywords, tap **Q**.

Connections

Options

Change settings for various connections, such as the Wi-Fi feature and Bluetooth.

On the Settings screen, tap **Connections**.

- **Wi-Fi:** Activate the Wi-Fi feature to connect to a Wi-Fi network and access the Internet or other network devices. Refer to [Wi-Fi](#) for more information.
- **Bluetooth:** Use Bluetooth to exchange data or media files with other Bluetooth-enabled devices. Refer to [Bluetooth](#) for more information.
- **Flight mode:** Set the device to disable all wireless functions on your device. You can use only non-network services.



Follow the regulations provided by the airline and the instructions of aircraft personnel. In cases where it is allowed to use the device, always use it in flight mode.

- **Mobile networks:** Configure your mobile network settings. (SM-T295, SM-T297)
- **Data usage**
 - ▶ **SM-T295, SM-T297:** Keep track of your data usage amount and customise the settings for the limitation. Set the device to automatically disable the mobile data connection when the amount of mobile data you have used reaches your specified limit.
You can also activate the data saver feature to prevent some apps running in the background from sending or receiving data. Refer to [Data saver \(SM-T295, SM-T297\)](#) for more information.
 - ▶ **SM-T290:** Keep track of your data usage amount.
- **Mobile Hotspot and Tethering:** Use the device as a mobile hotspot to share the device's mobile data connection with other devices when the network connection is not available. Connections can be made via Wi-Fi, USB, or Bluetooth. Refer to [Mobile Hotspot and Tethering \(SM-T295, SM-T297\)](#) for more information. (SM-T295, SM-T297)
- **More connection settings:** Customise settings to control other features. Refer to [More connection settings](#) for more information.

Wi-Fi

Activate the Wi-Fi feature to connect to a Wi-Fi network and access the Internet or other network devices.

Connecting to a Wi-Fi network

1 On the Settings screen, tap **Connections** → **Wi-Fi** and tap the switch to activate it.

2 Select a network from the Wi-Fi networks list.

Networks that require a password appear with a lock icon. Enter the password and tap **Connect**.



- Once the device connects to a Wi-Fi network, the device will reconnect to that network each time it is available without requiring a password. To prevent the device connecting to the network automatically, select it from the list of networks and tap **Forget**.
- If you cannot connect to a Wi-Fi network properly, restart your device's Wi-Fi feature or the wireless router.


Wi-Fi Direct

Wi-Fi Direct connects devices directly via a Wi-Fi network without requiring an access point.

- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Connections** → **Wi-Fi** and tap the switch to activate it.
- 2 Tap **Wi-Fi Direct**.
The detected devices are listed.
If the device you want to connect to is not in the list, request that the device turns on its Wi-Fi Direct feature.
- 3 Select a device to connect to.
The devices will be connected when the other device accepts the Wi-Fi Direct connection request.

Sending and receiving data

You can share data, such as contacts or media files, with other devices. The following actions are an example of sending an image to another device.

- 1 Launch the **Gallery** app and select an image.
- 2 Tap  → **Wi-Fi Direct** and select a device to transfer the image to.
- 3 Accept the Wi-Fi Direct connection request on the other device.
If the devices are already connected, the image will be sent to the other device without the connection request procedure.

Ending the device connection

- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Connections** → **Wi-Fi**.
- 2 Tap **Wi-Fi Direct**.
The device displays the connected devices in the list.
- 3 Tap the device name to disconnect the devices.

Bluetooth

Use Bluetooth to exchange data or media files with other Bluetooth-enabled devices.



- Samsung is not responsible for the loss, interception, or misuse of data sent or received via Bluetooth.
- Always ensure that you share and receive data with devices that are trusted and properly secured. If there are obstacles between the devices, the operating distance may be reduced.
- Some devices, especially those that are not tested or approved by the Bluetooth SIG, may be incompatible with your device.
- Do not use the Bluetooth feature for illegal purposes (for example, pirating copies of files or illegally tapping communications for commercial purposes). Samsung is not responsible for the repercussion of illegal use of the Bluetooth feature.

Pairing with other Bluetooth devices

1 On the Settings screen, tap **Connections** → **Bluetooth** and tap the switch to activate it. The detected devices will be listed.

2 Select a device to pair with.

If the device you want to pair with is not on the list, set the device to enter Bluetooth pairing mode. Refer to the other device's user manuals.




Your device is visible to other devices while the Bluetooth settings screen is open.

3 Accept the Bluetooth connection request on your device to confirm.


The devices will be connected when the other device accepts the Bluetooth connection request.

Sending and receiving data

Many apps support data transfer via Bluetooth. You can share data, such as contacts or media files, with other Bluetooth devices. The following actions are an example of sending an image to another device.

- 1 Launch the **Gallery** app and select an image.
- 2 Tap  → **Bluetooth** and select a device to transfer the image to.
If the device you want to pair with is not in the list, request that the device turns on its visibility option.
- 3 Accept the Bluetooth connection request on the other device.


Unpairing Bluetooth devices

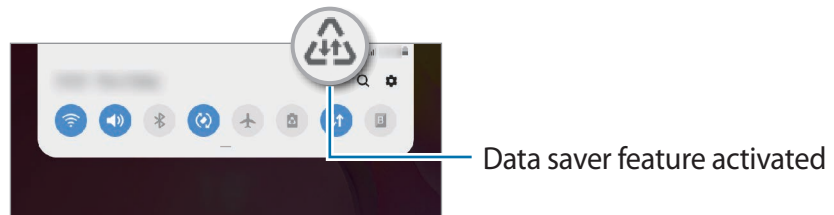
- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Connections** → **Bluetooth**.
The device displays the paired devices in the list.
- 2 Tap  next to the device name to unpair.
- 3 Tap **Unpair**.

