

Setup guide

Turn an Android phone into your SMS gateway, pair it with your dashboard, and install the SMS Gora dashboard on any phone or computer.

Android phone app

Pairing in 1 minute

Dashboard on iPhone, Android & PC

API & campaigns

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How to use this guide

Every step has a picture of what you should see. Orange outlines show exactly where to tap. The steps take about 10 minutes in total.



An Android phone

Android 7.0 or newer, with the SIM card that will send your SMS. It can be an old phone kept on a charger.



A SIM with SMS credit

Your operator bills each SMS to this SIM as usual — a cheap SMS bundle keeps campaigns affordable. SMS Gora adds no per-message fee.



An active SMS Gora plan

Your plan sets how many phones you can pair. See it in the dashboard under **Billing**.



Any device for the dashboard

The dashboard works on iPhone, Android, Windows, Mac and Chromebook. iPhones can't *send* SMS through SMS Gora (Apple doesn't allow it) but can run the dashboard.

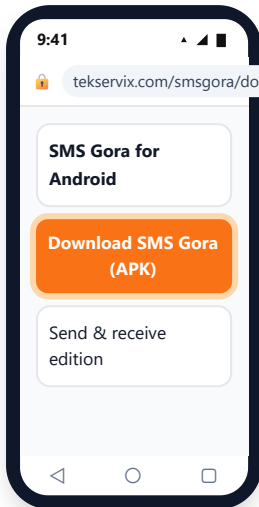
APP EDITION	WHAT IT DOES	CHOOSE IT WHEN
Standard (recommended)	Sends SMS from the API, campaigns and dashboard, with delivery reports	You only send SMS. Installs on every phone.
Send & receive	Standard + forwards incoming SMS to your inbox, webhooks and auto-replies	You need replies. Some phones block it (see Troubleshooting).

2 Install the SMS Gora Android app

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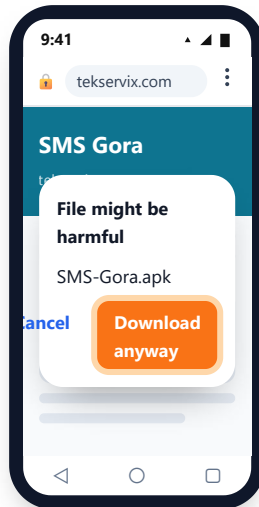
SMS Gora isn't on Google Play (Play only allows SMS apps that replace your messaging app), so you install it from tekservix.com. Do this **on the phone whose SIM will send the SMS**.



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Open the download page

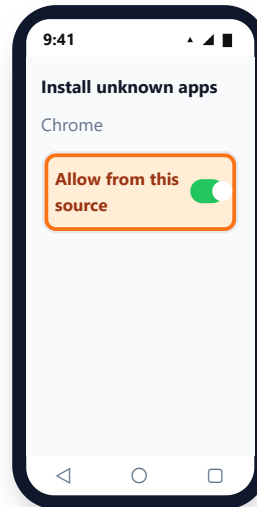
On the phone, open **tekservix.com/smsgora/download** in Chrome. The APK starts downloading.



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Keep the file

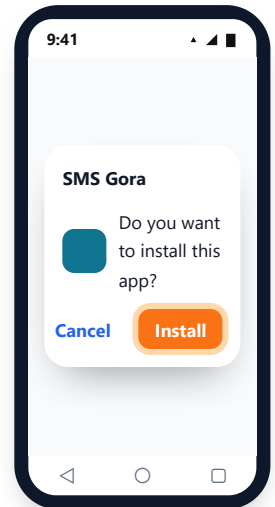
If Chrome says “File might be harmful”, tap **Download anyway**. Chrome shows this for every app that isn't from Google Play.



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Allow installs from Chrome

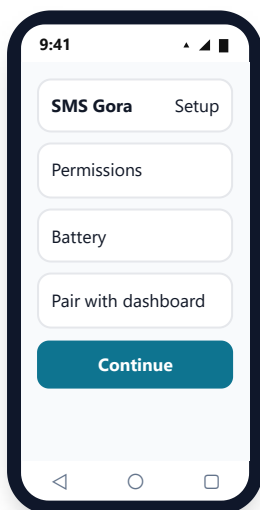
Tap **Open**. If Android blocks unknown apps, tap **Settings**, switch on **Allow from this source**, and go back.



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Install

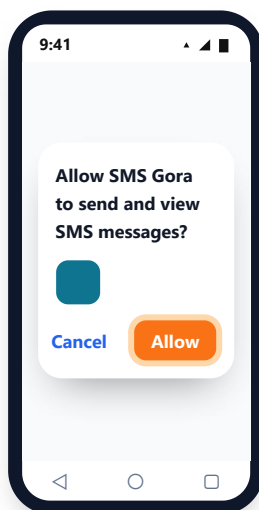
Tap **Install**. If Play Protect asks, tap **Install without scanning** (or **More details** → **Install anyway**).



