

# How to Clean Your Devices

## Cleaning your device

Cleaning your devices is simpler than you'd think. The most important thing to remember is you don't want ANY liquid to get inside a laptop, keyboard, or device of any kind. Electricity and water are a bad combination. You should also NEVER use general purpose cleaning products on a monitor or screen.

1. Turn off and unplug your chromebook, laptop or device.
2. You can use any mild cleaning liquid you have on hand, but use common sense. Isopropyl alcohol, bleach or alcohol wipes, a mix of bleach and water, etc, are all okay to use.
3. Wet a cloth with the cleaning liquid.
4. Wring out the cloth until it's damp, but not wet.
5. Gently wipe down the exterior of your device. For example, for a chromebook or laptop, wipe down the case, keyboard, and touchpad. Avoid getting any of the cleaning liquid on the screen, but cleaning the bezel around your screen is fine.

## Cleaning your monitor and screens

To clean the screen on your chromebook or laptop:

1. There are many computer screen cleaners on the market, but warm water is usually all we use. You can prepare a solution that is one part dishwashing detergent with five parts water, if needed.
2. Use a lint-free or microfiber cloth, and dampen it with water or the solution.
3. Make sure it's damp, but not wet. You don't want dripping.
4. Wipe the screen down gently, ensuring you don't scratch it.
5. Follow with a dry, lint-free or microfiber cloth.

For screens on smartphones or tablets (such as iPads), you can use isopropyl alcohol or alcohol wipes. That's because these screens are made of glass. However, if you are unsure if your device has a glass screen, err on the side of caution and just use water.

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