

HOSTED VOICE

Features and User Guide



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WELCOME



Welcome to Astound Hosted Voice

Thank you for choosing Astound Hosted Voice as your new communications solution. By partnering with Astound Business Solutions, you now have access to incredible state-of-the-art technology and dedicated local support. Astound Hosted Voice offers you a robust, scalable communications package that fits your business.

This guide provides key information on your services and features, so you can get the most out of your Astound Hosted Voice solution.



OVERVIEW



One of the exciting benefits of **Astound Hosted Voice** is the ability to set up and control your communications according to the specific needs of your business.

You can customize and manage your phone, calling features and voicemail via the web portal: <https://voice.myastoundphone.net>

You can also download applets by visiting our download page: <https://www.astound.com/business/support/voice>

The applets include:

Attendant Console

A professional softphone for operators and receptionists.

Go Communicator

Go Communicator links your CRM or business database with Astound Hosted Voice.

The above applets are only available to users who add these features to their service.



This manual is a general overview of Astound Hosted Voice and not meant to be an in-depth description of all features. If you have any questions please reach out to your Astound Business account executive.



Logging into Myastoundphone:

Go to: <https://voice.myastoundphone.net>

Use your Astound phone number and password to log in.

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Phone Feature Overview



* Layout varies by phone model

Common Phone Access Codes

Feature	Activate	Deactivate	Results
Unconditional Call Forwarding	* 72	* 73	To forward calls immediately dial * 72 plus the number you want to forward calls to to Activate. Dial * 73 to Deactivate.
Busy Call Forwarding	* 90	* 91	Forward calls if your line is busy.
Call Pickup	* 11		To pick up an incoming call to any line within a pre-defined pickup group, dial * 11. The oldest incoming call within the group will be picked up on your line.
Directed Pickup (no barge-in)	* 12		To pick up an incoming call to a specific line within your Business Group, dial * 12 immediately followed by the extension of the Business Group line. The call will be picked up on your line.

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Reference this section of the guide to learn about all the features you can use to streamline communication.

Find out how to log in to your Hosted Voice Web Portal, listen to voice mail, configure personal phone settings, transfer calls and activate frequently used shortcuts to maximize your service.

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Common Phone Access Codes

Feature	Activate	Deactivate	Results
Caller ID	* 65	* 85	Displays incoming caller's name and number.
Automatic Recall	* 69	* 89	To return the call instantly without hearing the number first, dial *69. To cancel all outstanding AR attempts, dial *89.
Automatic Callback	* 66	* 86	To automatically callback the last outgoing call, dial *66. To cancel all outstanding callback attempts, dial *86.
Caller ID Block	* 67		Dial *67, then the outbound number. This blocks your name and number on single outgoing calls.
Anonymous Call Rejection	* 77	* 87	This service automatically rejects all calls for which the caller has withheld the calling number.
Do Not Disturb	* 78	* 79	Allows you to block your line temporarily to prevent incoming calls. Outgoing calls can still be made as normal, but incoming calls are not connected; instead, the caller hears an announcement that you are not currently accepting calls.
Voicemail	* 98		Access your voicemail by dialing *98 from the Astound line.

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Astound Portal Homescreen

The Homescreen gives quick access to the most frequently used options such as:

- Groups
- Call Settings
- Message Settings
- Notifications
- Reminders

Logging into your Astound Web Portal

Step 1: Ask your administrator for your initial password

Step 2: Enter this URL in browser:

<https://voice.myastoundphone.net>

Step 3: At login screen, enter your 10-digit phone number and Astound password

Groups
Members of the same work team or department

Call Settings
Set general call features like Call Forwarding, Call Blocking

Message Settings
Set up voice mail general information, call greetings, and mailbox access

Notifications
Establish how to get notified of voice mails

Reminders
Enable reminders for your phone number

ASTOUND PHONE Installation



Installation

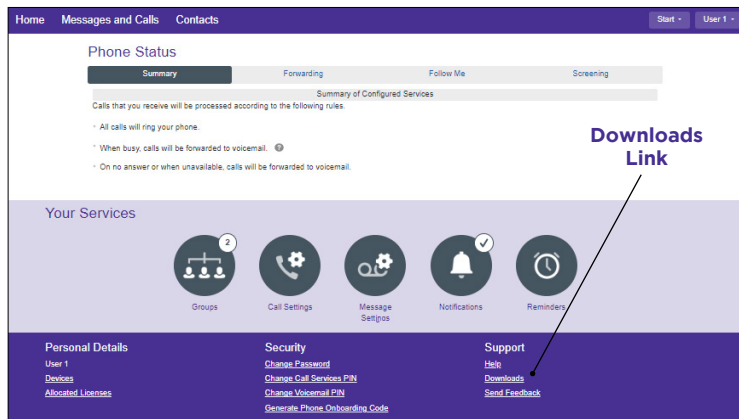
**Download the Astound Phone app for your desktop.
Access the web portal to download the app.**

1. Download through voice.myastoundphone.net:

Go to <https://voice.myastoundphone.net> and log into your account using your phone number and password credentials.

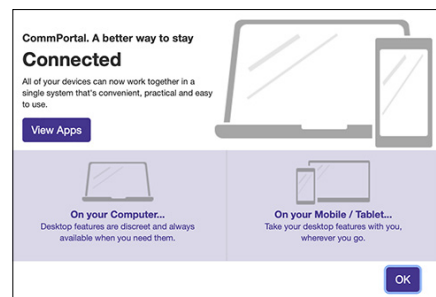
Go to the bottom right and click Downloads.

* Your Astound Hosted Voice Line must have the Astound Phone Desktop/Mobile client enabled for use. Please contact your administrator or Astound if you need assistance.



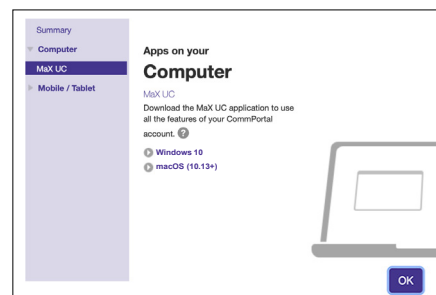
For Desktop and Laptop Computers:

Click on “On your Computer” in the Download Dialog box.



Select the appropriate Computer OS System. When prompted, save the file, then find the file in the download folder and open it to begin the installation process.

Follow the on-screen instructions to install the Astound Phone app.



ASTOUND PHONE Installation

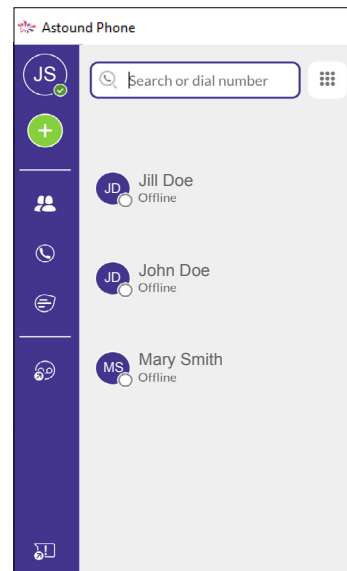
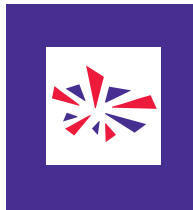


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Installation

When prompted, save the file, then find the file in the download folder and open it to begin the installation process. Follow the on-screen instructions to install the Astound Phone applet.

Once installed, launch the Astound Phone app.



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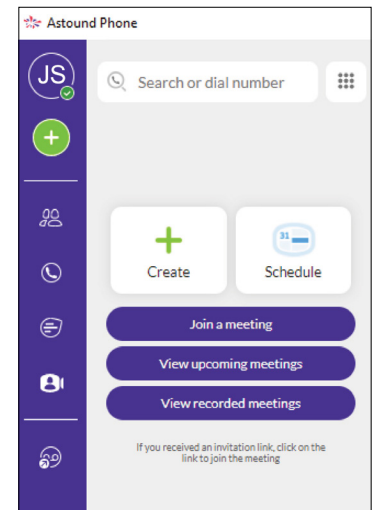


Meetings

Click on the Meetings Icon.