Data saver (SM-T295, SM-T297)

Reduce your data usage by preventing some apps running in the background from sending or receiving data.

On the Settings screen, tap **Connections** → **Data usage** → **Data saver** and tap the switch to activate it.

When the data saver feature is activated, the  icon will appear on the status bar.



To select apps to use data without restriction, tap **Allow app while Data saver on** and select apps.

Mobile data only apps (SM-T295, SM-T297)

Select apps to always use the mobile data even when your device is connected to a Wi-Fi network.

For example, you can set the device to use only mobile data for apps that you want to keep secure or streaming apps that can be disconnected. Even if you do not deactivate the Wi-Fi feature, the apps will launch using the mobile data.

On the Settings screen, tap **Connections** → **Data usage** → **Mobile data only apps**, tap the switch to activate it, and then tap the switches next to the apps you want.



You may incur additional charges when using this feature.

Mobile Hotspot and Tethering (SM-T295, SM-T297)

Use the device as a mobile hotspot to share the device's mobile data connection with other devices when the network connection is not available. Connections can be made via Wi-Fi, USB, or Bluetooth.

On the Settings screen, tap **Connections** → **Mobile Hotspot and Tethering**.




You may incur additional charges when using this feature.


- **Mobile Hotspot:** Use the mobile hotspot to share the device's mobile data connection with computers or other devices.
- **Bluetooth tethering:** Use Bluetooth tethering to share the device's mobile data connection with computers or other devices via Bluetooth.
- **USB tethering:** Use USB tethering to share the device's mobile data connection with a computer via USB. When connected to a computer, the device is used as a wireless modem for the computer.

Using the mobile hotspot

Use your device as a mobile hotspot to share your device's mobile data connection with other devices.



- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Connections** → **Mobile Hotspot and Tethering** → **Mobile Hotspot**.
- 2 Tap the switch to activate it.

The  icon appears on the status bar. Other devices can find your device in the Wi-Fi networks list.

To set a password for the mobile hotspot, tap  → **Configure Mobile Hotspot** and select the level of security. Then, enter a password and tap **Save**.

3 On the other device's screen, search for and select your device from the Wi-Fi networks list.



- If the mobile hotspot is not found, on your device, tap  → **Configure Mobile Hotspot** and deselect **Hide my device**.
- If the other device cannot connect to the mobile hotspot, on your device, tap  → **Allowed devices** and tap the **Allowed devices only** switch to deactivate it.

4 On the connected device, use the device's mobile data connection to access the Internet.

More connection settings

Customise settings to control other connection features.

On the Settings screen, tap **Connections** → **More connection settings**.

- **Nearby device scanning:** Set the device to scan for nearby devices to connect to.
- **Printing:** Configure settings for printer plug-ins installed on the device. You can search for available printers or add one manually to print files. Refer to [Printing](#) for more information.
- **VPN:** Set up virtual networks (VPNs) on your device to connect to a school or company's private network.
- **Private DNS:** Set the device to use the security enhanced private DNS.
- **Ethernet:** When you connect an Ethernet adaptor, you can use a wired network and configure network settings.

Printing

Configure settings for printer plug-ins installed on the device. You can connect the device to a printer via Wi-Fi or Wi-Fi Direct, and print images or documents.



Some printers may not be compatible with the device.

Adding printer plug-ins

Add printer plug-ins for printers you want to connect the device to.

- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Connections** → **More connection settings** → **Printing** → **Download plugin**.
- 2 Search for a printer plug-in in **Play Store**.
- 3 Select a printer plug-in and install it.
- 4 Select the installed printer plug-in.
The device will automatically search for printers that are connected to the same Wi-Fi network as your device.
- 5 Select a printer to add.



To add printers manually, tap **⋮** → **Add printer**.

Printing content

While viewing content, such as images or documents, access the options list, tap **Print** → ▼ → **All printers...**, and then select a printer.



Printing methods may vary depending on the content type.

Sounds and vibration

Options

Change settings for various sounds on the device.

On the Settings screen, tap **Sounds and vibration**.

- **Sound mode:** Set the device to use sound mode, vibration mode, or silent mode.
- **Vibrate while ringing:** Set the device to vibrate and play a ringtone for incoming calls. (SM-T295)
- **Ringtone:** Change the call ringtone. (SM-T295)
- **Vibration pattern:** Select a vibration pattern. (SM-T295)
- **Notification sounds:** Change the notification sound.
- **Volume**
 - ▶ **SM-T295:** Adjust the volume level for call ringtones, music and videos, system sounds, the call waiting tone, and notifications.
 - ▶ **SM-T290, SM-T297:** Adjust the volume level for music and videos, system sounds, and notifications.
- **Use Volume keys for media:** Set the device to adjust the media volume level when you press the Volume key.
- **System sounds:** Set the device to sound for actions, such as controlling the touchscreen.
- **Advanced sound settings:** Optimise the settings for when media is being played. Refer to [Dolby Atmos \(surround sound\)](#) for more information.

Dolby Atmos (surround sound)

Select a surround sound mode optimised for various types of audio, such as movies, music, and voice. With Dolby Atmos, you can experience moving audio sounds that flows all around you.

