

How to Manage and Delete Stickers on iOS, iPadOS, and macOS

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Quick answer

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Stickers in Apple Devices

Apple provides multiple ways to create stickers:

- Custom Stickers - Created from images, Live Photos, and Genmoji.
- Memoji Stickers - Personalized Animoji-based stickers.
- Third-Party Sticker Packs - Installed from the App Store.
- Emoji Stickers - Regular emoji used as stickers.

All custom stickers are stored in the Stickers app within the Messages app, while third-party stickers are managed through the App Store.

How to Delete Stickers from iPhone and iPad

1. Deleting Custom Stickers from the Stickers App

1. Open the Messages app and select any conversation.
2. Tap the Apps (?) button and choose Stickers.
3. Navigate to the Live tab (appears like a peeling sticker).
4. Long-press the sticker you want to remove.
5. Tap Delete from the pop-up menu.
6. The sticker will disappear instantly.

To delete multiple stickers at once:

1. Long-press any sticker and choose Rearrange.
2. Tap the (-) Delete button for each sticker you want to remove.
3. Tap anywhere to exit the editor.

2. Deleting Custom Stickers via Emoji Keyboard

1. Open any app with a text field (e.g., Messages, Notes).

2. Tap the Emoji icon on the keyboard.
3. Go to the Live tab (peeling sticker icon).
4. Long-press the sticker you want to delete.
5. Select Delete from the pop-up menu.

For multiple deletions, tap Rearrange and remove unwanted stickers by tapping the (-) Delete button.

3. Deleting Memoji Stickers

Since Memoji Stickers are linked to Animoji, you need to delete their corresponding Animoji:

1. Open Messages and go to Memoji Stickers.
2. Find the Memoji you want to delete.
3. Tap Edit, then Delete Memoji.

Alternatively, you can hide Memoji Stickers by disabling them under Settings > General > Keyboard.

4. Removing Third-Party Sticker Packs

1. Open Messages, then tap Apps (?).
2. Scroll to the right and tap Edit.
3. Find the sticker app and tap the (-) Remove button.
4. Confirm deletion to remove the sticker pack.

To permanently remove a sticker pack, delete the app from your iPhone:

1. Long-press the app icon on the home screen.
2. Tap Remove App > Delete App.

How to Delete Stickers on macOS

1. Removing Stickers from the Stickers App

1. Open Messages and select any chat.
2. Click the Apps (?) button, then select Stickers.
3. Navigate to the Live tab.
4. Right-click or Control-click the sticker.
5. Select Delete from the pop-up menu.

2. Deleting Stickers from the Emoji Keyboard on Mac

1. Open the Emoji keyboard using:
 - The Globe (?) button on your keyboard.
 - Edit > Emoji & Symbols in the menu bar.
 - Clicking the Emoji & Symbols icon in the menu bar.
2. Switch to the Live tab.
3. Right-click the sticker and choose Delete.

How to Delete Stickers on WhatsApp

WhatsApp allows users to manage stickers separately. Follow these steps to delete them:

1. Deleting Sticker Packs

1. Open WhatsApp and navigate to any chat.

2. Tap the Sticker icon next to the text field.
3. Tap the + icon, then go to My Stickers.
4. Tap the Trash icon next to the sticker pack.
5. Confirm by tapping Delete.

2. Removing Stickers from Recent

1. Open WhatsApp and go to a chat.
2. Tap the Sticker icon.
3. Long-press the sticker you want to remove.
4. Select Remove.

Keeping Your Sticker Collection Organized

By following these steps, you can efficiently manage your sticker collection across iOS, iPadOS, macOS, and WhatsApp. Keeping stickers organized ensures a cleaner, more personalized messaging experience without unnecessary clutter.