You will see five options:

- Create a Meeting
- Schedule a Meeting
- Join a Meeting
- View Upcoming Meetings
- View Recorded Meetings



View Upcoming Meetings

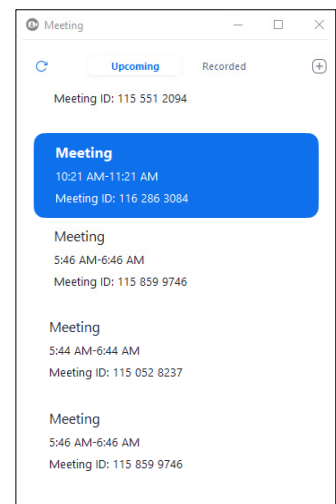
Lists all meetings that are pending.

If you hover your mouse over the meeting you will see four options:

- **Start** – Begins the meeting
- **Edit** – Update, make changes to the meeting
- **Delete** – Removes the meeting
- **Copy** – Allows you to copy the meeting information and send it to participants who may have lost the information

The information copied includes:

- Meeting name
- Date of meeting
- Time of meeting
- URL to join the meeting
- Phone number to join the meeting (if not using computer audio)
- Meeting ID



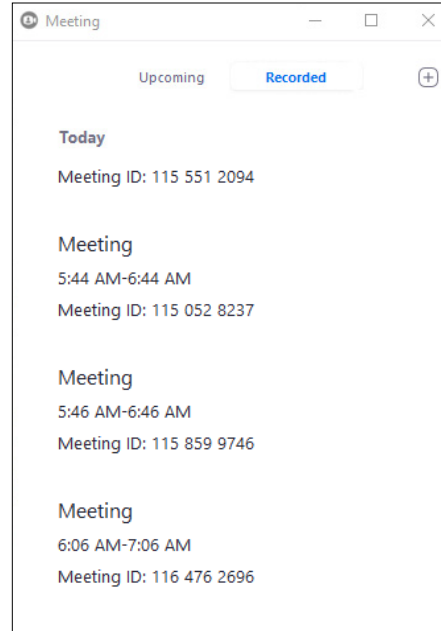
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View Recorded Meetings

Lists all meetings that were recorded. If you hover your mouse over the meeting you will see four options:

- **Play** - Plays video and audio of the recorded meeting
- **Play Audio** - Plays the audio of the recorded meeting
- **Open** - Launches File Explorer (in Windows) and displays the individual audio and video files
- **Delete** - Removes the meeting



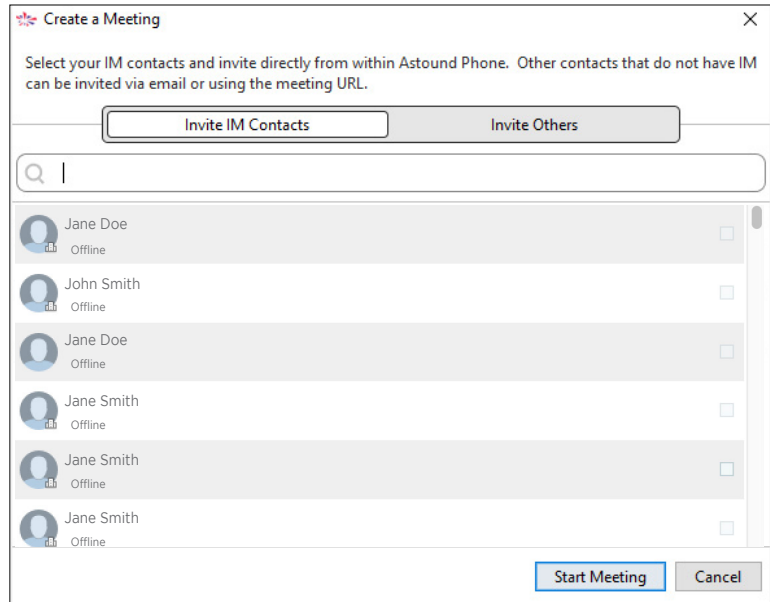
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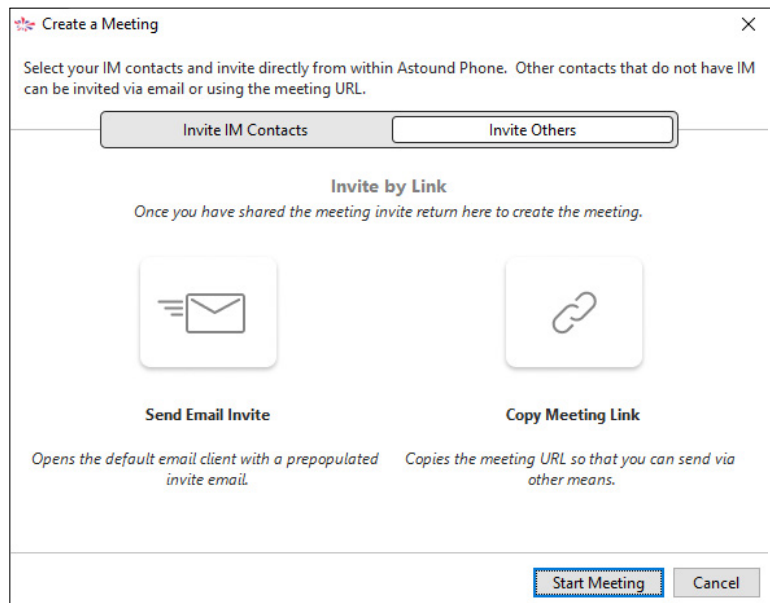
Create a Meeting

Allows you to launch an instant meeting. There are two ways to start an instant meeting:

1. Click **Invite IM Contacts** and select those individuals from within your business group.



2. Click **Invite Others**. You now have two options:
 - a. Send Email Invitation - Sends a meeting invite from your mail client.
 - b. Copy Meeting link and send an email to desired participants.



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Schedule a Meeting

You can use ConnectNow to schedule a one-off or recurring meeting.

1. Select the Schedule a Meeting option to launch the Schedule a New Meeting window. Here, you can set:
 - The topic of the meeting
 - Date
 - Time
 - Meeting duration
 - Specify various other audio and video settings for the meeting
 - Determine whether a password is required for the meeting
2. Then click Schedule to open the meeting invitation and select the participants you want to invite to the meeting before sending the invite.

The ConnectNow meeting is added to the participant's calendar.

Note: The participant does not need to be a ConnectNow subscriber to join the meeting. They simply click the link and can join the meeting.

Schedule meeting

Schedule Meeting

Topic

Start:

Duration:

Recurring meeting Time Zone: Eastern Time (US and Canada) ▾

Meeting ID
 Generate Automatically Personal Meeting ID 115 4763 2582

Security
 Passcode Waiting Room

Video
Host: On Off Participants: On Off

Audio
 Telephone Computer Audio Telephone and Computer Audio
Dial in from United States [Edit](#)

Calendar
 Outlook Google Calendar Other Calendars

Advanced Options ▾

CONNECTNOW Features



Join a Meeting

You can join a ConnectNow Meeting by clicking on the Join button and entering the meeting ID, or by opening the Meeting URL in a browser.

A screenshot of a software dialog box titled "Join a Meeting" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The dialog contains a text input field with the placeholder text "Enter Meeting ID or Personal Link Name" and a microphone icon to its left. Below the input field is a line of text: "If you received an invitation link, click the link to join the meeting". There are two checkboxes: "Disconnect audio when joining" (unchecked) and "Turn off my video when joining" (checked). At the bottom right are two buttons: "Join" and "Cancel".