On the Settings screen, tap **Sounds and vibration** → **Advanced sound settings** → **Sound quality and effects** → **Dolby Atmos**, tap the switch to activate it, and then select a mode.

Notifications

Change the notification settings.

On the Settings screen, tap **Notifications**.

- **App icon badges:** Change the settings for app icon badges.
- **Do not disturb**
 - ▶ **SM-T295:** Set the device to mute incoming calls, notification sounds, and media, except for allowed exceptions.
 - ▶ **SM-T290, SM-T297:** Set the device to mute notification sounds and media, except for allowed exceptions.
- **Status bar:** Set the device to display only three recent notifications and whether to show the remaining battery level in percentage on the status bar.
- **Recently sent:** View the apps that received recent notifications and change the notification settings. To customise notification settings for more apps, tap **See all** → ▼ → **All** and select an app from the apps list.

Display

Options

Change the display and the Home screen settings.

On the Settings screen, tap **Display**.


- **Brightness:** Adjust the brightness of the display.
- **Adaptive brightness:** Set the device to save power by adjusting the brightness of the display automatically.
- **Night mode:** Reduce eye strain by applying the dark theme when using the device at night or in a dark place. Refer to [Night mode](#) for more information.
- **Font size and style:** Change the font size and style.

- **Screen zoom:** Change the screen zoom setting.
- **Screen timeout:** Set the length of time the device waits before turning off the display's backlight.
- **Home screen:** Configure settings for the Home screen, such as the screen grid or layout.
- **Navigation bar:** Change the navigation bar settings. Refer to [Navigation bar \(soft buttons\)](#) for more information.
- **Screensaver:** Set the device to launch a screensaver when the device is charging. Refer to [Screensaver](#) for more information.

Night mode

Reduce eye strain by applying the dark theme when using the device at night or in a dark place.



- The dark theme may not be applied in some apps.
- You can quickly activate or deactivate night mode on the notification panel. Open the notification panel, swipe downwards, and then tap  (**Night mode**).

- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Display** → **Night mode** and tap the **Turn on now** switch to activate it.
- 2 To set the schedule to apply night mode to the screen, tap the **Turn on as scheduled** switch to activate it and select an option.
 - **Sunset to sunrise:** Set the device to turn on night mode at night and turn it off in the morning based on your current location.
 - **Custom schedule:** Set a specific time to turn on and off night mode.


Screensaver

You can set to display images as a screensaver when the screen turns off automatically. The screensaver will be displayed when the device is charging.

1 On the Settings screen, tap **Display** → **Screensaver** and tap the switch to activate it.

2 Select an option.

If you select **Photo Frame** or **Photos**, a slideshow with selected images will start. If you select **Photo Table**, selected images will appear as small cards and overlap.

3 Tap  to select albums for displaying images.

4 When you are finished, tap the Back button.

To preview the selected option, tap **Preview**.



When you tap the screen while your screensaver is displayed, the screen will turn on.

Wallpaper

Change the wallpaper settings for the Home screen and the locked screen.

On the Settings screen, tap **Wallpaper**.

Lock screen

Options

Change the settings for the locked screen.

On the Settings screen, tap **Lock screen**.



The available options may vary depending on the screen lock method selected.

- **Screen lock type:** Change the screen lock method.

- **Smart Lock:** Set the device to unlock itself when trusted locations or devices are detected. Refer to [Smart Lock](#) for more information.
- **Secure lock settings:** Change screen lock settings for the selected lock method.
- **Clock style:** Change the type and colour of the clock on the locked screen.
- **Roaming clock:** Change the clock to show both the local and home time zones on the locked screen when roaming. (SM-T295, SM-T297)
- **FaceWidgets:** Change the settings of the items displayed on the locked screen.
- **Contact information:** Set the device to show contact information, such as your email address, on the locked screen.
- **Notifications:** Set how to show notifications on the locked screen.
- **App shortcuts:** Select apps to display shortcuts to them on the locked screen.
- **About Lock screen:** View the Lock screen version and legal information.

Smart Lock

You can set the device to unlock itself and remain unlocked when trusted locations or devices are detected.

For example, if you have set your home as a trusted location, when you get home your device will detect the location and automatically unlock itself.



- This feature will be available to use after you set a screen lock method.
- If you do not use your device for four hours or when you turn on the device, you must unlock the screen using the pattern, PIN, or password you set.

- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Lock screen** → **Smart Lock**.
- 2 Unlock the screen using the preset screen lock method.
- 3 Select an option and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the setup.

Security

Change the settings for securing the device.

On the Settings screen, tap **Security**.

- **Google Play Protect:** Set the device to check for harmful apps and behaviour and warn about potential harm and remove them.
- **Find My Mobile:** Activate or deactivate the Find My Mobile feature. Access the Find My Mobile website (findmymobile.samsung.com) to track and control your lost or stolen device.

You can also allow the Google location service to provide more accurate information about the location of your device.

- **Security update:** View the version of your device's software and check for updates.
- **Install unknown apps:** Set the device to allow the installation of apps from unknown sources.
- **Encrypt SD card:** Set the device to encrypt files on a memory card.



If you reset your device to the factory defaults with this setting enabled, the device will not be able to read your encrypted files. Disable this setting before resetting the device.

- **Other security settings:** Configure additional security settings.
- **Location:** Change settings for location information permissions.
- **App permissions:** View the list of features and apps that have permission to use them. You can also edit the permission settings.
- **Send diagnostic data:** Set the device to automatically send the device's diagnostic and usage information to Samsung.
- **Receive marketing information:** Set whether to receive Samsung marketing information, such as special offers, membership benefits, and newsletters.

