



IT management of ViewSonic devices with a simple dashboard

Messages

Broadcast **messages** to devices from within the Manager console, with options to send urgent messages and to control the duration of the broadcast.

MANAGER ADVANCED BROADCASTING

With Manager Advanced devices, broadcast **media**, such as **images**, **videos**, media **playlists**, and **web pages**.

Learn more about **Advanced broadcasting with layouts**
(<https://myviewboard.com/kb/manager/broadcasting/layouts>).

Broadcasting basics



Send broadcasts (including Advanced broadcast features) from any device list page.

Available broadcasting features

For basic Manager users, the following broadcast options are available:

- Send **text messages** to devices.
 - Message appears as a banner at the top of device screens.
- Send **urgent messages** to devices.
 - Message takes up the entirety of a screen and can only be terminated from the Manager console.
 - Have the option to accompany the message with a **siren sound**.
- Set the **duration** of the broadcast.
- Set whether the device **user can terminate the broadcast**.
 - If left unchecked, the device user can tap a button on the screen to end the broadcast.
- **Stop broadcasting**.


Starting a broadcast

1. On the  **All Devices** page, select one or more devices in the list.
2. Press the **Broadcast**  button.
3. Select your desired broadcast type (only **Message** type available for basic Manager users).
4. Select your message type **Standard** or **Urgent**.
5. Input or insert the content to be broadcast.
6. Select whether the broadcast will be **Continuous** or set the broadcast duration to a **Custom** time.
 - a. Continuous: The broadcast will display on receiving devices until device users stop the broadcast or a Manager user stops the broadcast.
 - b. Custom: Set the intended duration of the broadcast after selecting this option.
7. (Optional) Check the **Forbid device user from stopping broadcast** option to prohibit device users from having the option to stop a broadcast.
 - *Note:* If this option is not checked, device users will be able to stop a broadcast, no matter if a **Continuous** or **Custom** broadcast is set.
 - *Note:* However, this option is not available for **urgent broadcasts**.


8. After you have set up all desired options, press **OK** to start the broadcast.

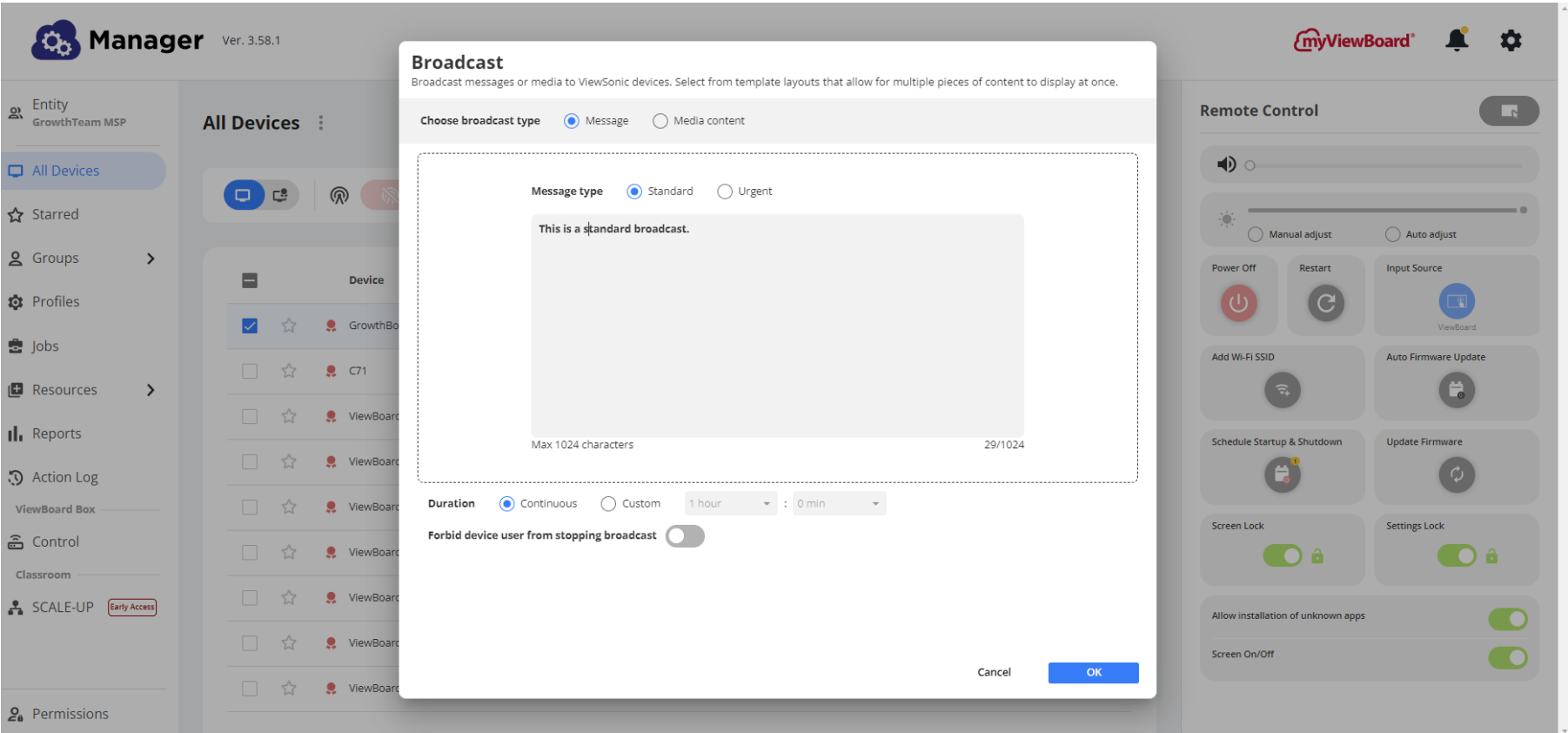
Stopping a broadcast

The following steps describe how to stop a broadcast through the Manager console:

