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These apps that have been developed and are required to be installed on our phones often need the user to accept the terms and conditions for various legal reasons. The apps generally ask for access to your contact list, location, audio and photos. It is strongly advised that you grasp the concept of what this means. For example, would you allow a stranger to walk up to you in the street, take your phone and start browsing through your photos; text messages even emails? If your answer is no and/or you are a parent you may also want to consider the ramifications on your children and what apps they may be downloading onto their phones.

People may never consider that your phone acts similar to your laptop these days and that the only difference between the two is being able to easily transport your phone everywhere with you thus it has access to who you talk to, all the places you go, who you have messaged and even what your interests are which raises the security stakes.



Even if you install an app from a trusted developer, it can gather data, either for advertising or marketing purposes. If you want an app from a developer that is not familiar and there is no explanation as to why there is a need for your permission, it's advised you stray from this app. If you really feel you have to install an app that has dubious or confusing permissions, funnily enough there is an app for an app that can help. Some will aid in preventing intrusive apps from getting the data they want whilst others will monitor the apps you install to see if they're doing anything suspicious.

2 examples of these are:

- 1) PermissionDog
- 2) PocketPermissions

Data sharing and information stealing is a scary reality for smartphone users and they are urged to proceed with caution when downloading apps. Always be vigilant and monitor what your phone's hidden processes are.