Accounts and backup

Options

Sync, back up, or restore your device's data using Samsung Cloud. You can also sign in to accounts, such as your Samsung account or Google account, or transfer data to or from other devices via Smart Switch.

On the Settings screen, tap **Accounts and backup**.

- **Accounts:** Add your Samsung and Google accounts, or other accounts, to sync with.
- **Users:** Set up additional user accounts for other users to use the device with personalised settings, such as email accounts, wallpaper preferences, and more. Refer to [Users](#) for more information.
- **Backup and restore:** Keep your personal information, app data, and settings safe on your device. You can back up your sensitive information and access it later. You must sign in to your Google or Samsung account to back up or restore data.
- **Samsung Cloud:** Manage the content that you want to store securely in Samsung Cloud. Check the usage status of your Samsung Cloud storage, and sync, back up, and restore your data. Refer to [Samsung Cloud](#) for more information.
- **Smart Switch:** Launch Smart Switch and transfer data from your previous device. Refer to [Transferring data from your previous device \(Smart Switch\)](#) for more information.



Regularly back up your data to a safe location, such as Samsung Cloud or a computer, so that you can restore it if the data is corrupted or lost due to an unintended factory data reset.

Users

Set up additional user accounts for other users to use the device with personalised settings, such as email accounts, wallpaper preferences, and more.

Following types of user accounts are available:

- **Administrator:** The administrator account is created only when setting up the device for the first time, and cannot be created more than one. This account has full control of the device including user account management. You can add or delete user accounts only when using this account.

- **Guest:** This account allows guests to access the device. Information and data used during a guest session is temporarily stored. Each time you use this account, you are asked whether to continue the previous guest session or reset it.
- **New user:** This account allows users to access their own apps and content, and customise the device settings that affect all accounts.
- **New restricted account:** A restricted account can only access the apps and content allowed by the administrator account, and cannot use the services that require logging in. (SM-T290, SM-T297)

Adding users

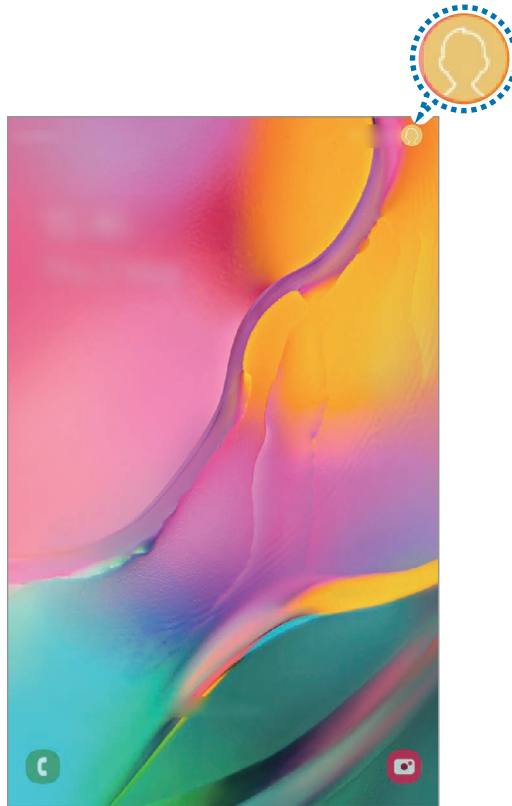
- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Accounts and backup** → **Users**.
- 2 **▶ SM-T295:** Tap **Add user** → **OK** → **Set up now**.
▶ SM-T290, SM-T297: Tap **Add user or profile** → **User** → **OK** → **Set up now**.
The device will switch to a new user account and the default locked screen will appear on the screen.
- 3 Unlock the device and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the account setup.

Adding restricted profiles (SM-T290, SM-T297)

- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Accounts and backup** → **Users**.
- 2 Tap **Add user or profile** → **User (restricted profile)**.
If you are not using a secure screen lock method with the administrator account, follow the on-screen instructions to set one up.
- 3 Select the apps and content that restricted users are allowed to access.

Switching users

Tap the user account icon at the top of the locked screen and select an account to switch to.



Locked screen

Managing users

► SM-T295:

When using the administrator account, you can delete accounts or change account settings.

On the Settings screen, tap **Accounts and backup** → **Users**.


To delete a user account, tap  next to the account and tap **Delete user**.



To change an account's settings, tap  next to an account.

► **SM-T290, SM-T297:**

When using the administrator account, you can delete accounts or change the settings for restricted accounts.

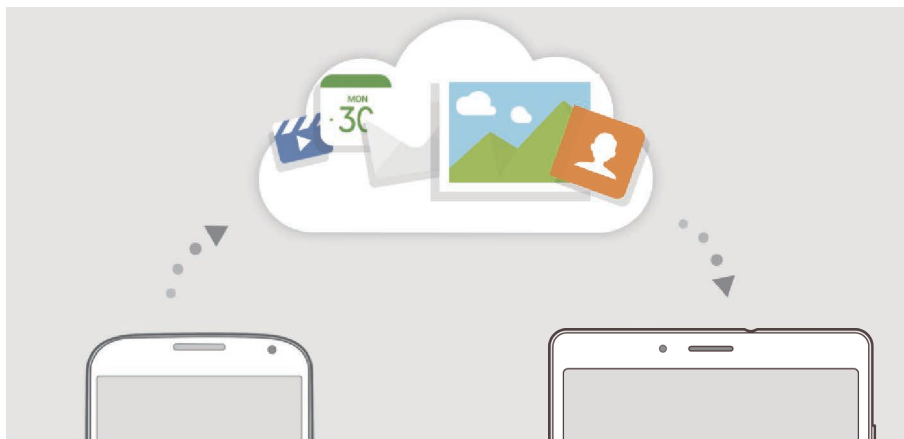
On the Settings screen, tap **Accounts and backup** → **Users**.

