

Zapas Privacy Policy

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Summary

Your app data is saved on your device first. When you sign in with Google or with an email address, the App syncs your app data with our cloud services automatically. As a guest, your app data stays on your device.

Synced photos are stored at a web address. Anyone who has the direct link to a synced photo can open it without signing in.

Shared Homes are visible to their members. Everyone in a Home sees its pantry, lists and photos, and the email addresses of the owner and members. Another user who knows your email address can add you to their Home without asking you first.

Scanning an unknown barcode sends it to Open Food Facts, a public product database, to suggest the product's name and photo.

We do not sell personal data, show ads, or track you across other apps. The App does not request your device's location.

You can delete your account in the App or by email, and edit or delete your app data at any time.

Who we are

Zapas (the App) is developed and operated by Pavel Poley under the name PPApps ("we", "us"). This policy explains what data the App uses, why, and what choices you have. For privacy questions or requests, email ppapps.dev@gmail.com.

In this policy, app data means the information you save in the App: Homes, pantry items, shopping lists, places, categories, products, barcodes, prices, dates, descriptions and photos.

Information the App uses

Account information

When you sign in with Google, we receive your account identifier and email address. Google may also share your name and a link to your profile photo, depending on your Google settings; our sign-in provider stores them with your account. When you sign up with an email address, you give us that email address and a password. Our sign-in provider stores the password only in a hashed form, never as plain text. We do not send an email to confirm the address. If you choose Continue without an account, the App creates a guest account identifier on our server, without an email address. For every account, including guest accounts, our server records the date you last used the App.

App data

App data is saved on your device. When you sign in with Google or with an email address, app data is also stored in our cloud database, so that your devices and the members of your Homes stay up to date. Guest app data stays on your device until you sign in with Google or with an email address; then it syncs.

Photos

When you add a photo, the App shrinks it and saves a new copy on your device. The saved copy does not keep embedded information from the original file, such as location data.

Anything visible in the photo stays. When you sign in with Google or with an email address, the App uploads the photo to our cloud storage. See "Photos and web links" below.

People you share Homes with

To share a Home, the owner enters the email address of a person who already has a Zapas account, and can add an optional name for them, which only the owner sees. If someone adds you to their Home, they give us your email address and any name they choose for you.

Barcodes and product lookups

The camera scans barcodes on your device. The scanner does not upload camera images. When you scan or type a barcode that is not in your app data, the App sends the barcode, your device language and the App's version to Open Food Facts to find the product's name and photo, and downloads the product photo from Open Food Facts.

Purchases

When paid features are available, the App connects to our purchase provider each time it starts, even if you buy nothing. The purchase provider receives a random app identifier and app and device details, to tell the App which features you can use. When you buy or restore a purchase, it also receives your account identifier. Google Play handles the payment. We do not receive your payment card details.

Action names and error reports

The App sends the names of actions you take, such as opening a screen, to our server. Our server does not store them; like every request, they leave a record in short-term technical logs. Crash and error reports include app and device information and your account identifier. These records are not designed to contain your app data, but an error report can include technical details, such as a web address in a failed request.

Connection information

Online services receive connection information, such as your IP address and the time of a request. Your IP address may reveal your approximate location, although the App does not request access to your device's location.

Support requests

If you email us, we receive your message, your email address and any attachments.

Permissions

The App asks for the camera (to scan barcodes and take photos) and notifications (for expiration and low-stock reminders). If you deny a permission, only the features that need it are limited. You can change permissions in your device settings.

Do you have to give us data?

No law requires you to give us data. You need to sign in with Google or with an email address to sync your data and share Homes. Without signing in, you can use the App as a guest on one device. We do not make automated decisions about you that have legal or similarly significant effects.

How we use information

We use information only to run and improve the App:

- to create and secure your account and connect your devices;
- to save, sync and show your app data, including on the devices of the members of your Homes;
- to show expiration and low-stock reminders (the App creates these on your device; we do not send push messages);
- to look up products by barcode;
- to activate paid features and restore purchases;
- to find and fix errors and keep the service secure;
- to improve the App;
- to answer support requests and meet legal obligations.