Join a Meeting

Enter Meeting ID or Personal Link Name

If you received an invitation link, click the link to join the meeting

Disconnect audio when joining

Turn off my video when joining

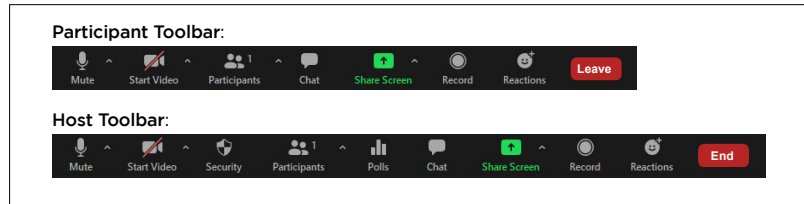
Join Cancel

CONNECTNOW Features





The Meeting Window

While a meeting is in progress, you will either see the Participant Toolbar or the Host Toolbar at the bottom of the Meeting window. Options may change based on permissions.





Set Up your Audio and Video


Use the Microphone icon to toggle your microphone or adjust settings:

On  and Off 

Use the Video icon to toggle your video or adjust settings:

On  and Off 

View Meeting Participants as the Host

Click on  **Participants** to see who has joined the meeting.

A Host can access the following options from the Participant window:

- Mouse over a participant to mute or unmute them
- Ask to Start or Stop a participant's video
- Make a participant a Host or Co-Host
- Rename a participant
- Put a participant in the waiting room
- Remove a Participant
- Chat with a participant

At the bottom of the participant window:

- Set participant permissions, lock meeting room, mute all

At the foot of the screen:

- Security Settings, Polls, Chat, Screen Sharing, Record, Breakout Rooms and Reactions

At the top right of the video window screen:

- Enter/Exit Full Screen
- Adjust views

CONNECTNOW Features

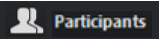


The Meeting Window (Continued)

Invite Contacts to Join the Meeting

At the bottom of the participants window, click 

View Meeting Participants as a Participant

Click on  to see who has joined the meeting.


You can access the following options from the Participant window:

- Mute/unmute yourself
- Rename yourself
- Invite new participants
- At the foot of the screen:
 - Mute Me - Put yourself on mute
 - Raise Hand - Let the meeting host know you have something to say
 - Add Reaction emojis
 - Adjust settings
 - Share screen

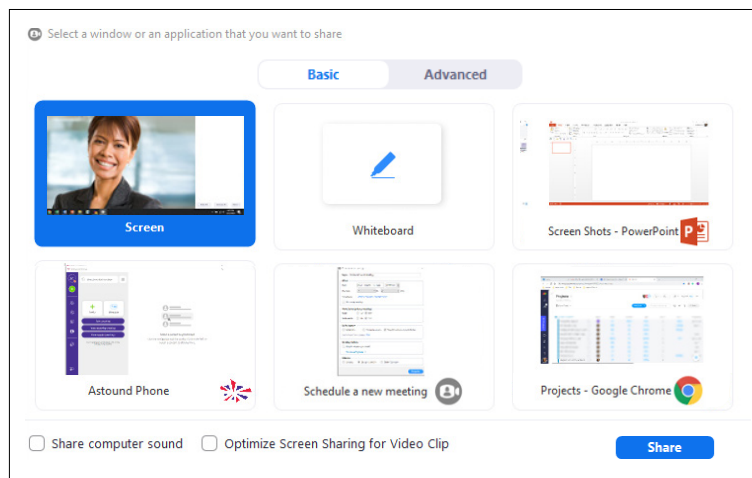
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Share Screen

Click on Share  to share your screen or an application.

- Select the Screen option to share your entire desktop. The participants will see your entire desktop.
- Your open applications will be listed on the Share tab. Click on an application to share. The participants will only see that specific application.




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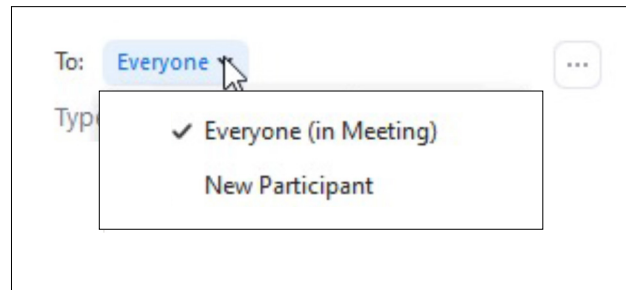


Chat

Click on Chat  to launch the Chat window.

You can chat with everyone or with an individual.


- To chat with everyone make sure the “To” field reads “Everyone”. Type your message in the chat box and press Enter when done.
- To chat with an individual:
 - Click on the “To” field to display all the participants in the meeting. Select and click on the person you want to chat with and type your message in the chat box. Press Enter.

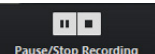


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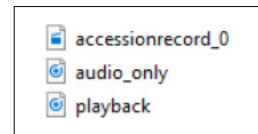


Record

To Record a meeting press the Record button 


- There will be an announcement that the meeting is being recorded.
- From that point on all conversations and video (if activated) will be recorded.
- To end the recording press the Stop Record button 

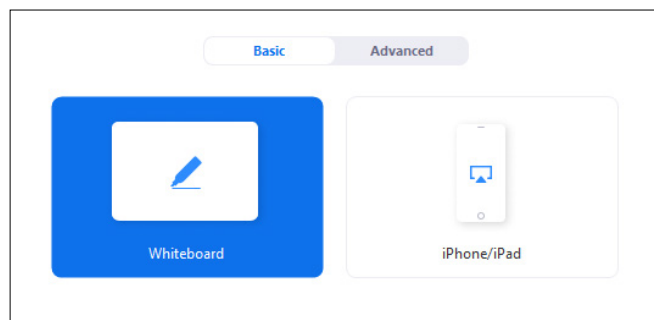
When the meeting ends the recording will be converted to an MP4 and downloaded onto your computer.



Whiteboard

Make your meetings even more productive by utilizing the Whiteboard feature in ConnectNow. The Whiteboard feature takes collaboration to the next level and allows both you and your participants to draw, erase, and place shapes into a completely virtual notepad right in your online meeting room. It's an immersive team collaboration tool perfect for project planning, and more.

To launch a whiteboard, click on Share  and click the Whiteboard icon.

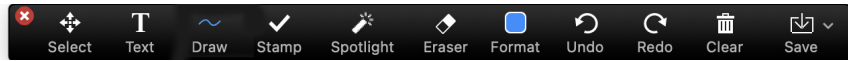


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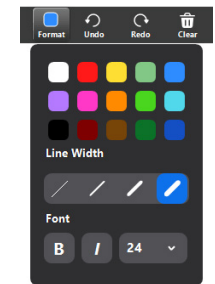
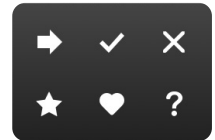
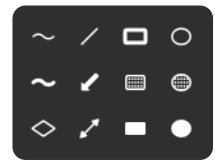


Whiteboard (Continued)

The whiteboard appears with several annotation options:



- Text - Allows you to type text on the whiteboard surface in a text box
- Draw - Affords several symbols or shapes to choose, or you can free style draw
- Stamp - Allows you to call out areas with special shapes
- Spotlight - Lets you highlight certain words, objects, or pictures on the whiteboard
- Eraser - Gives you the opportunity to delete various things on the whiteboard
- Format - Provides many of the familiar formatting options such as:
 - Boldface
 - Italicize
 - Font size
 - Colors
 - Line thickness
- Undo - Reverses an action
- Redo - Repeats an action
- Clear - Erases the entire whiteboard
- Save - Allows you to save your work for future use



Leaving or Ending a Meeting

- In the bottom right of the Meeting Window click on **End**
Two buttons will then appear:
- To leave a meeting as a participant click on **Leave Meeting**
- To end a meeting as a host click on **End Meeting for All**

