

In order to make it work using Expo you need to replace react-native-device-info dependency.

1. Create react-native-device-info.js file in root with following content. Requires expo-constants dependency. If you target iOS then you also need to ensure you add a bundleIdentifier to the ios section of your expo config.

```
import Constants from "expo-constants"

export const getBundleId = () => {
  return Constants.expoConfig?.ios?.bundleIdentifier ?? "";
}
export const getVersion = () => {
  return Constants.expoConfig?.version
}
export default {
  getBundleId,
  getVersion,
};
```

2. Add alias to module-resolver configuration in babel.config.js

```
plugins: [
  [
    'module-resolver',
    {
      root: ['.'],
      alias: {
        'react-native-device-info': './react-native-device-info.js'
      }
    }
  ],
  ...
]
```

3. And in [App.tsx/App.js](#)

```
import SpInAppUpdates, { IAUUpdateKind, StartUpdateOptions, }
  'sp-react-native-in-app-updates';
import { getBundleId, getVersion } from './react-native-device-info';

const initializeInAppUpdates = async () => {
  const inAppUpdates = new SpInAppUpdates(false);
```

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    return inAppUpdates;
};

initializeInAppUpdates().then(inAppUpdates => {
// Retrieve bundle ID and version using utility functions
    const bundleId = getBundleId();
    const version = getVersion();

    inAppUpdates.checkNeedsUpdate({ curVersion: version }).then((result) => {
    if (result.shouldUpdate) {
        let updateOptions = {};
        if (Platform.OS === 'android') {
            updateOptions = {
                updateType: IAUUpdateKind.FLEXIBLE,
            };
        }
        inAppUpdates.startUpdate(updateOptions);
    }
    });
    }).catch(error => {
        console.error('Error initializing in-app updates:', error);
    });
};

```

4. In app.json

```

"Infoplist": {
    "LSApplicationQueriesSchemes": ["item-apps"]
}

```

After that follow these steps :-

- Enable internal app sharing (google it) on your android device
- Create a release apk (or aab) with the lower version of your app (i.e version 100)
- Create a release apk (or aab) with the higher version of your app (i.e version 101)
- Upload both apk's to internal app sharing
- Install the version 100 on your device.
- Open the internal app sharing link of version 101 on your device but DON'T install it
- Open the installed (100) version of the app, and make sure that your code works (that you see an update popup)