We do not use your information for advertising, and we do not sell it.

Legal bases (GDPR and UK GDPR)

Where the GDPR or UK GDPR applies, we rely on these legal bases:

Contract: to provide the features you ask for, such as your account, sync, sharing, product lookup and purchases.

Legitimate interests: to keep the service secure and reliable, to fix errors, to improve the App, and to manage shared Homes. We balance these interests against your rights.

Legal obligation: for records or disclosures the law requires.

Service providers

Our cloud hosting and sync, purchase and error reporting providers process data on our behalf. Google and Open Food Facts use data under their own privacy policies.

Cloud hosting and sync providers

What they do: Accounts, cloud database, photo storage, server functions, sync between devices.

Data they process: Account identifier, email, name, synced app data, photos, connection information.

Purchase provider

What it does: Purchases and subscriptions.

Data it processes: Random app identifier, account identifier, app and device details, purchase records.

Error reporting provider

What it does: Crash and error reports.

Data it processes: Error reports, app and device information, account identifier.

Google

What it does: Google sign-in; Google Play purchases, in-app updates and review prompts; Google Drive backup (where available, if you connect it).

Data it processes: Sign-in details, purchase records, backup files in your Drive.

Google ML Kit

What it does: Barcode scanning on your device.

Data it processes: No camera images. Google receives technical data: device and app details, performance metrics, scanner settings and a per-installation identifier.

Google's disclosure: <https://developers.google.com/ml-kit/android-data-disclosure>

Open Food Facts

What it does: Product lookup by barcode, and product photos.

Data it processes: Barcode, device language, App version, connection information.

Its privacy policy: <https://world.openfoodfacts.org/privacy>

Providers may use other companies to help them.

Where data is processed

We operate from Israel, which has an EU adequacy decision. Our cloud database, photo storage and sync service are hosted in the United States. Other providers may process data in other countries. If we offer the App where the law requires safeguards for international transfers, we will use recognized safeguards, such as adequacy decisions or the European Commission's Standard Contractual Clauses. Contact us to learn which safeguards apply.

Legal and security disclosures

We may disclose information where the law requires or permits it: to comply with legal obligations, respond to lawful requests, establish or defend legal claims, or prevent fraud, abuse and security threats. We disclose only what the purpose needs.

Sync, sharing and photos

Cloud sync

Today every account that signs in with Google or with an email address has sync access; if this changes, we will update this policy. With sync access, the App connects and syncs your app data automatically; there is no separate switch. If sync access ends, data already uploaded is not deleted.

Shared Homes

Everyone in a Home can see and change its pantry, shopping lists, places, categories, products and photos. Only the owner can rename or delete the Home and add or remove people.

Members can see the email addresses of the Home's owner and members.

Anyone with a Zapas account who knows your email address can add you to their Home. We do not ask you or notify you first. The Home appears in your App, and its members can see your email address. You can leave a Home at any time, unless it is your only Home.

Any Zapas user who enters an email address can learn whether it belongs to a Zapas account.

Only add people who expect it, and only share information you have the right to share.

Removing someone from a Home does not delete what they already saw or copied.

Photos and web links

Photos uploaded through sync are stored at a hard-to-guess web address that contains your account identifier. Anyone who obtains the direct link can open the photo without signing in, even after their access to the Home ends. Photos stored only on your device are not affected. Do not add photos of people, documents or other private information to your items.

When you remove or replace a photo, or delete a product, place, Home or your account, a daily cleanup deletes the photo from our storage within about 8 days.

Backups

Where the App offers backups:

Backup files that you export are not encrypted. They contain the Homes you own and, if you choose, their photos. You decide where to save or send them.

Automatic backup saves a backup file each day in the App's private storage on your device.

Google Drive backup saves backups in a private app folder in your Google Drive, which only the App can access. Backups include a device name and a random device identifier, so the App can manage backups from each device. The App keeps the 3 newest automatic backups per device.

