

WhatsApp

Release Notes



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Introduction

Welcome to the latest update of WhatsApp! This release brings exciting new features and improvements to enhance your messaging experience.

We've added the Meta AI Widget and new playback speed controls for video enthusiasts. Android users will see a better text status screen with new fonts and colors to personalize their updates.

We've resolved several issues including status layout alignment problems, contact refresh delays, and message count inaccuracies. However, a couple of known issues remain with image preview resolution in channels and potential call interference between WhatsApp calls and GSM calls.

Thank you for being part of the WhatsApp community. We're constantly working to improve your experience and appreciate your feedback!

What's New

Platform: Android

- **Meta AI Widget**

You can now add Meta AI widget on your phone home screen. The Widget works as a shortcut and lets you chat with Meta AI directly from your phone's home screen.

Note: You need to configure create permissions for Meta AI widget while using in a custom third-party launcher.

Platform: Android and iOS

- **Change Video Playback Speed**

You can now change the playback speed for videos while viewing within App. This option is available next to the video seek bar and has speed options such as 0.5x, 0.75x, 1x, 1.25x, 1.5x, 1.75x, and 2x. The videos with longer duration can now be watched with varying speeds.

Enhancements

Platform: Android

- **Text Status Screen Improved**

The text status update screen is improved with different fonts and colour options at the bottom. With this option, you can now customize your text updates seamlessly.

Fixed Issues

- ENTER-2345: You can view status updates of your contacts aligned in a proper layout. Previously, the layout was not properly aligned in the screen and it changed based on the content posted on the status updates.
- EXL-5260: The newly added contacts appear instantly in your contact list. Previously, contacts were updated at set time intervals.
- TYD-5690: The unread message count on lists is now displayed correctly. Previously, these counts didn't match the actual number of messages.

Known Issues

- ENTER-2895: Image previews in WhatsApp groups have reduced resolution and differ from those in individual chats.

Scenario

Images sent in groups appear lower in quality than the original. Previews also vary between chats and groups, affecting clarity.

Workaround

Send images as documents to prevent compression or ask recipients to open them in full resolution.

- TYD-5690: Incoming GSM calls are missed while on a WhatsApp call.

Scenario

When engaged in a WhatsApp call, incoming GSM calls to the mobile phone do not ring and are automatically missed.

Workaround

Enable call waiting in phone settings to receive GSM call notifications. Alternatively, end the WhatsApp call to check for missed calls.