



LinkedIn

Reporting Guide

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LinkedIn is a social media platform that allows for professionals all over the world to connect and share their skills. It can help people find jobs, events, and is used by employees and employers alike.

LinkedIn is the world's largest professional network, with over half a billion members. In 2012, LinkedIn suffered a breach resulting in nearly 6.5 million stolen user passwords. The company were criticized for the way they stored passwords. One year later, LinkedIn added a two-factor authentication function to improve user security. Usernames and passwords obtained in the 2012 breach were still being sold, as seen in 2016 and again in 2018. It is believed the initial estimate of users compromised was underestimated.

Sometimes you might see something on LinkedIn that doesn't belong. These things can relate to false information, scams, or even harassment.

These bad practices can be mitigated through reporting and blocking. Below you will find a series of steps you can follow to create a safer and more honest online environment for yourself and all of us!

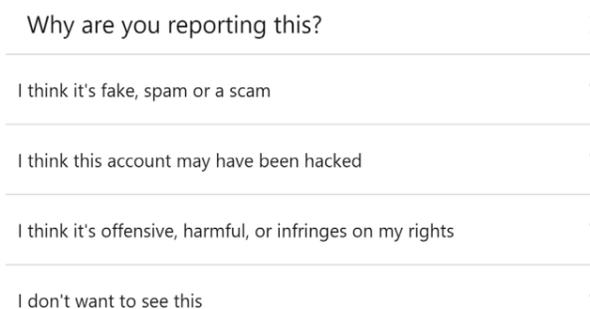
Note: please be aware that these screenshots may not appear the same on different devices

Posts

If you spot a post you don't think should be on LinkedIn, then you should locate the three dots which are normally situated at the top right of the post. See the screenshot below.



After clicking the three dots a small menu will appear. Select the "Report this post" option. Next you should see the following menu.



Choose the option you think best relates to the post. You will be able to go into more detail on each of these options. Choose the option that suits best and select "submit".

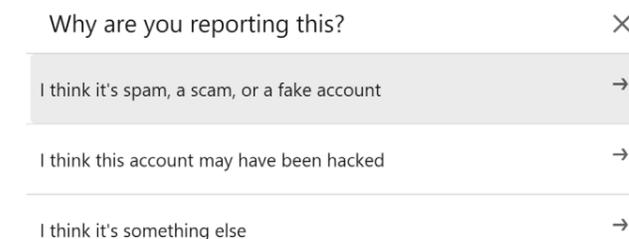
Do this at your own judgment!

Comments

To report a comment, once again look for the three dots which are located to the right of the comment. See the screenshot below.



Of the options presented, select "Report", and you should be presented with the following menu.



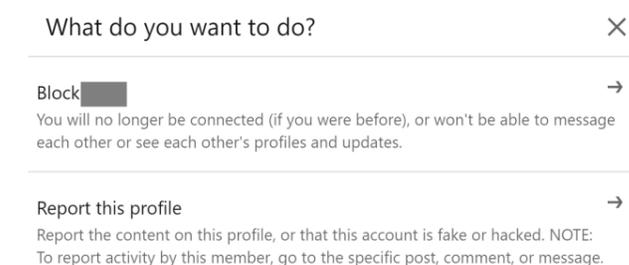
Like before, you can choose the option you think best relates to the post. You will be able to go into more detail on each of these options. Choose the option that suits best and select "submit".

Profiles

If there is someone on LinkedIn that you want to block or report, you can go onto their profile and select the "More..." option to the right.



Upon clicking this, you can select the "Report / Block" option and should see the following menu.



From here, you can choose to block the account and choose your reason for reporting the profile. Choose the option that suits best and select "submit".

Jobs

If you spot a job that shouldn't be on LinkedIn, or one that looks suspicious, you can report it by locating the three dots to the right.



