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Dear Google User,

We are writing to let you know that we recently announced new storage policies for Google Accounts using [Gmail](#), [Google Drive](#) (including Google Docs, Sheets, Slides, Drawings, Forms, and Jamboard files) and/or [Google Photos](#) that bring us in line with industry practices. Since you have previously used one or more of these products in your [Google Account storage](#), we wanted to tell you about the new policies well before they go into effect on June 1, 2021. Below is a summary of the new policies. Please reference our [Help Center article](#) for a complete list of what's changing.

### Summary of the new policies (effective June 1, 2021):

- If you're [inactive](#) for 2 years (24 months) in Gmail, Drive or Photos, we may delete the content in the product(s) in which you're inactive. [Google One](#) members who are within their storage quota and in [good-standing](#) will not be impacted by this new inactive policy.
- If you exceed your storage limit for 2 years, we may delete your content across Gmail, Drive and Photos.

### What this means for you:

- You won't be impacted by these changes unless you've been inactive or over your storage limit for 2 years. As this policy goes into effect June 1, 2021, the earliest it would be enforced is June 1, 2023.

- After June 1, 2021, if you are either inactive or over your storage limit, we will send you email reminders and notifications in advance and prior to deleting any content.
- Even if you are either inactive or over your storage limit for one or more of these services and content is deleted, you will still be able to sign in.
- **Note:** The inactivity and over quota storage policies will apply only to consumer users of Google services. Google Workspace, G Suite for Education and G Suite for Nonprofits policies are not changing at this time, and admins should look to the [Admin Help center](#) for storage policies related to their subscriptions.

## Learn more about how to keep your account active

- To learn more about how to remain active with these products, visit this [Help Center page](#).
- The [Inactive Account Manager](#) can help you manage specific content and notify a trusted contact if you stop using your Google Account for a certain period of time (between 3-18 months). Note: the new 2 year inactive policy will apply regardless of your Inactive Account Manager settings. You can learn more about these changes and ways to manage your or a loved one's account in our [Help Center](#).

## Learn how to manage your storage

- Learn more about the [over quota policy](#) and what counts against [storage quota](#).
- You can use the free storage manager in the [Google One app](#) and [on the web](#) to see how you're using your Google Account storage, and free up space across Gmail, Google Drive, and Google Photos.

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