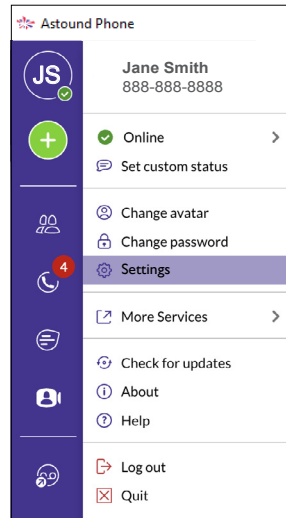
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ConnectNow and Astound Phone Options

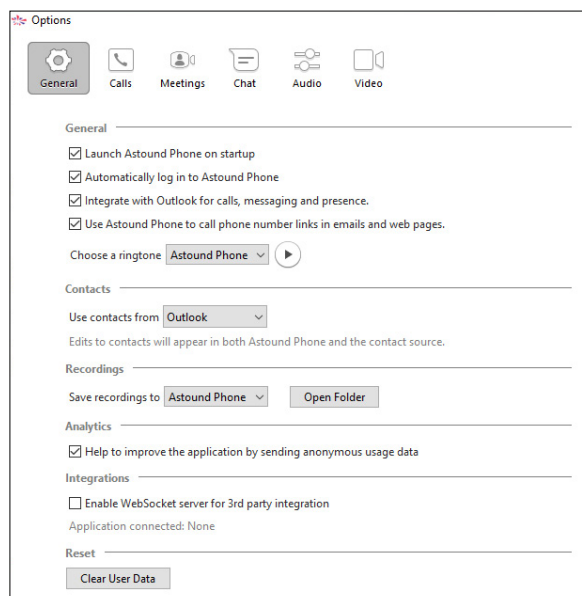
You can personalize ConnectNow & Astound Phone to meet your needs through the many features in the Options window.

To get to the Options window, click on your initials or avatar in the top left, then Settings, when the drop down panel appears. The Options window will open up.



• General Settings

- Astound Phone Options
- Choose ringtone
- Manage contacts
- Stored Recordings Destination
- Provide Feedback



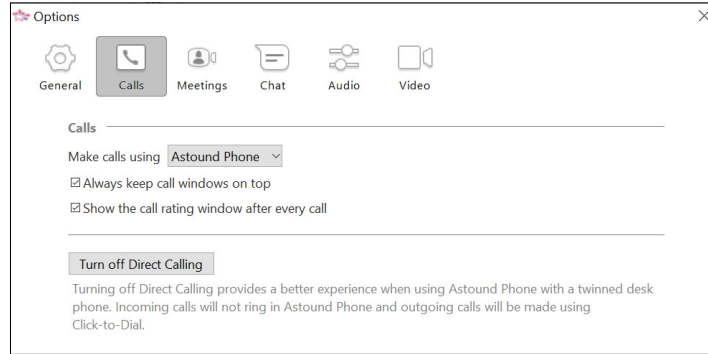
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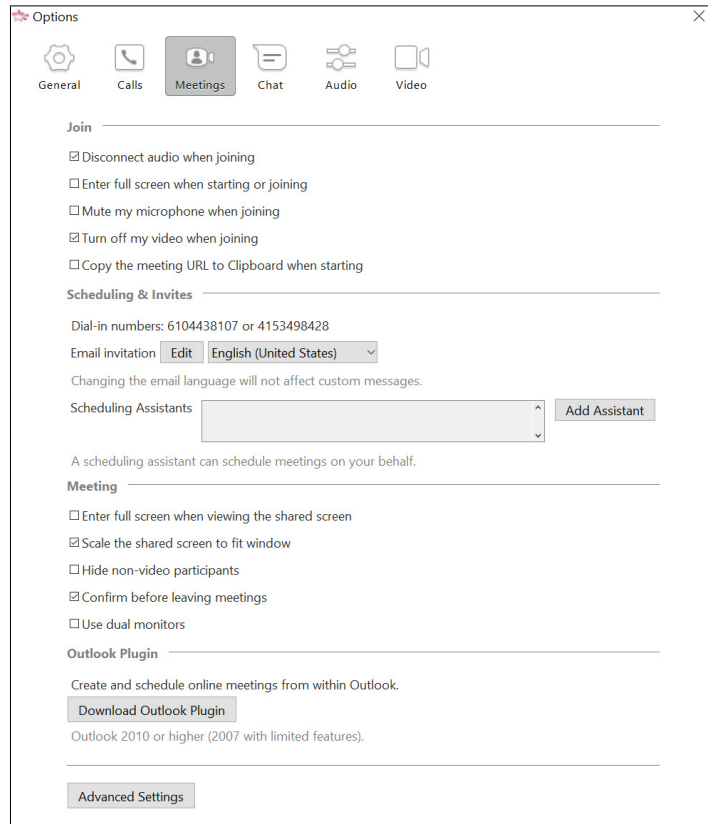
• Calls

- How calls are made
- Direct Call options



• Meetings

- Set how to join meetings
- Set defaults for scheduling meetings
- Set defaults for sending invitations
- Determine settings for the meeting
- Advanced Settings



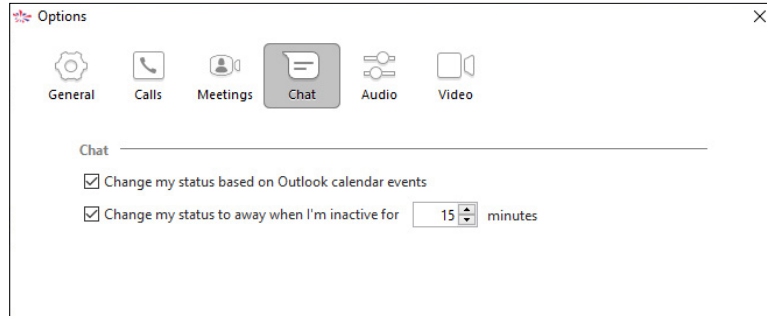
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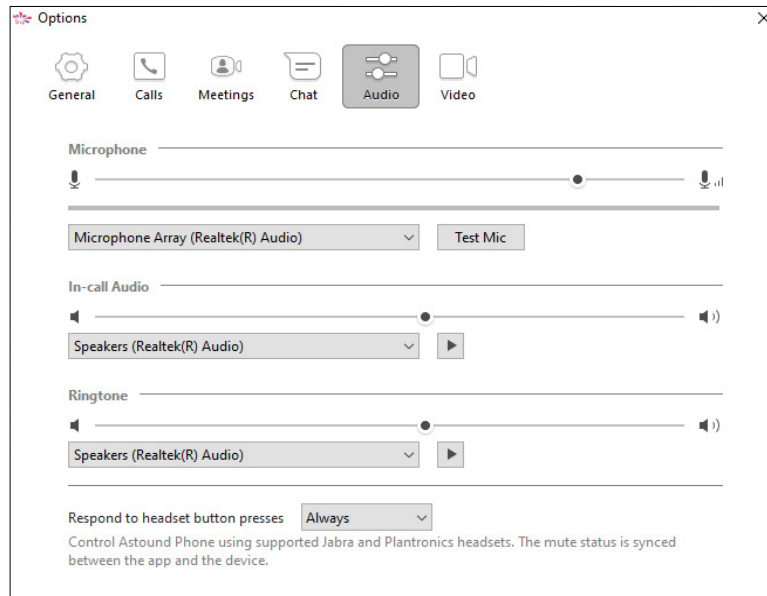
• Chat (Astound Phone)

- Create defaults for the Chat window, presence and use



• Audio (Astound Phone)

- Microphone levels
- In call audio levels
- Notifications



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ConnectNow Options (Continued)

- Video

- Select from available attached cameras



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Meeting Security

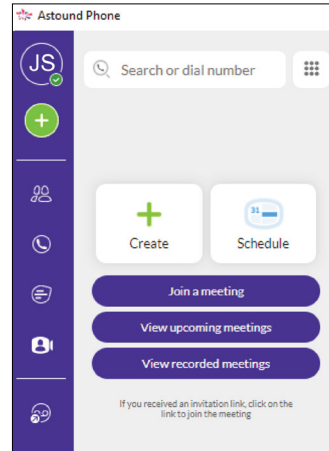


Securing Your Meeting

Securing your videoconferencing meeting with ConnectNow requires a few simple best practices:

Password Protect your Sessions

Create a password for each of your meetings and share it with the participants you invite. You can set a password when you schedule your meeting. Click on the Meetings icon and select Schedule.



