

# New UK online safety measures - What's covered?



## Social media

Restrictions on access to major social media platforms for under-16s. Platforms named by the Government which may include are TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat, Facebook, X and YouTube.

✔ YouTube Kids is not currently included in the ban.



## Communicating with strangers

Features that allow under-16s to communicate with strangers would be restricted across relevant online services, including gaming platforms.



## Livestreaming

Under-16s would not be able to create or host livestreams.



## AI chatbots

Romantic or sexual AI chatbots will be banned for under-18s. All AI tools must also switch off similar features for anyone under 18.



## 16-17-year-olds

Livestreaming and stranger-contact protections would be switched on by default. Additional protections are under consideration.



## Platform design

The Government is considering measures such as overnight curfews, breaks in infinite scrolling and other design changes to support children's wellbeing online.



## Age verification

Simply asking children to enter their date of birth will no longer be enough. Platforms will need to introduce robust checks, the exact methods are still being decided.