To delete a user account, tap  next to the account.

To change the settings for a restricted account, tap  next to an account. You can delete the account by tapping .

Samsung Cloud

Sync the data saved in your device with Samsung Cloud and view the data you have saved on Samsung Cloud. You can also back up your device's data to Samsung Cloud and restore it later.



To use Samsung Cloud, you must sign in to your Samsung account.

Syncing data

You can sync data saved in your device with Samsung Cloud and access it from other devices.

1 On the Settings screen, tap **Accounts and backup** → **Samsung Cloud**.

2 Tap  → **Settings** → **Sync and auto backup settings** → **Sync**.

3 Tap the switches next to the items you want to sync with.



You can check the saved data or change the settings by tapping **Other synced data** or **Samsung Cloud Drive**.

Backing up data

You can back up your device's data to Samsung Cloud.

- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Accounts and backup** → **Samsung Cloud** → **Back up this tablet**.
- 2 Tick items you want to back up and tap **Back up**.
- 3 Tap **Done**.



- Some data will not be backed up. To check which data will be backed up, on the Settings screen, tap **Accounts and backup** → **Samsung Cloud** → **Back up this tablet**.
- To view the backup data for other devices in your Samsung Cloud, on the Settings screen, tap **Accounts and backup** → **Samsung Cloud** → **Restore data** → ▼, and then select a device you want.

Restoring data

You can restore your backup data from Samsung Cloud to your device.

- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Accounts and backup** → **Samsung Cloud**.
- 2 Tap **Restore data** → ▼ and select a device you want.
- 3 Tick items you want to restore and tap **Restore**.

Google

Configure settings for some features provided by Google.

On the Settings screen, tap **Google**.

Advanced features

Options

Activate advanced features and change the settings that control them.

On the Settings screen, tap **Advanced features**.



Excessive shaking or an impact to the device may cause an unintended input for some features using sensors.

- **Smart pop-up view:** Select apps to view their notifications via pop-up windows. When using this feature, you can quickly view the contents via pop-up windows by tapping the icon on the screen.



This feature is only available in apps that support the Multi window feature.

- **Direct share:** Set the device to display the people you contacted on the sharing options panel to allow you to share content directly.
- **Reduce animations:** Set the device to reduce the screen effects of certain actions, such as opening or closing apps.
- **Motions and gestures:** Activate the motion feature and configure settings. Refer to [Motions and gestures](#) for more information.

Motions and gestures

Activate the motion feature and configure settings.

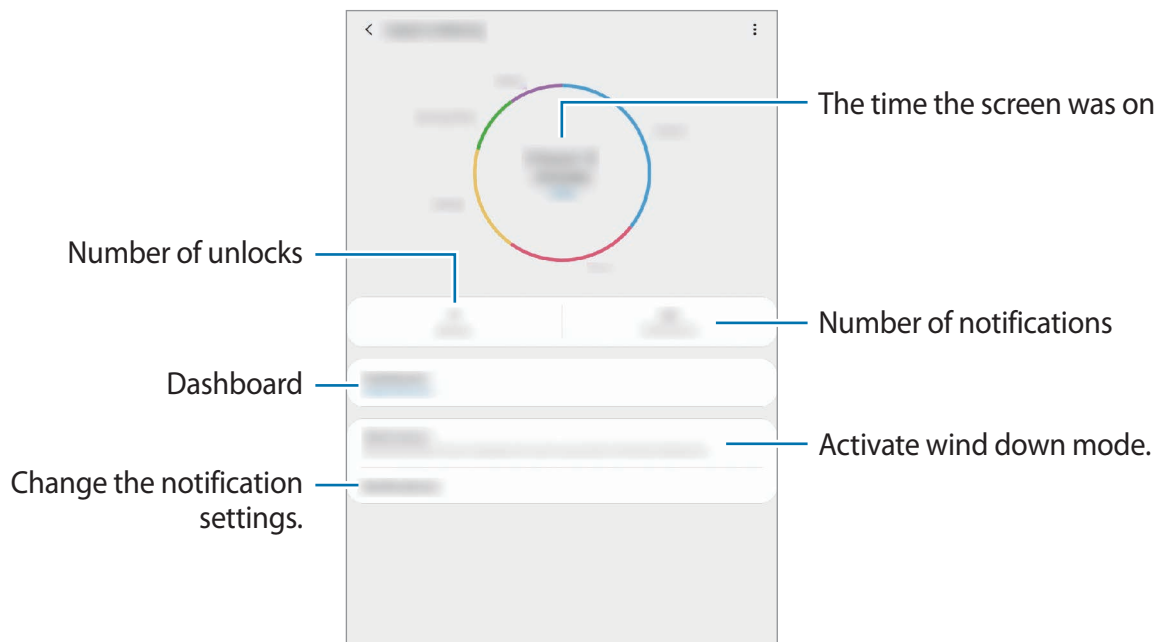
On the Settings screen, tap **Advanced features** → **Motions and gestures**.