In the Schedule a New Meeting window, and under Meeting Options create a unique password. There are also other options to secure your meeting when scheduling a meeting.

- You can disable the Enable Before Host option. This prevents participants from joining the meeting until the host starts the call.
- Enable Use Personal ID. Participants will need to enter your personal ID number to access the meeting.

A screenshot of the 'Schedule a new meeting' dialog box. The 'Topic' field contains 'John Smith's Meeting'. The 'When' section shows the start date as 'Tue April 7, 2020' at '07:00 PM', with a duration of '1 Hr 0 Min' and 'Time Zone: (GMT-4:00)Eastern Daylight Time'. There is a checkbox for 'Recurring meeting'. The 'Video (when joining a meeting)' section has 'Host' set to 'Off' and 'Participants' set to 'Off'. The 'Audio Options' section has 'Telephone and Computer Audio' selected. The 'Meeting Options' section has 'Require meeting password' checked, and a password field. Other options include 'Enable join before host', 'Mute participants on entry', 'Use Personal Meeting ID 555-5555-5555', and 'Record the meeting automatically on the local computer'. There is a link for 'Advanced Options'. The 'Calendar' section has 'Google Calendar' selected.

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Meeting Security



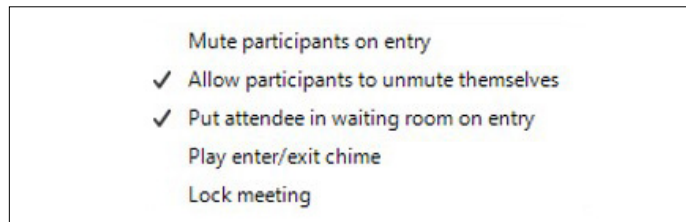
Securing Your Meeting (Continued)

Use a Waiting Room

Using a Waiting Room allows you to filter who can join the call. ConnectNow allows you to send all participants to a waiting room where you can either admit everyone together or select participants individually to admit into the session.

You can activate the Waiting Room through your settings (see the Settings section):

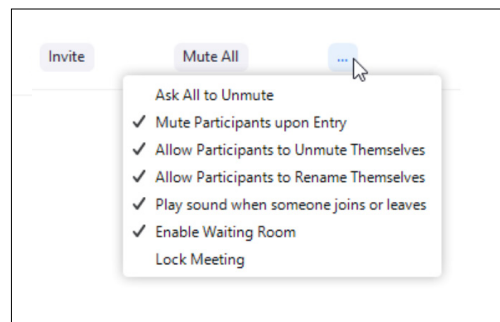
- From the Meeting Window click on Participants.
- In the lower right of the Participant window click on More.
- Select the option: Put attendee in waiting room on entry.



Lock your Sessions

Once all of the invited participants have joined a session you can lock the meeting. This will prevent anyone from joining the meeting once it is started. To lock the meeting:

- From the Meeting Window click on Participants.
- On the lower right of the Participant window click on More to see the option Lock Meeting.
- You will see a pop up window asking you to confirm your selection.



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Meeting Security



Securing Your Meeting (Continued)

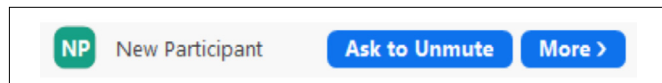
Play a Sound when Participants Enter or Leave a Meeting

Whenever someone joins or leaves the call, a sound will play alerting you to that fact. This will allow you to ask who joined the call or let you know someone may be lurking in the background.

Remove Troublemakers

Occasionally review the list of attendees and remove anyone who does not belong:

- From the Meeting Window click on Participants
- Scan the list of attendees in the Attendee window
- Simply hover your mouse above his or her name and select More to remove the participant




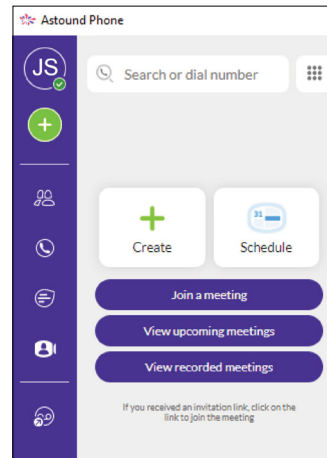
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Meeting Settings



Settings

Set meeting options on the Astound Phone app. Click on the Meetings icon , then Schedule.



In the Schedule Meeting window you can set several defaults such as:

- Set how to join meetings
- Set defaults for sending invitations
- Set defaults for scheduling meetings
- Determine settings for the meeting

The screenshot shows the "Schedule Meeting" form. It has several sections:

- Topic:** A text input field containing "Sara Casanova's Meeting".
- Start:** A date and time selector set to "Sat February 25, 2023" at "11:00 AM".
- Duration:** Two dropdown menus set to "1 hour" and "0 minute".
- Recurring meeting:** A checkbox that is unchecked.
- Time Zone:** A dropdown menu set to "Eastern Time (US and Canada)".
- Meeting ID:** Two radio buttons: "Generate Automatically" (selected) and "Personal Meeting ID 115 4763 2582".
- Security:** Two checkboxes: "Passcode" (unchecked) and "Waiting Room" (unchecked).
- Video:** Two sections. "Host:" has radio buttons for "On" (unchecked) and "Off" (selected). "Participants:" has radio buttons for "On" (unchecked) and "Off" (selected).
- Audio:** Three radio buttons: "Telephone" (unchecked), "Computer Audio" (unchecked), and "Telephone and Computer Audio" (selected). Below it is a link "Dial in from United States Edit".
- Calendar:** Three radio buttons: "Outlook" (unchecked), "Google Calendar" (unchecked), and "Other Calendars" (selected).
- Advanced Options:** A section with a caret icon containing three checkboxes: "Enable join before host" (unchecked), "Mute participants upon entry" (unchecked), and "Automatically record meeting on the local computer" (unchecked).

At the bottom right, there are "Save" and "Cancel" buttons.

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Home

The summary tab provides a description of how calls you receive will be handled, taking into account the settings for all of your incoming call services and any interactions between them.

The screenshot shows a web interface for 'Phone Status'. The top navigation bar includes 'Home', 'Messages and Calls', and 'Contacts'. The 'Phone Status' section has tabs for 'Summary', 'Forwarding', 'Follow Me', and 'Screening'. Below the tabs is a 'Summary of Configured Services' section with the text: 'Calls that you receive will be processed according to the following rules.' Three bullet points are listed: 'All calls will ring your phone.', 'When busy, calls will be forwarded to voicemail.', and 'On no answer or when unavailable, calls will be forwarded to voicemail.'

Messages and Calls

Messages and Calls displays new and saved voice mail messages.

It also shows you:

- Missed Calls
- Received Calls
- Dialed Calls
- Deleted Voice Mail Messages

The screenshot shows the 'Messages and Calls' section of a web interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Home', 'Messages and Calls', and 'Contacts'. The 'Messages and Calls' section has tabs for 'Messages (3 New)', 'Missed', 'Dialed', 'Received', and 'Deleted'. Below the tabs is a 'New Voicemail' section with a 'Delete All' button. A table lists three voicemail messages from '(888) 888-8888' with their respective dates, times, and durations. The bottom navigation bar includes 'Personal Details', 'Security', and 'Support' sections.

