



Nintendo Switch

The Nintendo Switch was launched back in 2017 but continues to feature on Santa lists. The console was the first 'Hybrid', meaning it was both portable and for home use. The console actually has a built-in screen, making it extremely popular with gamers of all ages.

Parental Controls

Nintendo has designed an App called 'Nintendo Switch Parental Controls', specifically for parents to ensure a safer experience on the Switch. In this App, after making an account, you can take advantage of the following parental control settings:

Here you can find the following features:

- Parents can control how long children and young people are allowed to play the Nintendo Switch. Parents can set time limits and an in-game alarm will let the young gamer know their time is up.
- Monitor what type of games a child or young person is playing via reports.
- Parents can choose to restrict certain games, based on PEGI Ratings.
- There is a feature to stop children and young people from posting screenshots taken on the Nintendo Switch to social media platforms.
- Restrict the ability to communicate with other players. This can be done on a game by game basis too.



Users can choose to block another user through the following actions:

1. Select user Icon via the Home menu and then press **Add Friend**.
2. From here, users select **search** for users you've played with which will deliver a list of all players.
3. From this list, identify the user you wish to block and select **block** and then **confirm**.



In order to report a player, you must download the Nintendo Switch Online app on a smart device.

1. Open the app.
2. Select the game in which you played.
3. Select the person you want to report.
4. Follow the instructions to report the player.

