Set Up Your Smart Speaker for Privacy

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! Security Planner offers tips on how to secure your:

- 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