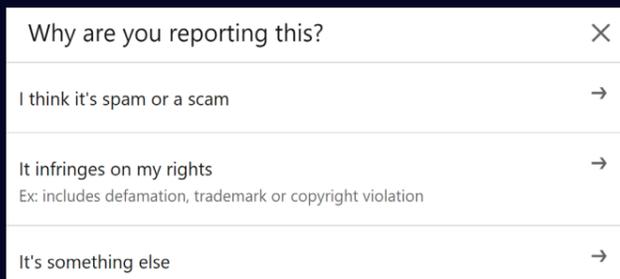
From there, you can select "Report this job", and should be met with the following.



You can select the option you believe suits best for the job you are reporting.

Groups

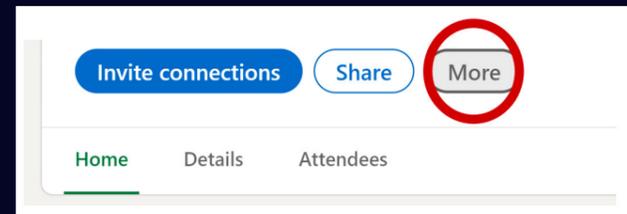
If you see a group that you believe is participating in malicious online practices, you can report these groups. In the group, locate the three dots which can be found underneath the banner photo on the right-hand side of the screen. Upon clicking, select "Report this group" and you should see the following menu.



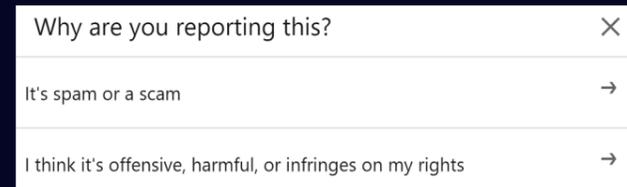
Please select the option which you believe best suits the group you are reporting.

Events

To report an event, click the "More" option located under the banner photo and above the details section. Please see the screenshot below for reference.



From here, you can select "Report the event", and choose which option suits best out of the options shown below.



Private Messages

If you are receiving messages that you don't want to see, you can report the conversation by clicking on the three dots at the top right of the message and selecting "report".



From there, you can choose what reason for reporting suits best and select submit. Please see the screenshot below for reference.

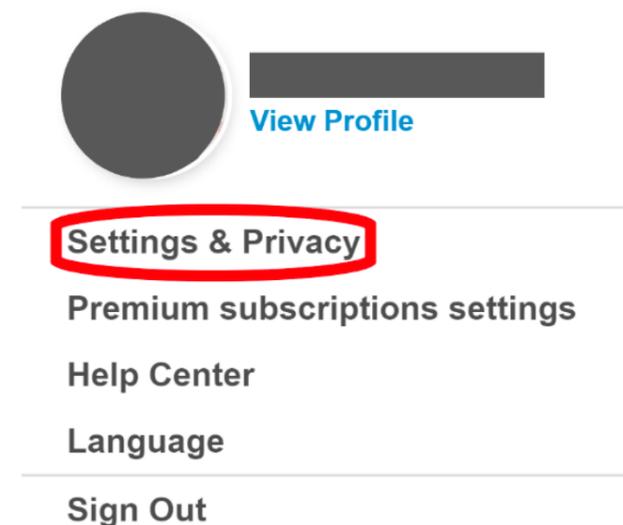


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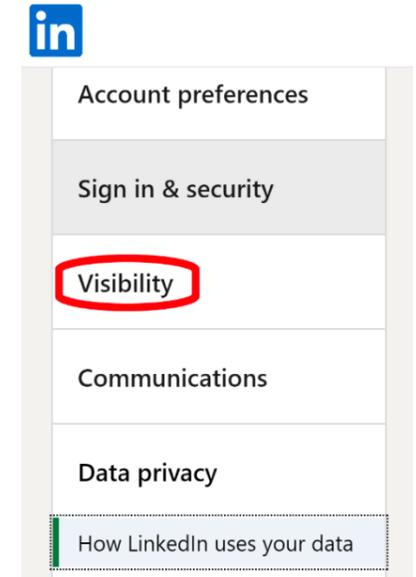
Private and Semi-Private Mode

While viewing profiles in private mode, you show up on other users' profiles as LinkedIn Member. Your name, and other information about you will not be shared. Semi-private mode can also be used, which shows only your job title, company, school, and industry. This guide demonstrates how to set your LinkedIn account to private or semi-private mode on desktop and mobile.