Message	Date and Time	Duration	Actions
(888) 888-8888	Wed 4/22, 10:32 am	16 secs	Actions
(888) 888-8888	Tue 4/21, 3:33 pm	42 secs	Actions
(888) 888-8888	Mon 5/20, 12:57 pm	45 secs	Actions

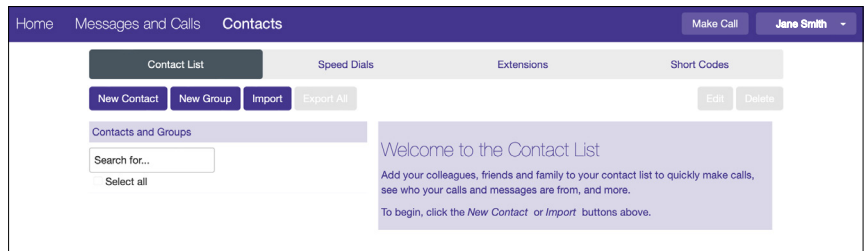
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Contacts

You can organize contacts and see extensions and short codes that are managed by the Business Group Administrator as well as:

- Create new contacts
- Create groups of contacts (such as customers, personal, etc.)
- Import a CSV file from a program that can export a CSV file (such as Outlook in Windows or the Contacts App in OS X)
- Export contacts (in a CSV format for use in other programs)
- Create Speed Dials (such as 41 for 1-212-555-4141)

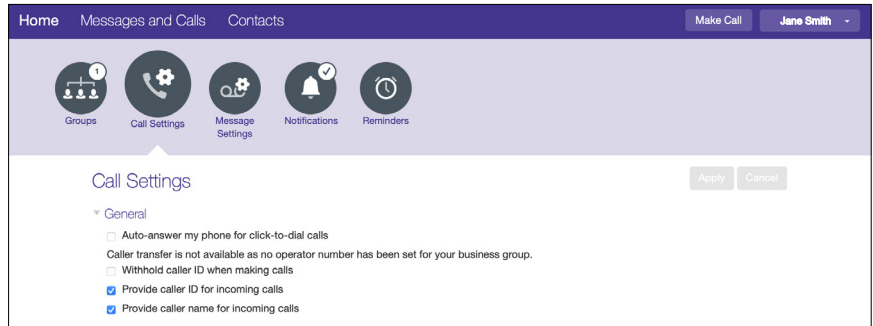


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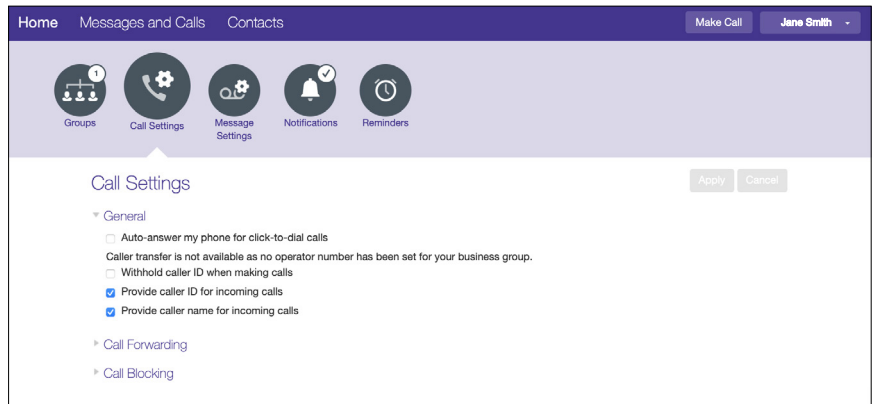


Call Settings

Settings allows you to configure your account and phone with some additional options.



General: This section has options for Caller ID, Call Forwarding and Call Blocking.



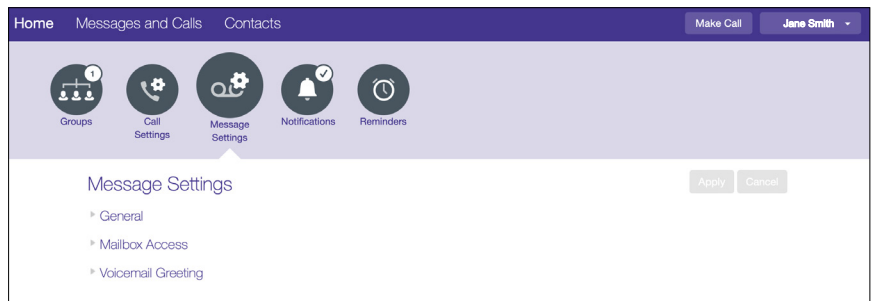
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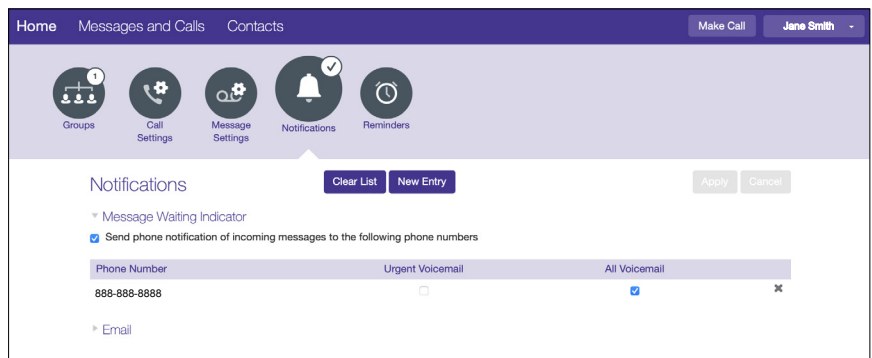
Additional Settings

Message Settings: Manage Voice Mail settings such as:

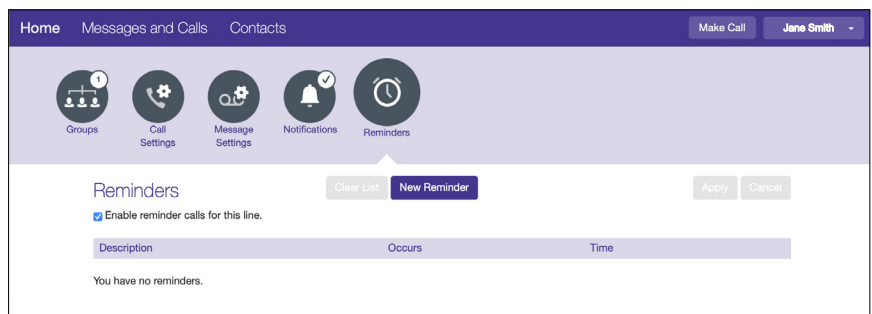
- Forward a voicemail as an audio file (.wav) to an email address
- Log in options and what information is played by default when listening to Voice Mail
- Record a new greeting or different greetings for when your line is busy, calls are outside normal business hours, or if they're calling from your business group.



Notifications: Where notifications should be sent.



Reminders: Reminders make a call to your Astound HV line.



CALLER ID Features



Caller ID Overview

Manage Caller ID and Name from Call Settings.