- **Double tap to wake:** Set the device to turn on the screen by double-tapping anywhere on the screen while the screen is turned off.
- **Swipe to call or send messages:** Set the device to make a call or send a message when you swipe to the right or left on a contact or a phone number in the **Phone** or **Contacts** app. (SM-T295)

Digital wellbeing

View the daily usage history of your device. You can see information such as how long the screen was on and how many times you opened apps or used certain features. You can also limit usage time or change the notification settings for each app.

On the Settings screen, tap **Digital wellbeing**.



Setting timers for apps

You can limit the daily usage time for each app by setting a timer. When you reach the limit, the app will be deactivated and you cannot use it.

1 On the Settings screen, tap **Digital wellbeing** → **Dashboard**.

2 Tap **No timer** next the app you want and set the time.

Activating wind down mode

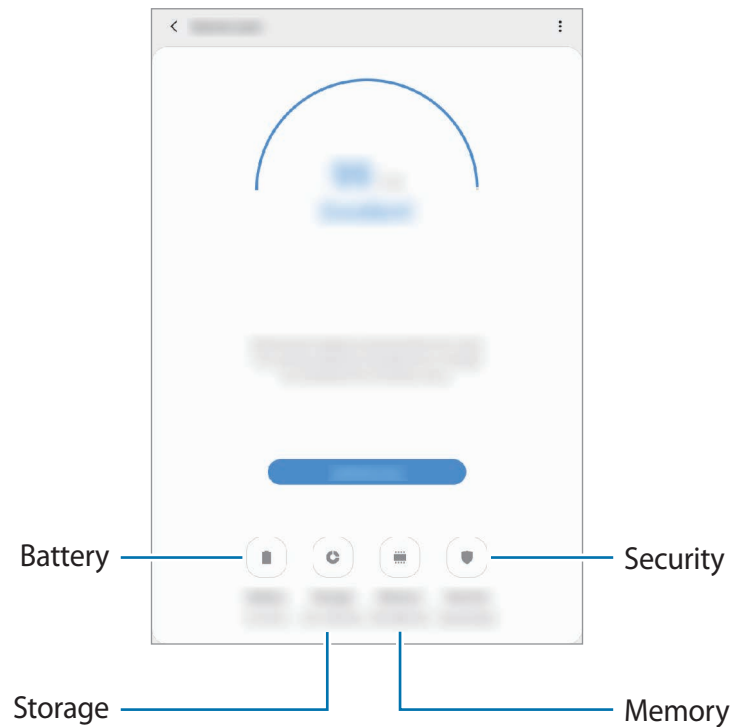
You can activate wind down mode to reduce eye strain before sleeping and prevent your sleep from being disturbed.

- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **Digital wellbeing** → **Wind down** and tap the **Turn on now** switch to activate it.
- 2 Turn on the switch to activate the feature you want.
 - **Greyscale:** Displays colours on the screen as grey tones.
 - **Do not disturb**
 - ▶ **SM-T295:** Set the device to mute incoming calls, notification sounds, and media, except for allowed exceptions.
 - ▶ **SM-T290, SM-T297:** Set the device to mute notification sounds and media, except for allowed exceptions.
- 3 To set the schedule to activate wind down mode, tap the **Turn on as scheduled** switch to activate it, tap **Set schedule**, and then set the time.

Device care

Introduction

The device care feature provides an overview of the status of your device's battery, storage, memory, and system security. You can also automatically optimise the device with a tap of your finger.




Optimising your device

On the Settings screen, tap **Device care** → **Optimise now**.

The quick optimisation feature improves device performance through the following actions.

- Clearing some memory.
- Deleting unnecessary files and closing apps running in the background.
- Managing abnormal battery usage.
- Scanning for crashed apps and malware.

Using the auto optimisation feature

You can set the device to perform auto optimisation when your device is not in use. Tap  → **Auto optimisation** and tap the switch to activate it. If you want to set the time to perform auto optimisation, tap **Time**.

Battery

Check the remaining battery power and time to use the device. For devices with low battery levels, conserve battery power by activating power saving features.

On the Settings screen, tap **Device care** → **Battery**.



- The usage time left shows the time remaining before the battery power runs out. Usage time left may vary depending on your device settings and operating conditions.
- You may not receive notifications from some apps that use power saving mode.

Power mode

Select a power mode that suits your device usage purposes.

Tap **Power mode** and select an option.

- **Optimised:** Optimised for a balance between the device's performance and battery usage.
- **Medium power saving:** Activate power saving mode to extend the battery's usage time.
- **Maximum power saving**
 - ▶ **SM-T295, SM-T297:** In maximum power saving mode, the device decreases battery consumption by activating night mode and limiting the apps and features available. Network connections, except for the mobile network, will be deactivated.
 - ▶ **SM-T290:** In maximum power saving mode, the device decreases battery consumption by activating night mode and limiting the apps and features available.

Adaptive power saving

You can set the device to activate power saving mode automatically based on your usage patterns and the remaining battery power.

Tap **Power mode** and tap the **Adaptive power saving** switch to activate it. Your device will activate power saving mode based on the situation to extend the battery's usage time.

Managing battery usage for each app

You can save battery power by preventing apps that are running in the background from using battery power when they are not being used. Select apps from the apps list and tap the **Put app to sleep** switch to activate the feature.

Storage

Check the status of the used and available memory.

On the Settings screen, tap **Device care** → **Storage**.



- The actual available capacity of the internal memory is less than the specified capacity because the operating system and default apps occupy part of the memory. The available capacity may change when you update the device.
- You can view the available capacity of the internal memory in the Specification section for your device on the Samsung website.