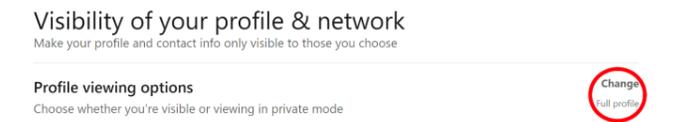
Firstly, click on your profile icon on the top right of your screen, and select the Settings & Privacy option.



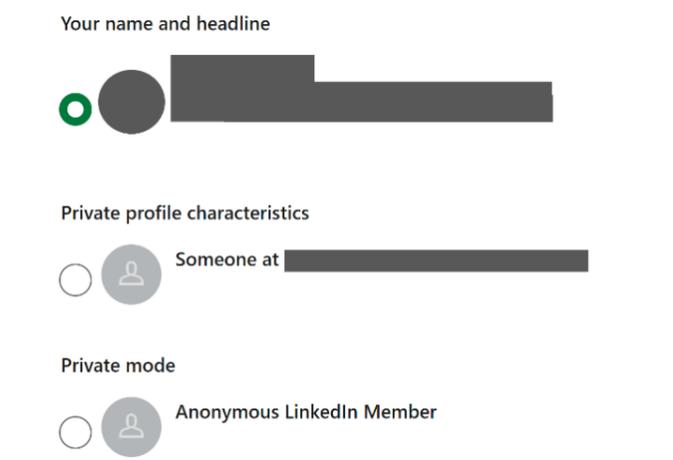
From there, navigate to the Visibility section on the left-hand side.



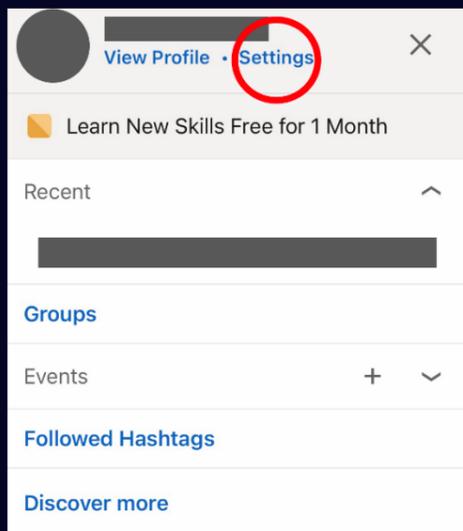
Click on the Change option for the Profile Viewing Options section.



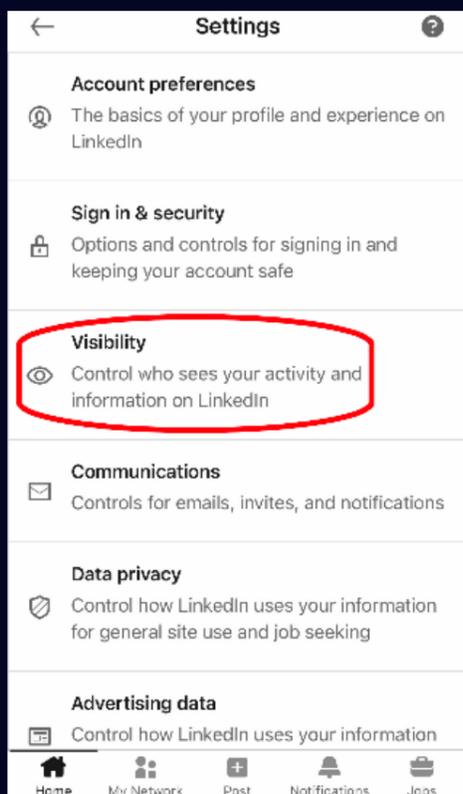
Finally, you can change how your profile is viewed, either in public, semi-private, or private mode.