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Open SMS Gora

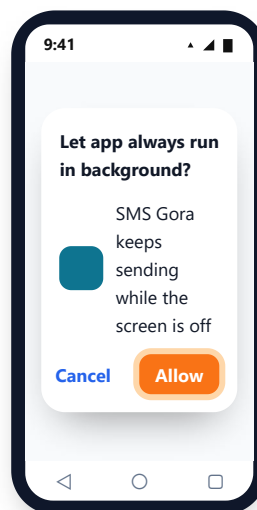
Tap **Open**. The app explains each permission it needs before asking.



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Allow the permissions

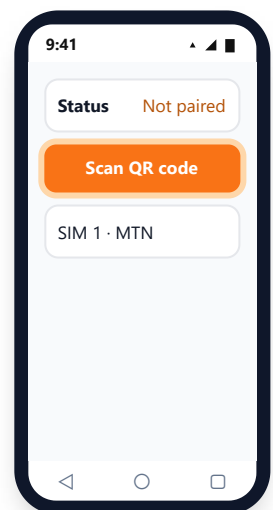
Allow **SMS**, **Phone** and **Notifications**. SMS Gora needs them to send texts and show its status.



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Turn off battery optimisation

When asked, tap **Allow** so Android never pauses SMS Gora in the background.



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Ready to pair

The app shows **Not paired** with a **Scan QR code** button. Continue with chapter 3.

3 Pair the phone with your dashboard

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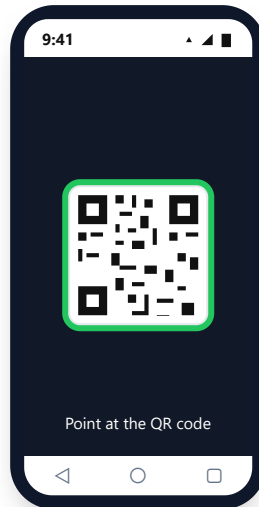
Pairing links the phone to your account so the dashboard and the API can send through it. Open the dashboard on a computer (or a second phone) so you can scan its screen.



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Open Phones → Pair phone

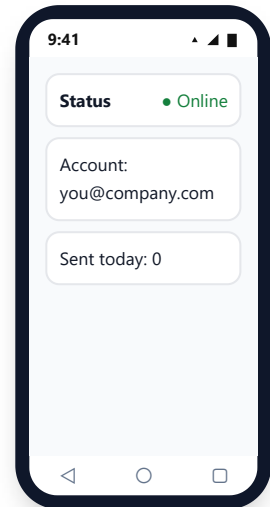
In the dashboard (tekserveix.com/smsgora/app) open **Phones**, add a phone (or pick one) and click **Pair phone**. A QR code and a pairing code appear.



2

Scan it with the app

In SMS Gora on the phone, tap **Scan QR code** and point the camera at the code.



3

Paired

The app shows **Online** and the phone appears in **Phones** with its SIM. Choose which SIM sends if the phone has two.

No second screen? Pair phone also shows a short **pairing code**. In the app tap **Enter code** and type it.

From the dashboard

Open **Send**, type the number in international format (e.g. +250788123456) and your message, choose the phone and tap **Send**. Watch it go from *Queued* to *Sent* and *Delivered*.

Bulk campaigns

Open **Campaigns** → **New**, upload a CSV of contacts, personalise with `{{name}}`, set a safe sending pace and schedule it. Opt-outs are honoured automatically.

From your own software (REST API)

Create a key under **API keys** (it starts with `sgk_`). The phone's ID is shown under **Phones**. Then send:

```
curl -X POST https://tekservix.com/smsgora/api/v1/devices/PHONE_ID/send-sms \
-H "x-api-key: sgk_your_key" \
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \
-d '{"recipients":["+250788123456"],"message":"Your code is 482913"}'
```

Add a **webhook** to get delivery reports (and incoming SMS with the Send & receive app). Full reference: tekservix.com/smsgora/docs.

Send responsibly. Only text people who agreed to hear from you, keep the default pace, and include a way to opt out. Operators can block SIMs that send spam.

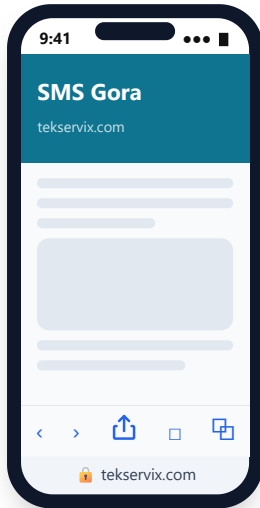
5 Add the SMS Gora dashboard to your home screen

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The SMS Gora dashboard is a web app: install it once and it opens full-screen from its own icon, like any app — no app store needed. Open tekservix.com/smsgora/app on the device, sign in, then follow the steps for your device.

