



UK Government

UK Emergency Alert Test



The UK government is testing the Emergency Alerts system on 7 September 2025.



The Emergency Alerts system warns you if there is a danger to life nearby.



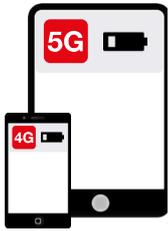
In an emergency, your mobile phone or tablet will get an alert with advice about how to stay safe.

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The test alert will be at **3pm on Sunday 7 September 2025.**

What will happen



All mobile phones and tablets that use 4G and 5G will get the test alert.



You do not need to do anything.
This is a test to make sure the alerts work.



Your mobile phone or tablet might:

- make a loud sound, even if it is set to silent
- vibrate
- read out a message



The test alert will last for about 10 seconds.



There will be a message on your screen saying that this is a test.



In an actual emergency, follow the instructions in the alert to keep yourself and others safe.



Visit gov.uk/alerts for more information and to check that an alert is genuine.



The government does not need your phone number or any of your details to send you an alert.



Your mobile phone or tablet does not have to have mobile data or WiFi to get an alert.



If you are driving when you get an alert, you should carry on driving. Do not pick up the phone.

Why the UK government is doing the test



They want to make sure that the alert works. In the future, the government might use alerts to tell you about:



- flooding



- fires



- bad weather



They will not send you alerts very often. The alerts are to help keep you safe.



If you do not want to get any emergency alerts in the future, you will need to change your phone settings. Learn how to turn off alerts by visiting: [gov.uk/alerts/optiming-out](https://www.gov.uk/alerts/optiming-out)