Managing the memory

To delete residual files, such as cache, tap **Clean now**. To delete files or uninstall apps that you do not use any more, select a category under **User data**. Then, tick items to select and tap **DELETE** or **UNINSTALL**.

Memory

On the Settings screen, tap **Device care** → **Memory**.

To speed up your device by stopping apps running in the background, tick apps from the apps list, and tap **Clean now**.

Security

Check the device's security status. This feature scans your device for malware.

On the Settings screen, tap **Device care** → **Security** → **Scan tablet**.

Apps

Manage the device's apps and change their settings. You can view the apps' usage information, change their notification or permission settings, or uninstall or disable unnecessary apps.

On the Settings screen, tap **Apps**.

General management

Customise your device's system settings or reset the device.

On the Settings screen, tap **General management**.

- **Language and input:** Select device languages and change settings, such as keyboards and voice input types. Some options may not be available depending on the selected language. Refer to [Adding device languages](#) for more information.
- **Date and time:** Access and alter the settings to control how the device displays the time and date.




If the battery remains fully discharged, the time and date is reset.

- **Contact us:** Ask questions or view frequently asked questions. Refer to [Samsung Members](#) for more information.
- **Reset:** Reset your device's settings or perform a factory data reset. You can reset all your settings, or only network settings, or accessibility settings. You can also set the device to restart at a preset time for device optimisation.

Adding device languages

You can add languages to use on your device.


- 1 On the Settings screen, tap **General management** → **Language and input** → **Language** → **Add language**.

To view all the languages that can be added, tap  → **All languages**.

- 2 Select a language to add.

- 3 To set the selected language as the default language, tap **Set as default**. To keep the current language setting, tap **Keep current**.

The selected language will be added to your languages list. If you changed the default language, the selected language will be added to the top of the list.

To change the default language from your languages list, drag  next to a language and move it to the top of the list. Then, tap **Apply**. If an app does not support the default language, the next supported language in the list will be used.

Accessibility

Configure various settings to improve accessibility to the device.

On the Settings screen, tap **Accessibility**.

- **Screen reader:** Activate Voice Assistant, which provides voice feedback. To view help information to learn how to use this feature, tap **Tutorial**.
- **Visibility enhancements:** Customise the settings to improve accessibility for visually impaired users.
- **Hearing enhancements:** Customise the settings to improve accessibility for users with hearing impairment.
- **Interaction and dexterity:** Customise the settings to improve accessibility for users who have reduced dexterity.
- **Advanced settings:** Configure settings for Direct access and notification features.
- **Installed services:** View accessibility services installed on the device.

Software update

Update your device's software via the firmware over-the-air (FOTA) service. You can also schedule software updates.

On the Settings screen, tap **Software update**.



If emergency software updates are released for your device's security and to block new types of security threats, they will be installed automatically without your agreement.

- **Download and install:** Check for and install updates manually.
- **Auto download over Wi-Fi:** Set the device to download updates automatically when connected to a Wi-Fi network.
- **Last update:** View information about the last software update.

Security updates information

Security updates are provided to strengthen the security of your device and protect your personal information. For security updates for your model, visit security.samsungmobile.com.



The website supports only some languages.

User manual

View help information to learn how to use the device and apps or configure important settings.

On the Settings screen, tap **User manual**.

About tablet

Access your device's information.

On the Settings screen, tap **About tablet**.

To change your device's name, tap **Edit**.

- **Status**
 - ▶ **SM-T295, SM-T297:** View various device information, such as the SIM card status, Wi-Fi MAC address, and serial number.
 - ▶ **SM-T290:** View various device information, such as the Wi-Fi MAC address and serial number.
- **Legal information:** View legal information related to the device, such as safety information and the open source licence.
- **Software information:** View the device's software information, such as its operating system version and firmware version.
- **Battery information:** View the device's battery status and information.

Appendix

Troubleshooting

Before contacting a Samsung Service Centre, please attempt the following solutions. Some situations may not apply to your device.

When you turn on your device or while you are using the device, it prompts you to enter one of the following codes:

- **Password:** When the device lock feature is enabled, you must enter the password you set for the device.
- **PIN:** When using the device for the first time or when the PIN requirement is enabled, you must enter the PIN supplied with the SIM or USIM card. You can disable this feature by using the Lock SIM card menu.
- **PUK:** Your SIM or USIM card is blocked, usually as a result of entering your PIN incorrectly several times. You must enter the PUK supplied by your service provider.
- **PIN2:** When you access a menu requiring the PIN2, you must enter the PIN2 supplied with the SIM or USIM card. For more information, contact your service provider.

Your device displays network or service error messages

- When you are in areas with weak signals or poor reception, you may lose reception. Move to another area and try again. While moving, error messages may appear repeatedly.
- You cannot access some options without a subscription. For more information, contact your service provider.

Your device does not turn on

When the battery is completely discharged, your device will not turn on. Fully charge the battery before turning on the device.

The touchscreen responds slowly or improperly

- If you attach a screen protector or optional accessories to the touchscreen, the touchscreen may not function properly.
- If you are wearing gloves, if your hands are not clean while touching the touchscreen, or if you tap the screen with sharp objects or your fingertips, the touchscreen may malfunction.
- The touchscreen may malfunction in humid conditions or when exposed to water.
- Restart your device to clear any temporary software bugs.
- Ensure that your device software is updated to the latest version.
- If the touchscreen is scratched or damaged, visit a Samsung Service Centre.