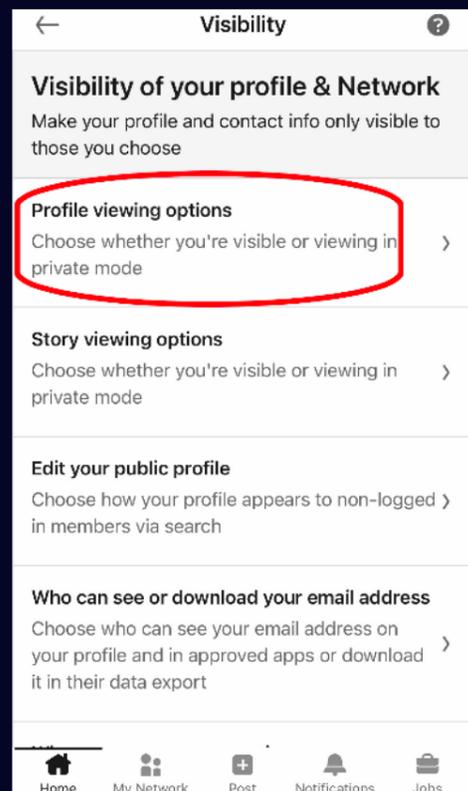
To change browsing mode on the mobile application, the process is very similar. Firstly, navigate to your profile and tap the Settings option.



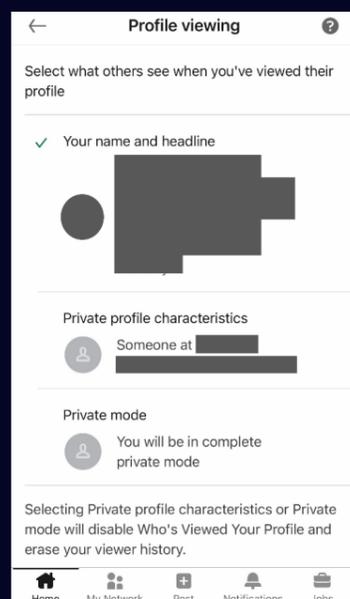
Next, tap on the Visibility section.



From there, tap on the Profile Viewing Options section.

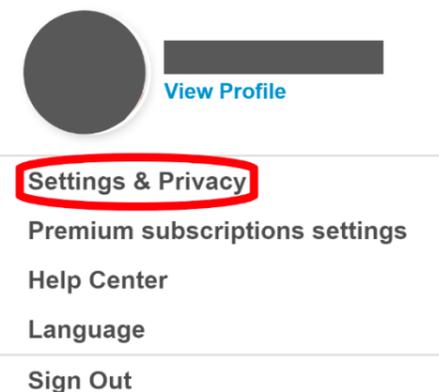


You will then be able to choose which viewing mode you want for your profile. Public, semi-private, or private.



Where to Find the Privacy Section & Policy

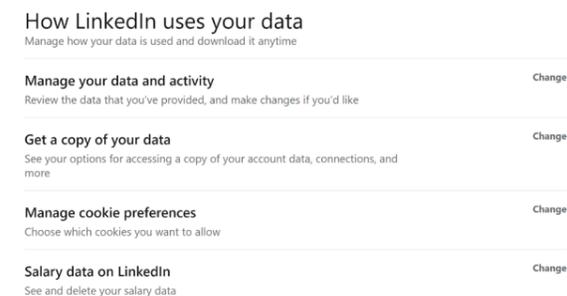
To view the data privacy section on your LinkedIn account, navigate to your profile and select the Settings & Privacy option.



Then, navigate to the Data Privacy section on the left-hand side of the screen.



From there, you can access your privacy settings and preferences, view your search history, and receive a copy of all data LinkedIn stored about you.



The LinkedIn Privacy Policy can be found by searching "LinkedIn Privacy Policy" on your search engine, or by typing "https://www.linkedin.com/legal/privacy-policy" in your URL bar. It contains information on the data LinkedIn collect on users and how they use the data. A video on the privacy policy can also be viewed.

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