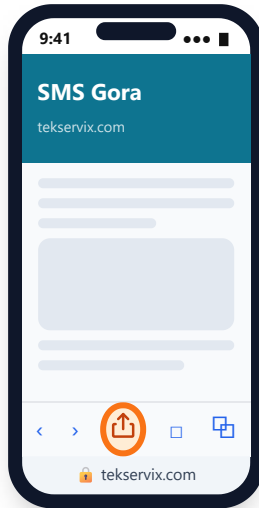
iPhone — Safari Recommended



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Open the dashboard in Safari

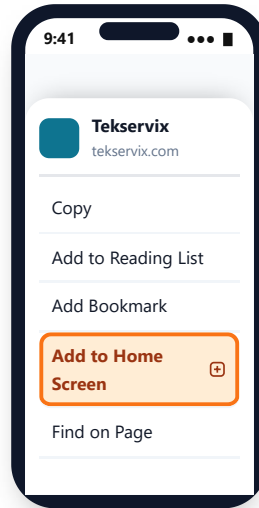
Open tekservix.com/smsgora/app in **Safari** and sign in. (Links opened inside WhatsApp, Facebook or Instagram must be opened in Safari first.)



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Tap the Share button

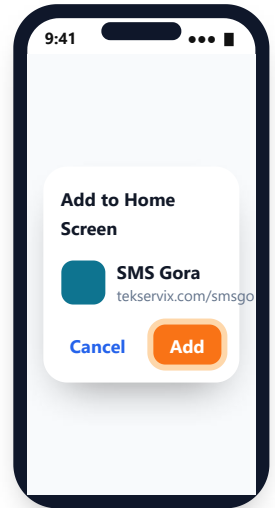
Tap **Share**  at the bottom of the screen. On iOS 18 and newer, tap **...** first if you don't see it.



3

Choose “Add to Home Screen”

Scroll down the list and tap **Add to Home Screen**.



4

Tap Add

Keep **Open as Web App** switched on (if shown) and tap **Add**. The SMS Gora icon appears on your home screen.

Chrome, Edge or Firefox on iPhone? On iOS 16.4 or newer: tap **Share** (Chrome: in the address bar; Edge and Firefox: in the  menu) → **Add to Home Screen** → **Add**. On older versions use Safari. Add to Home Screen isn't available in Private Browsing.

iPad — Safari

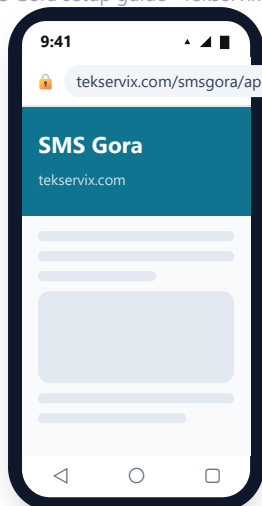
Same as iPhone, but the **Share** button  is at the **top right** of the screen, next to the address bar. Tap it → **Add to Home Screen** → **Add**.

Android — Chrome

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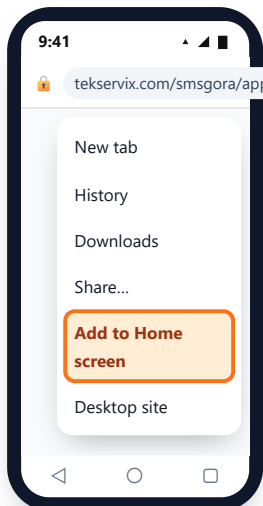
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Open the dashboard in Chrome

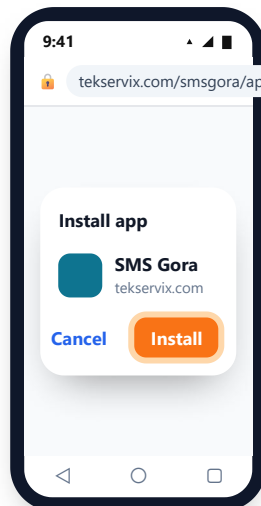
Open tekservix.com/smsgora/app in **Chrome** and sign in. If Chrome shows an **Install app** banner, tap it and skip to step 3.



2

Open the ☰ menu

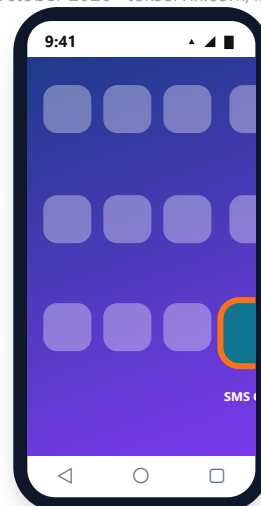
Tap the ☰ menu at the top right, then **Add to Home screen** (or **Install app**).