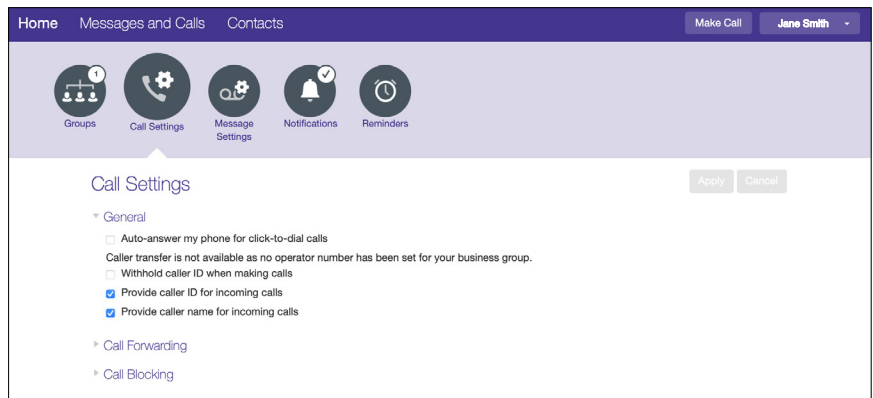
Actions in the web portal:

Step 1: Click Call Settings option

Step 2: Click on General drop down

Step 3: Click on the appropriate option

- Withhold Caller ID when making calls
- Provide caller ID for incoming calls / Provide caller name for incoming calls



CALLER ID Features



Caller ID Blocking

Prevents your phone number and/or name from appearing on the display unit of the called party. “P”, “Private”, or “Anonymous” will show on their display units.

If you have deactivated “Withhold Caller ID when making calls” you can still temporarily block your Caller ID Name and Number on a per call basis.

Per call ACTIVATION of Caller ID Block (before you dial):

*** 6 7**

Caller ID Permanent Blocking

Permanent Blocking is a service applied on your request. Caller ID Blocking will remain active at all times unless you deactivate this service before you place each phone call.

If the called party has “Anonymous Call Rejection”, your call will not be completed if the Caller ID Blocking feature is activated.

Caller ID Blocking must be deactivated to be able to reach the called party.

After deactivating the Caller ID Blocking, ID and number will appear on the Caller ID of the called party.

*** 6 5 To ACTIVATE Permanent Call Blocking**

*** 8 5 To DEACTIVATE Permanent Call Blocking**

VOICE MAIL

Features/Access



Voice Mail Access

Access from your Office Phone

1. Press any of the following buttons:



If the phone does not have a Voice Mail button dial * 98



Menu > Messages > Message Center > Connect

2. Enter your PIN



Access your Voice Mail from an Outside Line

1. Dial your phone number

2. Wait for greeting

3. Dial 

4. Enter your PIN



Message Playback Keys

Playback Key Function	Key
Increases message volume	6
Incrementally increases message volume	6 (pause) 6
Slows playback speed	7
Incrementally slows playback speed	7 (pause) 7
Pauses playback (up to :20) audible “ping” sound will be heard during pause	8
Resumes playback	repeat 8
Increases playback speed	9
Incrementally increases playback speed	9 (pause) 9
Date and time of message	66
Skips message back :05	77
Skips message forward :05	99

The playback keys are only active during the playback of a message. They are designed to help you listen to your messages, for example by skipping back a few seconds to repeat an important detail.

VOICE MAIL

Features/Access



Access Voice Mail from the Portal

Voice Mail in web portal allows you to play and view Voice Mail messages.

Messages and Calls > Message Tab

Play Button
Click to listen to audio file of VM

Messages

New VM Button
Record and send new VM to the number you enter in box

List of Voice Mails

Delete All Button
Deletes entire VM box

Voice Mail Playback Pop-up Window
Control playback and save, delete or close each VM

Actions Dropdown Menu

- Reply
- Mark as heard
- Forward as Email (with VM as .wav file)
- Forward as Voice Mail



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Forwarding Features



Forwarding

You can access many different Call Forwarding options from the Home tab in the web portal.

From the Homescreen > Forwarding >

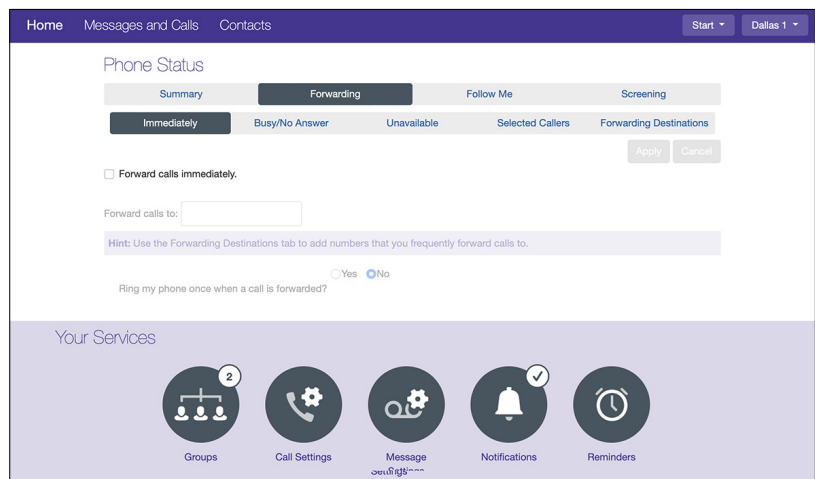
- Immediately
- Busy/No Answer
- Unavailable
- Selected Callers
- Forwarding Destinations



Forwarding Settings in the Portal

1. Homescreen > Forwarding >

Manage Forwarding Options



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Forwarding Features

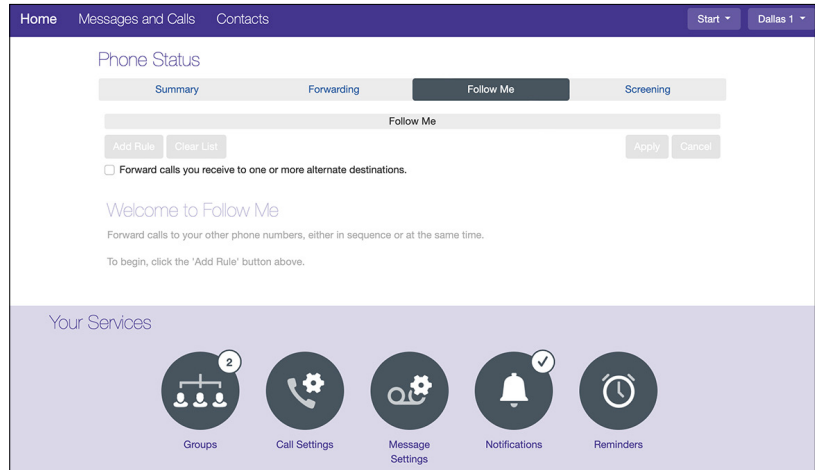


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2. Homescreen > Follow Me

When enabled, this service redirects calls that you receive to one or more alternate destinations. You may configure multiple destinations to ring in turn, simultaneously, or a combination of the two.

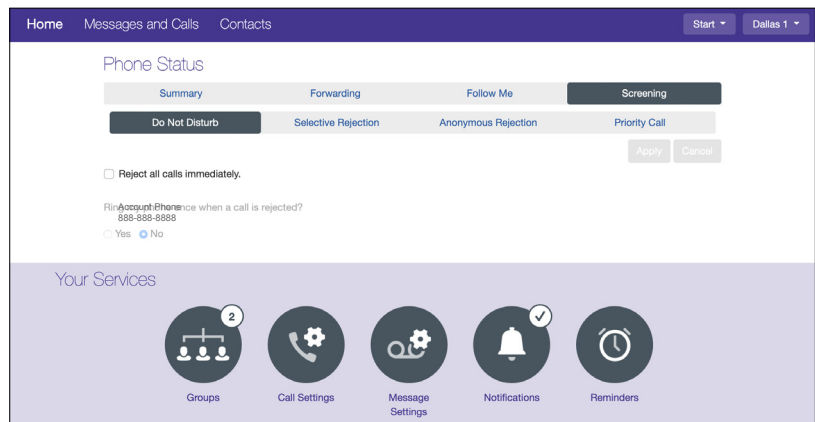
- To configure this service, you must define a number of rules. Each rule defines a destination you want to ring when you receive a call, and how long you wish that destination to ring for. Each rule is assigned to a numbered step.



