How to Clear Your Browser's Cookies

This wikiHow teaches you how to clear your browser's cookie cache. Cookies are pieces of saved data in your browser that help inform the content you see, such as ads, certain webpage text, and autofill information.

Method 1 Chrome on Desktop

1. Open Google Chrome. It's a red, yellow, green, and blue circular icon.

2. Click \( \cdots \). You'll see this icon in the top-right corner of the Chrome browser.

3. Click \( \text{ Settings } \). It's near the bottom of the drop-down menu.

4. Scroll down and click \( \text{ Show advanced settings} \). This link is at the bottom of the page.

5. Click \( \text{ Clear browsing data } \). You'll see this option below the "Privacy" heading.

6. Make sure the "Cookies and other site and plugin data" box is checked. You can uncheck every other box on this page if you like, but the "Cookies and other site and plugin data" box must be checked.

7. Make sure the beginning of time is selected. In the box near the top of the window, you'll see a box with a time span (e.g., "the past hour") listed. If this box doesn't display the "the beginning of time" option, click the box and then select it.

8. Click \( \text{ Clear browsing history} \). It's in the bottom-right corner of the window. Doing so will remove all of your browser's cookies.

Method 2 Chrome on Mobile

1. Open Google Chrome. This app is white with the Google Chrome icon on it.

2. Tap \( \text{ } \). It's in the top-right corner of the screen.

3. Tap \( \text{ Settings } \). This option is at the bottom of the drop-down menu.

4. Tap \( \text{ Privacy } \). It's in the "Advanced" section of options near the bottom of the page.

5. Tap \( \text{ Clear Browsing Data} \). It's the last option on this page.

6. Make sure \( \text{ Cookies, Site Data } \) is checked. You can uncheck every other item on the Clear Browsing Data page if you like, but this option must be checked in order to clear your browser's cookies.

7. Tap \( \text{ Clear Browsing Data} \). It's the red-text button below the browsing data area.
Method 3  
Safari on Mobile

1. Open your iPhone's Settings. It's a grey app with gears that you'll likely find on the Home Screen.
   - This process will also work on an iPad or an iPod touch.

2. Scroll down and tap Safari. It's roughly a third of the way down the Settings page.

3. Scroll down and tap Advanced. It's at the very bottom of the page.

4. Tap Website Data. You'll see this option at the top of the page.

5. Tap Remove All Website Data. It's a red button at the bottom of the page.

6. Tap Remove Now when prompted. This will delete all cookies from the Safari browser.

Method 4  
Safari on Desktop

1. Open Safari. It's a blue, compass-shaped app on your Mac's dock.

2. Click Safari. This menu is in the far-left corner of your Mac's menu bar.

3. Click Preferences. It's in the Safari drop-down menu.

4. Click Privacy. This tab is at the top of the Preferences window.

5. Click Remove All Website Data. It's a button in the middle of the page.

6. Click Remove Now when prompted. Doing so will remove the cookies from your Safari browser.

Method 5  
Firefox on Desktop

1. Open Firefox. Firefox resembles a blue globe with an orange fox wrapped about it.

2. Click ☢️. It's in the top-right corner of the Firefox browser window.

3. Click Options. This button has a gear icon above it.

4. Click the Privacy tab. It's on the left side of the page.

5. Click remove individual cookies. This link is below the "History" heading in the middle of the page.

6. Click Remove All. It's at the bottom of the Cookies window. Doing so will automatically delete your Firefox cookies.

Method 6  
Firefox on Mobile
1. **Open Firefox.** It's the blue globe with an orange fox icon.

2. **Tap [≡].** This option is in the bottom-center of the screen.

3. **Tap [Settings].** It's on the right side of the pop-up menu.

4. **Scroll down and tap [Clear Private Data].** This option is in the "Privacy" group of settings.

5. **Make sure the switch next to "Cookies" is orange.** If it isn't, tap the switch to include cookies in the private data clearing.
   - You can disable every other type of data on this page if you only want to clear cookies.

6. **Tap [Clear Private Data].** It's at the bottom of the screen.

7. **Tap [OK] when prompted.** Doing so will remove all of your cookies from Firefox.

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**Method 7: Microsoft Edge**

1. **Open Microsoft Edge.** It's a white "e" on a blue background.

2. **Click [⋯].** This icon is in the top-right corner of the Edge window.

3. **Click [Settings].** It's at the bottom of the pop-out menu.

4. **Click [Choose what to clear].** This option is below the "Clear browsing data" heading about halfway down the Settings menu.

5. **Make sure the "Cookies and saved website data" box is checked.** This is the option that will clear your Edge browser's cookies; you can uncheck every other box on this menu if you like.

6. **Click [Clear].** It's below the different types of data. Doing so will clear your browser's cookies.

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**Method 8: Internet Explorer**

1. **Open Internet Explorer.** It's a light-blue "e" icon.

2. **Click [○].** This icon is in the top-right corner of the Internet Explorer window. Clicking it prompts a drop-down menu.

3. **Click [Internet options].** You'll find it toward the bottom of the drop-down menu.

4. **Click [Delete⋯].** It's below the "Browsing history" heading near the middle of the Internet Options window.

5. **Make sure the "Cookies and website data" box is checked.** You can uncheck every other box on this page, but the "Cookies and website data" box must be checked in order to delete your cookies.

6. **Click [Delete].** This button is at the bottom of the window. Doing so will delete your Internet Explorer cookies.

Click [OK] to exit Internet Options. Your browser's cookies have been cleared.