Your device freezes or encounters a fatal error

Try the following solutions. If the problem is still not resolved, contact a Samsung Service Centre.

Restarting the device

If your device freezes or hangs, you may need to close apps or turn off the device and turn it on again.

Forcing restart

If your device is frozen and unresponsive, press and hold the Power key and the Volume Down key simultaneously for more than 7 seconds to restart it.

Resetting the device

If the methods above do not solve your problem, perform a factory data reset.

Launch the **Settings** app and tap **General management** → **Reset** → **Factory data reset** → **Reset** → **Delete all**. Before performing the factory data reset, remember to make backup copies of all important data stored in the device.

Calls are not connected

- Ensure that you have accessed the right cellular network.
- Ensure that you have not set call barring for the phone number you are dialling.
- Ensure that you have not set call barring for the incoming phone number.

Others cannot hear you speaking on a call

- Ensure that you are not covering the built-in microphone.
- Ensure that the microphone is close to your mouth.
- If using an earphone, ensure that it is properly connected.

Sound echoes during a call

Adjust the volume by pressing the Volume key or move to another area.

A cellular network or the Internet is often disconnected or audio quality is poor

- Ensure that you are not blocking the device's internal antenna.
- When you are in areas with weak signals or poor reception, you may lose reception. You may have connectivity problems due to issues with the service provider's base station. Move to another area and try again.
- When using the device while moving, wireless network services may be disabled due to issues with the service provider's network.

The battery does not charge properly (For Samsung-approved chargers)

- Ensure that the charger is connected properly.
- Visit a Samsung Service Centre and have the battery replaced.

The battery depletes faster than when first purchased

- When you expose the device or the battery to very cold or very hot temperatures, the useful charge may be reduced.
- Battery consumption will increase when you use certain features or apps, such as GPS, games, or the Internet.
- The battery is consumable and the useful charge will get shorter over time.

Error messages appear when launching the camera

Your device must have sufficient available memory and battery power to operate the camera app. If you receive error messages when launching the camera, try the following:

- Charge the battery.
- Free some memory by transferring files to a computer or deleting files from your device.
- Restart the device. If you are still having trouble with the camera app after trying these tips, contact a Samsung Service Centre.

Photo quality is poorer than the preview

- The quality of your photos may vary, depending on the surroundings and the photography techniques you use.
- If you take photos in dark areas, at night, or indoors, image noise may occur or images may be out of focus.

Error messages appear when opening multimedia files

If you receive error messages or multimedia files do not play when you open them on your device, try the following:

- Free some memory by transferring files to a computer or deleting files from your device.
- Ensure that the music file is not Digital Rights Management (DRM)-protected. If the file is DRM-protected, ensure that you have the appropriate licence or key to play the file.
- Ensure that the file formats are supported by the device. If a file format is not supported, such as DivX or AC3, install an app that supports it. To confirm the file formats that your device supports, visit www.samsung.com.
- Your device supports photos and videos captured with the device. Photos and videos captured by other devices may not work properly.
- Your device supports multimedia files that are authorised by your network service provider or providers of additional services. Some content circulated on the Internet, such as ringtones, videos, or wallpapers, may not work properly.

Bluetooth is not working well

If another Bluetooth device is not located or there are connection problems or performance malfunctions, try the following:

- Ensure that the device you wish to connect with is ready to be scanned or connected to.
- Ensure that your device and the other Bluetooth device are within the maximum Bluetooth range (10 m).
- On your device, launch the **Settings** app, tap **Connections**, and then tap the **Bluetooth** switch to re-activate it.
- On your device, launch the **Settings** app, tap **General management** → **Reset** → **Reset network settings** → **Reset settings** → **Reset** to reset network settings. You may lose registered information when performing the reset.

If the tips above do not solve the problem, contact a Samsung Service Centre.

A connection is not established when you connect the device to a computer

- Ensure that the USB cable you are using is compatible with your device.
- Ensure that you have the proper driver installed and updated on your computer.
- If you are a Windows XP user, ensure that you have Windows XP Service Pack 3 or higher installed on your computer.

Your device cannot find your current location

GPS signals may be obstructed in some locations, such as indoors. Set the device to use Wi-Fi or a mobile network to find your current location in these situations.

Data stored in the device has been lost

Always make backup copies of all important data stored in the device. Otherwise, you cannot restore data if it is corrupted or lost. Samsung is not responsible for the loss of data stored in the device.

A small gap appears around the outside of the device case

- This gap is a necessary manufacturing feature and some minor rocking or vibration of parts may occur.
- Over time, friction between parts may cause this gap to expand slightly.


There is not enough space in the device's storage

Delete unnecessary data, such as cache, using the device care feature or manually delete unused apps or files to free up storage space.

The Home button does not appear

The navigation bar containing the Home button may disappear while using certain apps or features. To view the navigation bar, drag upwards from the bottom of the screen.

The screen brightness adjustment bar does not appear on the notification panel

Open the notification panel by dragging the status bar downwards, and then drag the notification panel downwards. Tap  next to the brightness adjustment bar and tap the **Show control on top** switch to activate it.

Removing the battery

- **To remove the battery, contact an authorised service centre. To obtain battery removal instructions, please visit www.samsung.com/global/ecodesign_energy.**
- For your safety, you **must not attempt to remove** the battery. If the battery is not properly removed, it may lead to damage to the battery and device, cause personal injury, and/or result in the device being unsafe.
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