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# Using a USB cable

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*Mobile connectivity*



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# Instruction symbols

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The following instruction symbols may appear in this Getting started guide:

	Tip
	Note
	Indicates that a service or function is network- or subscription-dependent. Additional fees may apply. Contact your network operator for details. All menus or functions may not be available in your phone. Consult your network operator for more information
>	Use the navigation key to scroll and select
	Press the navigation key up
	Press the navigation key down
	Press the navigation key left
	Press the navigation key right

## Introduction

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- ! Prior to use, please see important warranty information and terms for safe and efficient use separately provided. Please see the full User guide for important information, terms, and conditions regarding your use of this device and the features profiled in this guide.

You can connect your phone to a computer using a USB cable, to transfer files to and from a computer. You can also synchronise, transfer files and use your phone as a modem.

## Before using a USB cable

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You need a USB cable supported by your phone and a computer that supports USB connection. You also need one of these operating systems:

- Microsoft® Windows® 2000
- Microsoft® Windows® XP (Pro and Home)

- ! Do not remove the USB cable from your phone or computer during file transfer as this may corrupt the phone memory or the memory card.

# Connecting your phone to a computer

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You can use a USB cable supported by the phone to connect your phone to a computer. Depending on what you want to do, you need to choose between three different modes in the phone. Select **Phone mode** for charging the battery, **PictBridge** for printing pictures or **Mass storage** for transferring files.

An overview of the different phone modes:

Computer software	Connect using	Status of the phone	Note
	USB cable	Phone mode	For charging the battery
	USB cable	PictBridge	For printing pictures. To be used when connecting the phone to a printer using a USB cable
Microsoft® Windows® Explorer	USB cable	Mass storage	For transferring files. Some of the phone functions are turned off automatically

## *To connect your phone to a computer using a USB cable*

1. Make sure your phone is turned on.
2. Connect the USB cable to your phone and the computer.
3. **Phone:** Select a USB mode, for example, **Mass storage**.
4. **Computer:** Wait for the drivers to be installed automatically. If it is the first time you connect your phone to the computer, identify and name the phone, as requested.

 You can change the USB default mode in **Menu > Settings > the Connectivity tab > USB**.

## *To disconnect a USB cable safely*


 Do not disconnect the USB cable while transferring content as this may corrupt the content.

1. **Computer:** Click the *Safely remove hardware* icon on Windows status bar.
2. **Computer:** Select the drives you want to disconnect. Wait for the message *Safe to remove hardware – The device now can be safely removed from the system* to appear.
3. Disconnect the USB cable.

## Phone mode

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You can use **Phone mode** to charge the battery.

 The phone works as normal while it is charging in **Phone mode**.

### ***To charge the battery using Phone mode***

1. Connect the USB cable to your phone and the computer.
2. **Phone:** Select **Phone mode**.
3. **Computer:** Wait for the drivers to be installed automatically. If it is the first time you connect your phone to the computer, identify and name the phone, as requested.
4. **Computer:** If the *Found New Hardware Wizard* appears, click *Next* to continue.
5. **Computer:** Click *Finish*.
6. **Phone:** The battery starts to charge when **Charging** appears on the screen.

## Mass storage mode

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You can drag and drop files between your phone or memory card and a computer in Microsoft® Windows® Explorer.

- ! When you use **Mass storage** mode, do not disconnect the USB cable during file transfer as this may corrupt the files.

### ***To use Mass storage mode***

1. Connect the USB cable to the phone and the computer.
2. **Phone:** From standby select **Menu > Settings > the Connectivity tab > USB > Mass storage**.
3. **Computer:** Wait until the phone memory and memory card appear as external disks in Microsoft Windows Explorer.
4. **Computer:** Double-click the *My computer* icon on the computer desktop to check if the removable disks are there.
5. **Computer:** In the *My computer* window, double-click the icon representing your phone under *Devices with removable storage* to view the Phone Memory and Memory Stick folders.
6. Copy and paste your file, or drag and drop it, into the desired folder on your computer, in your phone memory or on your memory card.

## Troubleshooting

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### **Problems when trying to connect your phone to a computer**

If you have problems connecting your phone to a computer using a USB cable, restart your computer and reconnect your phone.

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