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HELPFUL SECURITY INFORMATION FOR SMART DEVICES:

PHONE MONITORING APP: Qustodio

[Qustodio \(click here for link\)](#): An all-in-one parental control & digital wellbeing solution

Major Features:

- Filter content & apps
 - Monitor activity
 - Set time limits
 - Locate family
 - Track calls & SMS for Android and iOS
 - Get reports, alerts & SOS
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HOW TO TURN OFF GEO LOCATION SERVICES FOR IPHONE CAMERA/ PHOTOS

1. Open the Settings app
2. tap Privacy & Security
3. Location Services
4. Camera
5. then tap Never.
(If you don't want to completely stop collecting location metadata, you can turn off Precise Location instead of selecting Never)

HOW TO TURN OFF GEO LOCATION SERVICES FOR AN ANDROID DEVICE

1. Open the Settings app on your device.
 2. Tap either the "Connections" tab or the "Privacy" tab (the label is different on different devices, some devices just skip to the next step.)
 3. Choose "Location."
 4. Toggle the switch to off.
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HOW TO TURN NameDrop OFF YOU iPHONE

Apple's latest operating system update, the iOS 17, introduced "**NameDrop**", an extension of the company's AirDrop feature allowing users to quickly and easily share contact information with other nearby iPhones and Apple Watches.

The concern, according to law enforcement and security experts, is that the feature's default setting is in the "on" position once users download the update to their phone.

How to turn off NameDrop

1. Turn this default off by going to settings,
2. then general
3. select AirDrop,
4. then "Bringing Devices Together,"
5. and toggle it to off.

Police suggested parents change the setting on their children's phones, iPads and other Apple devices.

Why could name NameDrop be dangerous?

Tech and cyber security expert Alan Crowetz told CBS Philadelphia the feature can be especially dangerous for children.

"If a stranger walks by your child and gets their contact information," Crowetz, with InfoStream, said, "they have their email and we've seen how the bad guys, the pedophiles and whatnot really take advantage of email, phone number for texting... From a cybersecurity point, this is a major red flag."