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# SIGNAL 201



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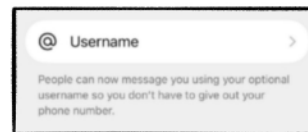


Signal is a good option in-terms of built-in security, but still only as secure as your best security practices.

A. Be mindful of infiltrators in groups where you don't know everyone.

B. But being too paranoid to the point of inaction is also risky!

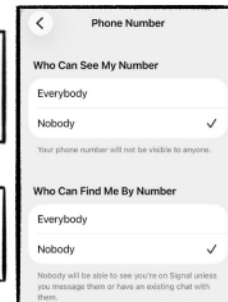
## Creating a username and hiding phone number



A. Settings  
→ tap your profile picture  
→ @ Username  
→ set your desired username

B. Settings  
→ Privacy  
→ Phone number  
→ Who can see my number  
→ Set to Nobody

C. Settings  
→ Privacy  
→ Phone number  
→ Who can find me by number  
→ Set to Nobody



## Making nicknames and profile pictures non-identifiable

A. Settings  
→ tap your profile picture  
→ tap your display name  
→ change to something else



B. Settings  
→ tap your profile picture  
→ Edit photo  
→ change your picture to something else



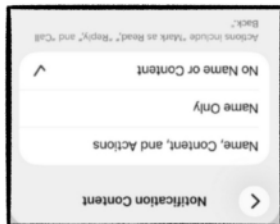
## Group privacy settings

Recommended group privacy settings:  
Go to a group where you are an admin:  
→ Tap on the chat name  
→ Group link  
→ Manage



## Small tips: default disappearing messages

A. Settings  
→ Notifications  
→ Show  
→ set to No Name or message



B. On iOS: Settings  
→ Privacy  
→ Disappearing Messages  
→ Set to what you prefer (4weeks or 1 week should be good)

C. On Android: Settings  
→ Privacy  
→ Default timer for chats  
→ Set to what you prefer (4weeks or 1 week should be good)

