

1. We should confirm that they are following our guidelines for syncing contacts (Save Contacts) on Outlook for iOS to multiple iOS devices as outlined below.

<https://www.oesupportweb.com/a/outlook-mobile/?p=all&s=people&f=how-do-i-save-my-outlook-contacts-to-my-ios-contacts-app>

How do I save my Outlook contacts to my iOS contacts app?

To save Outlook contacts to your native address book:

First go to Device Settings > Contacts and confirm that the “Default Account” is set to “iCloud”. If you do not see this setting that is OK, the setting should only be available if you have more than one account added to your device. If there is no account connected to the device, then your Outlook contacts will be saved locally but will not be synced to other devices.

Second, open Outlook for iOS and in the left nav view open the Settings gear > Select your account > Toggle ON the “Save Contacts” toggle.

Saved contacts will be added under the contacts in your iCloud account. These contacts will sync to all devices which are signed in with the same iCloud account. Note: You can only export contacts from one device at a time.

If a user has contact-export turned on both their iPad and iPhone one will need to be disabled so that we are able to manage conflicts. Duplicates can take up to 24 hours to be reconciled.

2. Also with iOS there are limitations imposed on our app since iOS 11.3 when the device is MDM managed. These restrictions can cause either no contacts to sync or duplications to occur if the MDM controls are not being applied properly. These restrictions can be found in the following articles along with the steps to address that with both Intune and other MDM's.

Limit access to contacts on managed devices:

<https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT208749>

In iOS 11.3 and later, use MDM to prevent unmanaged destinations from accessing contacts associated with managed sources. The following restrictions apply to contacts:

- Documents from managed sources appear in unmanaged destinations
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As a result of this change, these restrictions prevent unmanaged apps from accessing contacts from managed accounts, and prevent managed apps from saving contacts to the local Contacts app.

Support Tip: Enabling Outlook iOS Contact Sync with iOS12 MDM Controls

<https://techcommunity.microsoft.com/t5/intune-customer-success/support-tip-enabling-outlook-ios-contact-sync-with-ios12-mdm/ba-p/298453>

Enabling Save Contacts

For enrolled devices, either of the following device restriction configurations will enable Outlook iOS to save contacts into the native iOS Contacts app:

iOS user friendly control name	Control name	Control value
Opening documents from managed to unmanaged apps not allowed	allowOpenFromManagedToUnmanaged	false
Opening documents from unmanaged to managed apps allowed	allowOpenFromUnmanagedToManaged	true
Managed apps write to unmanaged contacts allowed	allowManagedToWriteUnmanagedContacts	true

If they are using Intune as their MDM, Intune will allow this via an iOS Device Configuration with the following in the policy.

Allow unmanaged apps to read from managed contacts accounts ⓘ	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> Not configured
Treat AirDrop as an unmanaged destination ⓘ	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> Not configured
Block viewing non-corporate documents in corporate apps	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Not configured
Device enrollment and automated device enrollment		
These settings work for devices that were enrolled in Intune through device enrollment, and for devices enrolled using Apple School Manager or Apple Business Manager with automated device enrollment (formerly DEP). This includes all supervised devices.		
Require iTunes Store password for all purchases ⓘ	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Not configured
Block in-app purchases	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Not configured
Block download of explicit sexual content in Apple Books ⓘ	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Not configured
Allow managed apps to write contacts to unmanaged contacts accounts ⓘ	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> Not configured

An easy way to check is to tap the export button when viewing an attachment (top right) and see if non-Microsoft apps are hidden from the app suggestions. The MDM config to block sharing disables all data export on the device (including save contacts).