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How to Share a Video Too Big to Email?

I finally figured out how to video on my iPhone and now I can't email it even to myself. Where could I post it without the world seeing it? And, no, it's not in the least prurient.

I use dropbox to transfer video files between my Android phone and my PC. I have it set to automatically upload any new photos or videos from my phone to my dropbox account whenever I am in my office.

You can get a free 2 GB account at www.dropbox.com.

Doesn't the iPhone come with some amount of free cloud storage that you can use to transfer files between the iPhone and?

Neal A. Kennedy, Texas

Upload it to Dropbox or even better bitcasa. Bitcasa has a free version I think but ten bucks gets you an infinite drive with no size limits. I've got about 25 gigs in it and I've heard of people with several terabytes of data in it. It can be set to automatically upload any photo or video you take with your phone. It doesn't have size limits and if you want to share you produce a link for the other party to download from. It handles video better than Dropbox. Matter of fact I uploaded dozens of movies to it and have a media server that fetches the video from them to steam to my TV at home. It transcodes video where Dropbox won't. So if it's a format Dropbox doesn't recognize your outta luck. The benefit of this is that my media server has hundreds of movies ripped from my dvd collection hosted in bitcasa - so all my media available anywhere and none of it taking up gigs on any of my hard drives. It's a crazy cool setup.

Plus 10 gigs free at bitcasa

Clark Stewart

Yousendit.com

Laura S. Mann, New Jersey

Wow! Gotta have that.

Jon van Horne

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You can upload to Box.com too, if you have an account. I think you now get 10 GB free. Tim Ackermann
Wow, so many options. I just opened a dropbox account a couple of days ago for my computer. I guess I'll have to add the iPhone. I do also have iCloud. I just don't want *everything* syncing. Can I do that selectively? I used it for downloading business-related files.
Since the vid is of my poor dying old cat doing the most adorable thing, and it's a new trick, I would love to share it with the cat nuts here, but don't know how to do that either. Suggestions welcomed.
Miriam N. Jacobson
I use my dropbox account to upload large files for clients or other attorneys to download. It is very easy to create a link that you can send to anyone who you want to be able to access a particular document or folder. If you want additional security, you can compress your documents into a password protected zip file before uploading the file to your dropbox account.
For example, last week I uploaded a couple of gigabytes of pdf documents and videos that I am producing in discovery that I wanted the client, co-counsel and an expert witness to be able to access. After I uploaded the documents I simply e-mailed a link to everyone that I wanted to be able to access the documents. After they downloaded copies of the documents, I deleted them from my dropbox folder. It is basically a poor man's FTP server.
I have also used it to upload family photos that I had scanned and wanted my siblings to be able to download.
Neal A. Kennedy
I've been using yousendit.com, which works great, but just found out about a free service - www.wetransfer.com.
No signup at all - just go to the site, enter your e-mail, the recipient's e-mail, and upload the file (up to 2 GB). It's great, especially for one-time needs.
Regards,
Jeff Lantz

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If the video is not yet on your computer, you should sync with iTunes to put it on your computer before uploading it to dropbox. I recently tried to upload videos to dropbox from my iPhone and it was really slow.

Mike Wright

Good idea - iTunes, and maybe iCloud will also back it up. Any email service will be a problem, because it's too big to email, and I don't want to just email clips. Maybe Youtube isn't that big a problem. I'm so concerned about exposing anything personal.

Miriam N. Jacobson