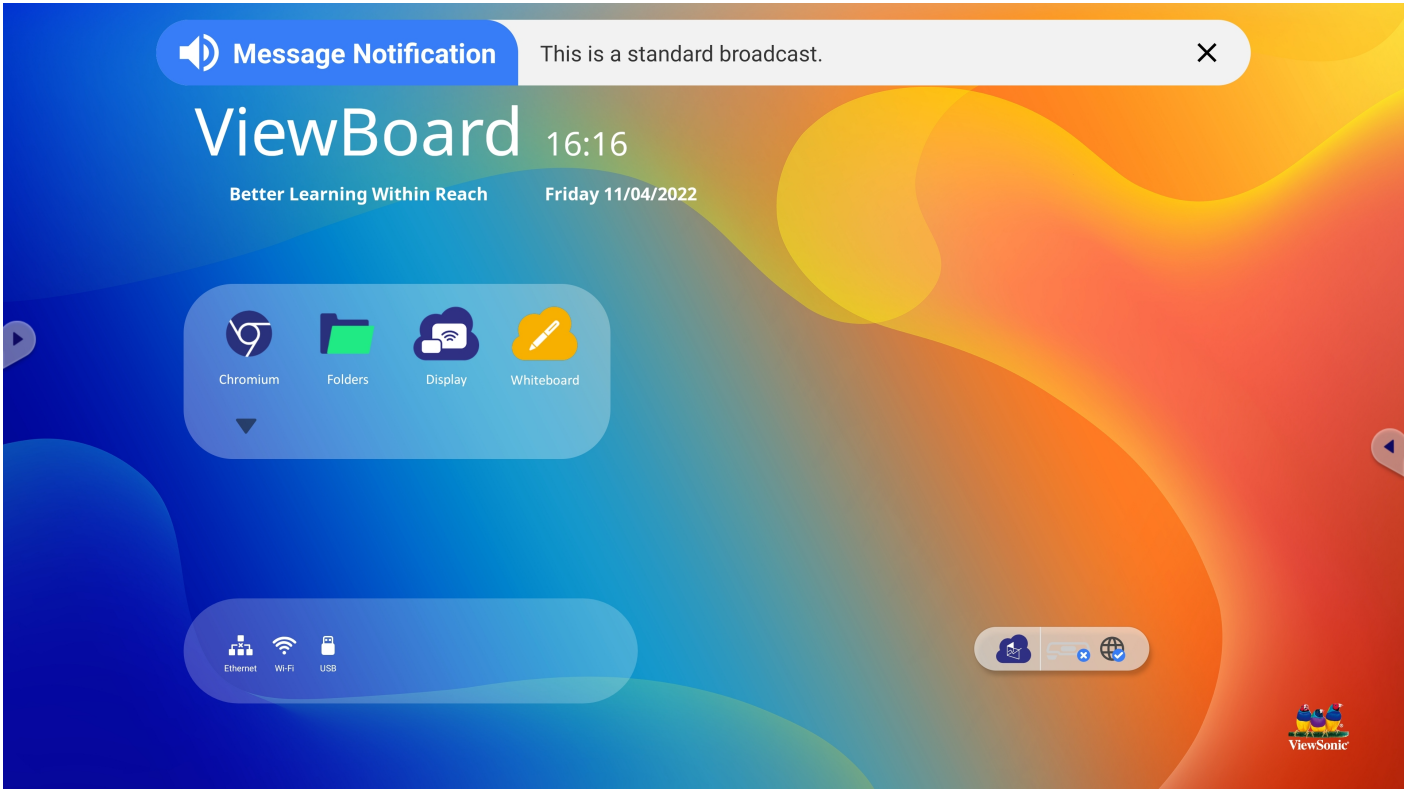
- 1. On the **All Devices** page, select the devices on the list on which you want to stop a broadcast.
 - *Tip:* You can quickly identify current broadcasting devices by sorting the **Status** column. Devices currently broadcasting display ● in this column.
- 2. In the toolbar above the device list, press **Stop Broadcasting** .
- 3. Confirm, and broadcasts will stop on these devices.

Broadcasting a message

- 1. On the **All Devices** page, select one or more devices in the list.
- 2. Press the **Broadcast** button  to open the Broadcast a Message prompt.
- 3. Choose **Message** as broadcast type
- 4. Select a message type.
- 5. Input your desired message.
- 6. Select the duration of the broadcast.
- 7. (Optional) Check the **Forbid device user from stopping broadcast** box if you wish to forbid the device user from manually ending the broadcast. Otherwise, they can do so by tapping the screen.
- 8. Press **OK** to broadcast.





Send messages to devices in real-time. Note the option to forbid device users from stopping the broadcast. Multimedia and playlists can be broadcast to devices with a Manager Advanced license.



Example of a Standard message on a ViewBoard. Urgent messages will, instead, overlay the entire screen.

Broadcasting an urgent message

1. On the  **All Devices** page, select one or more devices on the list.
2. Press the **Broadcast** button  to open the text broadcast prompt.
3. Choose **Message** as broadcast type.
4. Select **Urgent** message type.
5. Input your desired message.
6. Select the duration of the broadcast.
7. (Optional) Check the **Siren** box to accompany the message with a siren sound.
8. Press **OK** to broadcast.

FUNCTIONALITY OF URGENT MESSAGES

Urgent messages take up the entire device's screen with a red background. Additionally, device users will not be able to terminate the broadcast. It can only be terminated from Manager.

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