

GPG Telegram Bot Command Reference Card

Key Management Commands

Command	Syntax	Description	Example
<code>/createkey</code>	<code>/createkey</code> <code><name> <email></code>	Creates a new GPG key pair that expires in 1 day. Returns the public key as a file.	<code>/createkey Alice</code> <code>alice@example.com</code>
<code>/importkey</code>	<code>/importkey</code> (with attached key file)	Imports someone else's public key. You must attach the key file to this message.	Send <code>/importkey</code> with a .asc file attached
<code>/listkeys</code>	<code>/listkeys</code>	Shows all public keys currently available to the bot, with their fingerprints and expiration dates.	<code>/listkeys</code>

Messaging Commands

Command	Syntax	Description	Example
<code>/encrypt</code>	<code>/encrypt <fingerprint></code> <code><message></code>	Encrypts your message using the specified key fingerprint and sends it to the recipient.	<code>/encrypt</code> <code>A1B2C3D4E5F6 This is</code> <code>a secret message</code>
<code>/decrypt</code>	<code>/decrypt</code> (as reply) or <code>/decrypt <encrypted_text></code>	Decrypts an encrypted message. Works best when used as a reply to an encrypted message.	Reply to an encrypted message with <code>/decrypt</code>

General Behavior

- **Regular Messages:** Any message you send that is not a command will be forwarded to the predefined recipient unencrypted.
- **Encrypted Messages:** Appear with 🔒 emoji prefix.
- **Decrypted Messages:** Appear with 🔓 emoji prefix.
- **Key Expiration:** All keys created with `/createkey` expire after 1 day.

Workflow Example

1. **Create key:** `/createkey YourName your@email.com`
2. **Share the key file** with the person who wants to send you encrypted messages
3. **Import their key:** Use `/importkey` with their key file attached
4. **Send encrypted message:** `/encrypt THEIR_FINGERPRINT Your secret message`
5. **Decrypt received message:** Reply to an encrypted message with `/decrypt`

Important Notes

- The bot must be running on your computer for these commands to work
- All encrypted messages are forwarded to the recipient defined in the script
- Keys are stored in `~/.gnupg` on your Linux system