Transferring Files Easily

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1 Introduction

Transferring files between your own devices can be a challenge. Even more challenging is sending a file to another person. In this manual I will teach you how to transfer files in a variety of common situations.

2 Airdrop

If you have an Apple device, just airdrop it. It's fast, easy, and secure.

3 Bluetooth File Transfer

If you have non-Apple devices then you can use Bluetooth to transfer files. This is different for every device, so look up how to to it on your OS. On Windows there is a Bluetooth button on the taskbar that you can right-click to get file sharing options.

4 Telegram

While this option is not as private, it can send files up to 2 gigabytes for free. Telegram is also a fantstic messaging app.

5 Wormhole

A great website (https://wormhole.app) that lets you send 10 gigabyte files with end-to-end encryption for free.

6 OneDrive, Google Drive, Dropbox, etc

Just upload a file to one of these sites and downloads them on another device. To share with someone else you can send a link. It's simple, but now Microsoft/Google/Dropbox/etc has all your files. That might be fine for your grandma's cheesecake recipe, but not okay for sensitive documents, such as your passport.

7 Signal

You can send photos and small files on Signal, but it has a stingy file size limit of 100 megabytes.

8 Email

Don't. Just Don't

9 Hacky Ways For Extra Credit

9.1 Web Server

Just throw a file on a web server and send the link. If you want a web server I recommend Linode. Here is my referral link for \$100 of free credit: https://www.linode.com/?r=853d43ab54f5332e999bf52c43235413fcf0a841

9.2 SFTP

If you run Linux you can easily transfer files over SFTP. Most distros have SFTP built into their default file manager.

9.3 Carrier Pidgeon

Simply attach a lightweight storage medium to an animal that is trained to go to a certain location.