The App opts out of Android's automatic cloud backup and device-to-device transfer.

Notifications

Reminders are created on your device and may show item and Home names on your lock screen, depending on your device settings.

Keeping and deleting data

Delete your account

You can delete your account in the App: Settings > Account > Delete account. You can also email ppapps.dev@gmail.com from your account's email address, with the subject "Account deletion"; we delete the account within 30 days. A guest account has no email address, so you can delete it only in the App. Uninstalling the App does not delete your account or cancel a subscription; manage subscriptions in Google Play.

When you delete your account:

- your account, the Homes you own (with everything in them), your memberships and your saved list of people are deleted from our cloud database, and you are removed from other owners' lists of people;
- the people you shared your Homes with lose access to them;
- items and photos you added to a Home that someone else owns stay in that Home, because they belong to the owner's Home;
- your photos are deleted from our storage within about 8 days;
- the App clears its data on the device you delete from. Sign out on your other devices to clear them too;

- purchase records at our purchase provider and Google Play are kept, so that purchases can be managed and record-keeping rules met.

How long we keep data

Data on your device stays until you delete it, sign out, delete your account or uninstall the App. Signing out clears the App's data on that device but keeps your account.

Accounts and synced app data, including guest accounts, stay until you delete them. This includes your account identifier, email, name, hashed password (email sign-in only) and the date you last used the App.

Photos that are no longer used are deleted within about 8 days.

Technical logs at our cloud hosting provider (such as IP addresses and request times) are kept for 7 days.

Database backups are kept for 7 days and can contain deleted data until they expire.

Error reports are kept for up to 90 days.

Backup files on your device or in your Google Drive stay until you delete them. We cannot delete them for you.

Support emails and purchase records are kept as long as needed to answer requests, manage purchases and meet legal requirements.

Your rights and choices

You can view, edit and delete your app data in the App at any time. Depending on where you live, you may also have the right to:

- access the personal data we hold about you and get a copy in a portable format;
- correct inaccurate data;
- delete your data;
- restrict how we use it;
- complain to your local data protection authority.

Right to object

You can object at any time to our use of your data based on legitimate interests, such as error reports. Email us. We will stop unless we have compelling legitimate grounds or need the data for legal claims.

US state privacy laws

We collect identifiers (account identifier, email, name, IP address, random app and installation identifiers), commercial information (purchases), internet activity (action names, error reports) and content you add (app data, photos). We get them from you, your device, Google sign-in, and other users who add you to a Home. We disclose them to the providers above, to the members of Homes you share, and where the law requires, for the purposes in this policy. We do not sell or share personal information for cross-context behavioral advertising, and we do not use sensitive personal information for purposes that require an opt-out. You can ask to know, correct or delete your data, yourself or through an authorized agent. If we refuse a request, reply "Appeal" and we will answer within the legal time limit. We will not discriminate against you for using these rights. The App does not respond to "Do Not Track" signals, because it does not track you across apps or websites.

To make a request, email ppapps.dev@gmail.com. We may need to verify your identity. We answer within the time the law requires. Your rights are subject to legal exceptions.

Your choices

You can use the App as a guest without an email address. You can add items without scanning or typing a barcode, which avoids Open Food Facts lookups. You can deny the camera or notification permission and still use the rest of the App.

Security

We use encrypted connections (HTTPS) and access controls on our cloud database. Other Zapas users can read your synced app data only through Homes you share. We and our hosting providers can access it to run the service. The App does not use end-to-end encryption and does not separately encrypt its local database. Synced photos can be opened by anyone with their direct link, as described above. No service can guarantee complete security; this does not limit your legal rights or our legal responsibilities.

Children

The App is for a general audience and is not directed at children under 13. You must be at least 13, or older where your local law requires. We do not knowingly collect personal data from children under 13. If you believe a child has given us personal data, contact us and we will delete it.

Changes to this policy

We may update this policy. When we do, we change the date at the top. Where the law requires it, we will give you additional notice or ask for your consent.

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