

Initial iPad or iPhone Settings

Introduction

These are some of the settings you might want to check on a new device or at any time. Most of the tips have an accompanying web site with further explanation and some have a link to view a video also.

1. Set up one or more email accounts
 - Go to Settings, Mail, Contacts, Calendars
 - Tab Add Account on the right
 - See <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT201320>
 - Video <https://youtu.be/4Llkm7PAX1w>
2. Choose your default email account if you set up more than one
 - Go to Settings, Mail, Contacts, Calendars
 - Scroll down to Default Account on the right
 - See info [here](#)
3. Choose your default contacts list
 - Go to Settings, Mail, Contacts, Calendars
 - Scroll down to Default Account under Contacts on the right
4. Set up your Wallpaper for your Lock Screen and Background
 - Go to Settings, Wallpaper
 - Tab to the right of Choose a New Wallpaper
 - After locating what you want you can choose Set Lock Screen, Set Home Screen or both
 - See <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT200285>
 - Video <https://youtu.be/kPLKz3wQt8k>
5. Choose a Ringtone and other sounds
 - Go to Settings, Sounds
 - From here you can choose your default sounds
 - See <http://ipod.about.com/od/phonefeatures/ht/iphone-ringtone.htm>
6. Set a Ringtone for a particular contact
 - Open Contacts, select a contact and tab edit
 - From here you can choose a Ringtone or Vibration
 - See <http://www.iphonefaq.org/archives/971155>
7. Disable Cellular data if you have a conservative Data Plan
 - Open Settings and tab Cellular Data
8. Turn off Cellular Data on a per App basis if desired
 - Open Settings, tap Cellular and scroll down
9. Turn on iCloud Backup
 - Go to Settings and tap iCloud
 - Scroll down to Backup on the right and enable it
 - See https://support.apple.com/kb/PH12520?locale=en_US
 - Video https://youtu.be/JAA_NLFUi1c
10. Turn on Find My iPad or iPhone and enable Send Last Location
 - Go to Settings and tap iCloud
 - Scroll down to Find My iPad or iPhone on the right

- Tap it and turn on both items including Send Last Location
 - See <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT205362>
 - Video <https://youtu.be/vYAlDq8zWzo>
11. Turn on My Photo Stream
 - Go to Settings, iCloud and scroll down to Photos on the right
 - Tap it and enable My Photo Stream
 - You can also enable iCloud Photo Sharing and Upload Burst Photos
 - You can also turn on iCloud Photo Library which is a big step. Look this up prior to proceeding
 - See https://support.apple.com/kb/PH13693?locale=en_US
 - Video <https://youtu.be/bkfrftMGfNU>
 12. Turn on iCloud Drive
 - Go to Settings, iCloud and tap iCloud Drive.
 - From here you can enable it and also show it on your Home Screen
 - See <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT204025>
 - Video <https://youtu.be/1NHnslmLePc>
 13. Check your available iCloud Storage
 - Go to Settings, iCloud and tap Storage
 - Tap Manage Storage. Your available storage will show
 - See <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT204247>
 - Video <https://youtu.be/mNBAHKdiOYs>
 14. Check your Location Services
 - Go to Settings, Privacy, Location Services
 - Make sure none of the Apps show Always. They should show While Using or Never
 - See <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT203033>
 - Video <https://youtu.be/u20NJ9TYR4Y>
 15. Decide if you want to use Family Sharing
 - Go to Settings, iCloud and tap Set Up Family Sharing
 - See <http://www.apple.com/icloud/family-sharing/>
 16. Decide if you want to install iCloud for a Windows Desktop
 - You can download it from <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT204283>
 17. Choose if you want to enable camera GPS
 - Go to Settings, Privacy Locations
 - Scroll down to the Camera and tap the setting on the right to change it
 18. Restore Apps if your purchased them previously
 - Go to the App Store
 - On an iPad tap purchased at the bottom and you will see previous purchases
 - On an iPhone tap Updates at the bottom and then tap Purchased at the top
 19. Install your Apps now or as you need them
 20. Answer your iPhone calls on your iPad
 - On your iPad go Settings, FaceTime
 - Turn on Calls from iPhone
 - On your iPhone go to Settings, Phone and turn on Calls on Other Devices
 - Note that both devices must be on the same Wi-Fi network