



Do Not Call Registry

Telemarketing calls are often an unwelcome annoyance. To reduce the amount of unwanted telemarketing calls you receive, you can register your home and cellular phone numbers on the nationwide Do Not Call Registry. The Attorney General's Office enforces the rules of the Do Not Call Registry to make sure that businesses follow the law and consumers do not become victims of fraud.

To register, visit <https://donotcall.gov/register/reg.aspx> or call 1-888-382-1222. Individuals with hearing or speech disabilities can reach us by using the 7-1-1 relay service.

Easy on-line registration

Step 1 Enter up to three phone numbers and your email address

Step 2 Check that the information is correct

Step 3 Receive an email from verify@donotcall.gov within a few minutes. It will tell you if your number was previously registered or if the new registration is complete.

This service is free to consumers and doesn't require repeated enrollment—once you sign up, your registration will not expire.

However, it's important to know that, under federal and state law, a number of businesses or organizations still can call numbers on the registry, including:

- calls from organizations with which you have established a business relationship;
- calls for which you have given prior written consent;
- calls which are not commercial or do not include unsolicited advertisements;
- calls by or on behalf of tax-exempt non-profit organizations.
- calls that are political
- calls about charities
- calls about debt collection

The Do Not Call Registry stops **sales** calls from real companies. The Registry is a list that tells telemarketers what numbers not to call. The FCC does not and cannot block calls and the Registry can't stop calls from scammers who ignore the Registry. To get fewer unwanted calls, look into [blocking unwanted calls](#). There are different call-blocking options for mobile phones, traditional landlines, and landlines that use the internet (VoIP). More information on call blocking can be found on the FCC website www.donotcall.gov.

For more information, please contact us.

Chicago Consumer Hotline
1-800-386-5438

Springfield Consumer Hotline
1-800-243-0618

Carbondale Consumer Hotline
1-800-243-5377

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