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**Rich Communications Services (RCS) Messaging**

Rich Communications Services (RCS) messaging is an enhanced messaging service that is used on the native messaging application of an RCS capable device.

RCS includes the following features over wireless and Wi-Fi networks:

1. Group messaging.
2. Indicators when messages are being typed, delivered, and read.
3. Message reactions.
4. High resolution photo/video sharing.
5. Location sharing.
6. Audio messages.

RCS messaging features only work when both devices, or all in a group, are RCS capable and have a data connection. If one or more users do not have RCS enabled or do not have a data connection, messages will use SMS or MMS for the whole group (text messaging or picture and video messaging) instead.

All SaskTel Phones using an iOS 18.4 or later operating system will have RCS messaging enabled by default in Messages.

RCS messages are not end-to-end encrypted, which means they are not protected from a third-party reading them while sent between devices.

Customer use of RCS messaging implies acceptance of Google's Privacy Policy, and Google Terms of Service.

**RCS messaging requirements**

In order to use RCS messaging a customer must have a SaskTel wireless monthly plan that includes data or an active Wi-Fi connection.

In order to access RCS, a SaskTel customer's Apple device must have:

1. iOS18.4 or later
2. The latest SaskTel carrier settings. SaskTel devices which are connected to the SaskTel network will have their carrier settings either automatically updated, or users will be prompted to install the update manually.

All Android devices support RCS.

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When roaming, RCS messages use roaming data, which will be deducted from a travel add-on (if applicable), daily rates or pay-per-use rates.