2.5 Homescreen > Screening

Screening Options:

- Do Not Disturb
- Selective Rejection
- Anonymous Rejection
- Priority Call



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Forwarding Features



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2.5 Homescreen > Screening

- **Immediately:** Forwards Calls Immediately to another number.
- **Busy/No Answer:** Options to forward calls when no answer, or forward calls when busy.
- **Unavailable:** This sets up a forward in case your phone loses power or connection to the Astound phone service. In this circumstance callers would normally be sent directly to voicemail (or forwarded if that's the "if there is no answer" setting). This is a way to ensure even if the phone stops working you can still receive calls, for example on your mobile phone.
- **Selected Callers:** Create a list of numbers that will forward to the specified number when they call your account phone, no matter your other incoming call settings.
- **Do Not Disturb:** Calls are rejected immediately and forwarded to Voicemail.
- **Selective Rejection:** Create a list of numbers that will be rejected without ringing your account phone or going to voicemail. Common uses are for robo-calls or numbers being spammed or harassed from. The caller will hear a message that the person they are calling is not accepting calls from them.
- **Priority Call:** Create a list of numbers that will have a ring distinctive from the default ring. Common uses are to distinguish personal calls (e.g., partner, children) or co-workers on the same Astound account vs. other callers (e.g., distinguishing which is a call from a client vs. co-worker). The distinctive ringtone is defaulted and cannot be altered/selected.
- **Anonymous Rejection:** If turned on, anonymous callers (calls with caller ID blocked/masked) will be rejected and will not go to voicemail. Callers will hear a message that you've blocked anonymous callers.

CONTACT Features



Speed Dial

> Speed Dials > New Speed Dial

One digit codes range from 2-9. Two-digit codes range from 20-49.

Type in the number to be dialed.

Press “Add”.

Note: Include all numbers needed to dial out, eg: area code + number.

Using Speed Dial

Dial the speed dial number then press “Dial” on phone.

To delete Speed Dial: Under Speed Dial, press the black X next to the speed dial to be removed.

Press “Apply”.

The screenshot shows a web interface for managing speed dials. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Home, Messages and Calls, and Contacts. The 'Contacts' tab is active, and a user profile for 'Jane Smith' is visible in the top right corner. Below the navigation, there are four sub-tabs: Contact List, Speed Dials (which is selected), Extensions, and Short Codes. A 'Clear List' button is located on the left. The main content area contains a message: 'Makes dialing faster by allowing you to assign a one or two digit code to speed dial to different telephone numbers. One digit codes can range from 2-9. Two digit codes can range from 20-49.' Below this message, it says 'You have no speed dials set up.' On the right side, there is a 'New Speed Dial' form with a 'Speed Dial' dropdown menu (currently showing '2'), a 'Number' input field, and an 'Add' button. There are also 'Apply' and 'Cancel' buttons at the top right of the form area.

CONTACT Features



Short Codes

A Short Code is a code specific to the Business Group or department that represents a (usually) external directory number or another code that can only be dialed within the Business Group or department (for example a Call Service access code). They can only be created by Administrators.

Short Codes may be either a single code (up to 7 digits) or a range of codes. Service Access Codes consist of a string of digits, and may optionally start with a * or #.

Short Code	Telephone Number or Service Access Code
7454-5329	(888) 888-8888 – (888) 888-8888



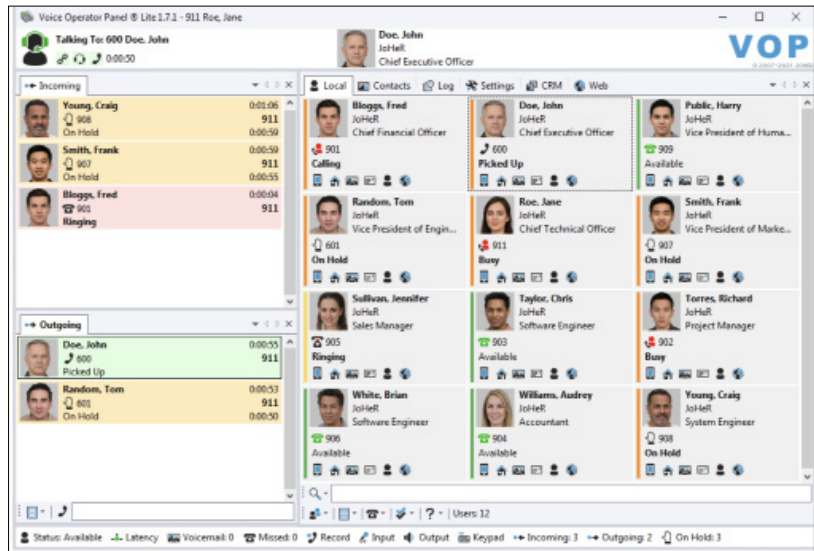
ASTOUND PHONE

Attendant Console



Attendant Console

Attendant Console is a specialized softphone with advanced capabilities for receptionists and front desk managers that allows them to manage multiple incoming calls at the same time seamlessly.



Adding this Service:

- Provides customers with a better user experience
- Manages medium to high call volume
- Offers more visibility within the workplace
- Provides call-flow efficiency

This service comes with:

- Presence status of a business's Hosted Voice Users
- Incoming and outgoing call dashboard
- Blind and Warm call transfer
- Local and External Directory
- Call Statistics Log

ASTOUND PHONE

Attendant Console



Attendant Console (Continued)

Other Features Include:

- Caller ID with Name and Contact's directory information
- Contacts' Presence & Phone status (Available, Ringing, Busy, Do Not Disturb, etc.)
- Detailed call log with filtering and search
- Call processing priority (red/orange/green)
- Timers for call duration and hold time
- Call forwarding (for all calls or for calls over a certain threshold)
- Call recording
- Email integration
- Headset support
- Call Statistics (current & peak number of incoming, outgoing, and calls on hold, number of missed calls)
- User customizable layout and font size adjustments for personalized experience

PHONE SET Features



Call Pickup

Call Pickup allows a subscriber on a Business Group Line to pick up an incoming call to any other line within a pre-defined group by dialing an access code.

Note: The Network Administrator will set up this feature for you.

1. Pick-up non-ringing phone, dial either:

* 1 1 or CALL PICK-UP

2. Ringing call will appear on the phone



Directed Call Pickup

Directed Call Pickup is a service that allows you to answer a call that is ringing on another line in the same business group. Additionally, some SIP phones can monitor the status of a line using Line State Monitoring. This means that, for example, an executive assistant can see when calls are made to the CEO, and pick them up when they are busy.

In order to use this feature, you will need to enable Directed Call Pickup and Line State Monitoring.

Once setup, simply dial:

* 1 2

Immediately followed by the business line extension.
The call will be picked up on your line.

PHONE SET Features



Do Not Disturb

This is a button on the phone that puts the line on standby. DND can also be enabled/disabled in the web portal.

Activation

DND * 7 8

Deactivation

DND * 7 9



Three-Way Calling

1. After receiving an incoming call
2. Press **CONFERENCE**
3. Enter the number you wish to conference in
4. Press **SEND**

Note: A split button will appear on the phone, this will allow the conference to be split into two separate lines. This feature is optional.

5. Third party picks up
6. Press **CONFERENCE** and all three parties are now on the line together

Note: Three way calling is not a conference bridge.

PHONE SET Features



Call Transfer

1. After receiving an incoming call
2. Press **TRANSFER**
3. Type number to transfer
4. Press **SEND**
5. Once the third party picks up
6. Press **TRANSFER** again, this completes the transfer

Note: The default option is a Warm or Consultative Transfer. Which means you will speak with the receiving party prior to transfer. You have the option to perform a Blind transfer if you would prefer. Press and hold the transfer to see the Blind Transfer option. A Blind Transfer will send the call immediately to the dialed Ext or Phone number.

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