3

Tap Install

Choose **Install** and confirm. The app appears on your home screen and in the app drawer.



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Open it from your home screen

Tap the new **SMS Gora** icon. It opens full-screen and stays signed in.

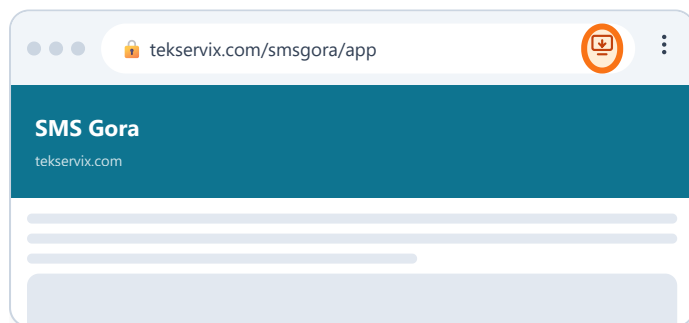
Samsung Internet (Galaxy phones)

Tap the install icon  in the address bar — or open the menu  → **Add page to** → **Home screen** → **Install**.

Firefox, Edge, Opera

Open the browser menu (☰ or ...) → **Add app to Home screen** / **Install app** / **Add to phone** → confirm.

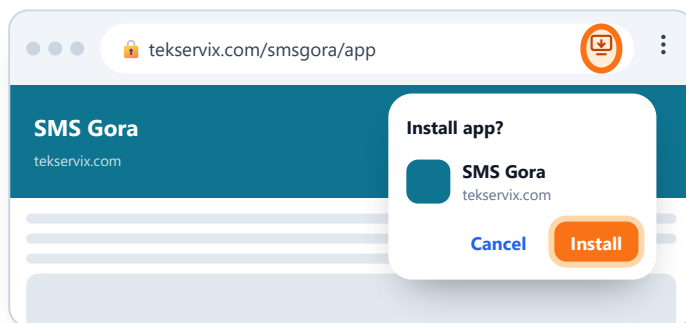
Computer — Chrome or Edge (Windows, Mac, Chromebook)



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Click the install icon

Open tekservix.com/smsgora/app. Click the install icon  at the right end of the address bar (Chrome: or ☰ → **Cast, save and share** → **Install page as app**; Edge: ... → **Apps** → **Install this site as an app**).



2

Click Install

Click **Install**. SMS Gora opens in its own window — pin it to the taskbar or Dock.

Mac with Safari (macOS Sonoma 14 or newer): File → **Add to Dock...** → **Add**. Desktop Firefox can't install web apps — use Chrome or Edge, or bookmark the page.

Some phone brands pause background apps to save battery. Give SMS Gora these settings once and keep the phone on a charger with Wi-Fi or mobile data.

PHONE	SETTING
Samsung	Settings → Apps → SMS Gora → Battery → Unrestricted . Also Settings → Battery → Background usage limits → remove SMS Gora from <i>Sleeping apps</i> .
Xiaomi / Redmi / POCO	Settings → Apps → Manage apps → SMS Gora → Autostart on, Battery saver → No restrictions . Lock the app in Recents (swipe down on it).
Tecno / Infinix / itel	Settings → Apps → SMS Gora → Battery → Allow background activity ; in Phone Master, add SMS Gora to the whitelist / auto-start.
Huawei / Honor	Settings → Battery → App launch → SMS Gora → Manage manually and switch on all three options.
Oppo / Realme / Vivo	Settings → Battery → App battery management → SMS Gora → Allow background activity and Allow auto launch .
Google Pixel & others	Settings → Apps → SMS Gora → App battery usage → Unrestricted .

- ✓ Keep the phone charging and connected to the internet.
- ✓ Don't force-stop SMS Gora or clear it from memory with cleaner apps.
- ✓ The dashboard shows each phone as **Online** / **Offline** and when it last checked in.

YOU SEE	WHAT TO DO
"App blocked to protect your device" (no Install anyway)	Google blocks browser-installed apps that read incoming SMS on some phones. Install the Standard edition instead — it sends SMS the same way.
"For your security, your phone isn't allowed to install unknown apps"	Tap Settings → switch on Allow from this source for Chrome (or Files) → go back → Install.
"App not installed"	Free some storage, delete an older SMS Gora copy with a different signature, and download again.
Phone shows Offline in the dashboard	Open the app, check internet, and apply the battery settings in chapter 6.
Messages stuck in Queued	Make sure the phone is online, the SIM has credit and SMS permission is allowed. Dual-SIM phones: pick the SIM under Phones.
Messages Failed	Check the number format (+country code), SIM credit and operator limits. The error appears on each message.
No "Add to Home Screen" on iPhone	Open the page in Safari (not inside WhatsApp/Facebook), and not in Private Browsing.

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