

Privacy Policy — Foretell

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Foretell ("the app", "we", "us") is a weather companion built on the principle of minimum data collection. We do not run servers that store your information, we do not require accounts, and we do not embed advertising, analytics, or third-party tracking SDKs. This policy describes the limited data the app uses on your device and the third-party services it talks to in order to show you a forecast.

By installing or using Foretell, you acknowledge that you have read and understood this Privacy Policy.

1. Information We Do Not Collect

Foretell does not collect, transmit, sell, or share any of the following to or with any server operated by the developer:

- Personal information (name, email, phone number, address).
- Account credentials (there are no user accounts).
- Device identifiers, advertising IDs, or any other persistent identifier that could be used to track you across apps or sessions.
- Usage analytics, crash analytics, or behavioural events.
- Any contact, calendar, photo, microphone, or camera data — the app does not request these permissions.

2. Information Stored Locally On Your Device

The following information is stored on your device, in a database managed by the app, and never transmitted to a server operated by us:

- Your preferences — temperature unit, wind speed unit, and your notification toggles.
- The list of cities you have saved in the app.
- Recent forecast responses cached on disk to keep the app responsive and reduce network usage.
- Internal flags that remember whether the app has shown the notification permission prompt at startup.

This data lives only on your device. Uninstalling the app removes it.

3. Location

Foretell requests location access only when you are using the app (known as "While Using" permission on iOS and "Approximate" or "Precise while using" on Android). The latest device location is used to look up the forecast for your area and to refresh the forecast when the app is opened.

- Your location is not stored on a remote server operated by us.
- Your location is not shared with any third party for advertising or tracking purposes.
- You can revoke location access at any time from your device's system settings; the app will continue to function for any city you have saved manually.

4. Third-Party Services

To produce a forecast, the app sends requests directly from your device to the following third-party services. These requests are not proxied through any server we operate, and we do not attach any identifier linking the request back to you.

- Open-Meteo (<https://open-meteo.com>)
Receives the latitude and longitude of the city you are viewing (either a saved city or your current device location). Open-Meteo returns weather forecast data. Open-Meteo's terms and privacy policy are available on their website.
- Wikipedia (<https://www.wikipedia.org>)
Receives the name of a saved city when the app fetches a hero image for the saved-locations screen. Wikipedia returns a single representative image URL. Wikipedia's terms and privacy policy are available on their website.

We are not responsible for the privacy practices of these third-party services. We encourage you to review their respective privacy policies.

5. Notifications

Foretell uses local notifications scheduled on your device. There is no push notification token registered with us or with any third party, and no notification content travels through a server we operate.

- Severe Weather notifications: when enabled, the app periodically refreshes forecast data for your saved cities in the background and posts a local notification on your device if a severe condition is detected. All processing happens on your device.
- Daily Forecast notifications: when enabled, the app schedules a daily local notification with a summary of your active city's forecast. The notification is queued by the operating system on your device.

You can disable either type of notification at any time from the Settings screen inside the app, or from your device's system notification settings.

6. Background Activity

When you opt into notifications, the app registers a background task with the operating system (BGTaskScheduler on iOS, WorkManager on Android). The operating system decides when and how often to run this task, typically when the device is on battery-friendly conditions and connected to the internet. When the task runs, it performs the same forecast refresh that the app performs while open, and then sleeps.

The background task does not transmit any data to a server we operate.

7. Children's Privacy

Foretell is not directed at children under the age of 13 (or the equivalent minimum age in the relevant jurisdiction) and we do not knowingly collect personal information from them. The app does not contain advertising, social features, or any mechanism through which a child could share personal information.

8. Data Retention And Your Rights

Because Foretell does not collect personal information on any server we operate, there is no remote data set associated with you. All app data lives on your device and is under your control:

- To review or modify your saved data: open the app's Settings screen and the saved-locations list.
- To delete all app data: uninstall the app from your device.

- To revoke a previously granted permission: use your device's system settings.

Where applicable laws (such as the GDPR in the European Economic Area or the CCPA in California) provide you with rights of access, rectification, deletion, or portability, those rights can be exercised locally on your device by the actions above. We do not hold any additional copy of your data that we could provide or delete on your behalf.

9. Security

The app stores its data in the standard application sandbox provided by your operating system. The operating system isolates this data from other applications. Network requests to third-party services are made over HTTPS.

No method of electronic storage or transmission is 100% secure, and we cannot guarantee absolute security.

10. Changes To This Policy

If we make material changes to this policy, the in-app version of the policy will be updated and the "Last Updated" date at the top of this document will change. There is no remote configuration that would silently change how the app handles your data; any change requires an app update delivered through the Apple App Store or Google Play.

We encourage you to review this policy periodically.

11. Contact

If you have any questions about this Privacy Policy or about the app's handling of data, please contact:

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