WORKOUT 02

Set Up Your Smart Speaker for Privacy



With Security Planner

Your smart speaker has several privacy settings. You can mute the device to make sure it's not listening if you're not using it, review or delete past recordings, opt out of programs that use your recordings to improve voice recognition, and even set a PIN to prevent unwanted purchases.

Your Next Steps

Identify your Smart Speaker Platform

Security Planner arranges smart speakers by platform instead of smart speaker brand because both Amazon Alexa and Google Assistant can now be used with smart speakers from lots of companies. Siri works only with Apple devices. We offer tips on how to adjust your privacy settings on platforms like Amazon, Apple and Google.

Decide the privacy settings you are most comfortable changing

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Follow Security Planner steps to change preferred settings on your Smart Device Platform

Find your platform on Security Planner's tips and adjust your privacy settings under step 3, "Check your privacy settings." Don't have a Smart Speaker, don't worry!

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Smart TVs Home Security Cameras

Gaming Consoles

Fitness Trackers

Why is this important?

- Deleting old recordings, muting your device when not in use, and making other changes to protect your privacy will restrict some of the ways the manufacturer and its marketing partners can use your data.
- Learn more at securityplanner.consumerreports.org