

Block Channels & Sync — Privacy Policy

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This policy describes version 1.0.0 of Block Channels & Sync, published by Stef Labs. The extension helps you hide YouTube channels you choose and synchronise your blocklist across Chrome browsers.

Information the extension handles

The extension reads channel names, channel IDs, channel links and relevant video links on YouTube pages to identify channels and hide blocked content. It stores the channels you explicitly block, including their IDs, names, aliases, the date they were blocked and a source marker, together with the extension's settings.

The extension does not maintain a viewing-history log or collect analytics for the developer. It does not collect passwords, payment information, health information or personal communications.

Storage and synchronisation

Your blocklist and settings are stored through Chrome's extension storage API, `chrome.storage.sync`. When Chrome Sync is enabled, Google synchronises this information between Chrome browsers signed into the same account. Google's handling of Chrome Sync information is governed by Google's policies and your Chrome settings. The developer does not operate a server that receives your blocklist.

Requests to YouTube

When necessary to identify a channel you choose to block, the extension requests channel or video pages or YouTube's `oEmbed` endpoint. YouTube receives these requests and their normal connection information. Some page requests use your existing YouTube session; the extension does not read or store your password or session cookies.

If the optional native-feedback setting is enabled, the extension also attempts YouTube's "Don't recommend channel" command after you explicitly press Block Channel. YouTube processes that feedback under its own policies. You can disable this option in the extension's settings.

Backups and your controls

Export backup creates a JSON file on your device containing your blocklist. Import backup reads a file you select and merges its channel records into your blocklist. These files are not uploaded to a developer-operated service. Anyone you share a backup with can read its contents.

You can remove channel records using Unblock in the manager. Those removals are written to Chrome Sync. You control Chrome synchronisation in Chrome's settings. Exported backups remain wherever you saved them until you delete them yourself. Uninstalling the extension stops its operation; Google's retention and synchronisation behaviour is controlled by Chrome and Google.

Use and sharing

Information is used only to provide channel blocking, blocklist management, synchronisation, backups and optional YouTube feedback. The extension does not sell user data, transfer it for unrelated purposes, use it for advertising, or use it to determine creditworthiness or for lending. The developer does not receive the data handled by these features.

Changes and contact

This policy will be updated if the extension's handling of information changes. For privacy questions, contact Stef Labs at steflabs10@gmail.com.

Block Channels & Sync is independent of YouTube and Google and is not endorsed by them.