

Twitter Tutorial

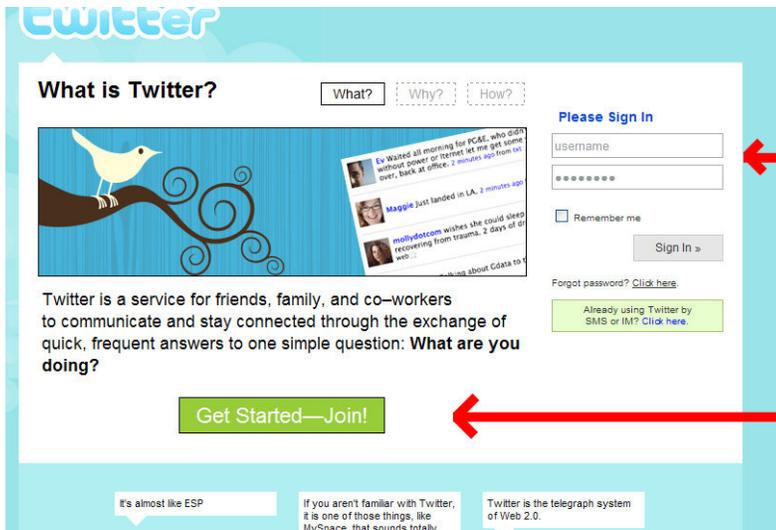
A Step by Step Tutorial for Using the Twitter Service

Twitter is a free service that we use on our website to instantly deliver updates to our readers (you). One benefit of using Twitter is that it allows us to send updates to your cell phone if you sign up properly. The following step-by-step tutorial is designed to show you how to enable text message updates on your phone using Twitter.

1. Open Internet Explorer (or your favorite web browser).
2. In the address bar, type in 'twitter.com' and hit Enter. This should open the twitter home page.



3. If you already have an account, sign-in using your credentials, otherwise go through the sign-up process.



Sign In

Sign Up

If you are signing up for a brand new account things can get a bit confusing, especially when you are presented with the following screen, I found it helpful to skip this step and clicked the button highlighted in red. This will take you right to

your new Twitter account.

Just provide a valid email address.

Check if anyone in your email contacts already has a Twitter account?

Check if anyone in your email contacts already has a Twitter account.

Search Web Email (Hotmail, Yahoo, Gmail, Etc.)

Your Email @ [Select...](#)

Email Password

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Email Security

We don't store your login, your password is submitted securely, and we don't email without your permission.

Or, Send Email Invitation

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Separate multiple email addresses with commas, ex: joe@twitter.com,jane@twitter.com

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4. The next step after you create your twitter account is to “follow” us. This just means that Twitter will let you know when we post an update. To do this, type ‘parksidehs’ into the search box on your profile page:

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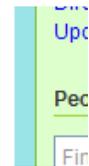
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5. If you did step four correctly then you should be presented with the following screen, click on 'follow', then go back to your profile page by clicking 'Home'.



6. Now, to enable Twitter to send text messages to your phone, click on 'Turn on your mobile phone'.

1. Tell us what **you're** doing in the box above
2. [Find some friends](#) and follow what **they're** doing
3. [Turn on your mobile phone](#) to update your friends on the go



7. On this page, you need to type your cell phone number with the area code and preceded by '+1'. For instance, if my cell phone number is 216-245-0102 then I need to type '+12162450102' in the text box. You also need to check the box that

says 'It's okay for Twitter to send txt messages to my phone. Std. rates apply.'

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Twitter is more fun when used through your mobile phone or instant messenger client. Set yours up!



Mobile Phone Number

It's okay for Twitter to send txt messages to my phone. Std. rates apply.

Please precede your number with a "+" and your country code.
Examples: +447781488126 or +12125551212. [Need help?](#)



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8. Click save and you will now be prompted to send a code to the number 40404. So using your cell phone start a new text message and send the code.

The screenshot shows the Twitter mobile interface for user 'nbyfleet'. At the top, there are navigation links: Home, Find & Follow, Public Timeline, and S. Below the user name, there are links for Account, Password, Phone & IM, Notices, Picture, and Design. A message states: 'Twitter is more fun when used through your mobile phone or instant messenger client. Set yours up!'. The main section is a yellow box with a phone icon and the text: 'Verify your number (+14404888347) by sending the following code to 40404:'. The code 'mjgwtw' is displayed in large green letters. Below the code is a button that says 'Delete and start over?'. Underneath is an 'Instant Messenger' section with an 'IM' icon, a text input field, a dropdown menu set to 'GTalk', and a 'Save' button. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with copyright information: '© 2006-2008 Twitter' and links for About Us, Contact, Blog, Explore!, API, Help, Jobs, TOS, and Privacy. On the right side, there is a green sidebar with text: 'About usi phone', 'Twitter re: you're aw computer', 'By hookin phone, yo updates f following people)w boring lin send upd there's a down the lets face i see while', 'It's all dor message you proba anyway, s to learn.', 'Twitter do anything f to know w looks like carrier.', and 'Also know'.

9. At this point the page is supposed to automatically redirect you as soon as Twitter receives your text message. For me, this did not happen. I would suggest waiting for two minutes after you have sent your text message and then hitting F5 on your keyboard to refresh the page. If everything goes well, you should see the following page:

The screenshot shows the Twitter mobile settings page for user 'nbyfleet'. At the top, the Twitter logo is on the left, and navigation links for 'Home', 'Find & Follow', 'Public Timeline', and 'Settings' are on the right. Below the user name, there are links for 'Account', 'Password', 'Phone & IM', 'Notices', 'Picture', and 'Design'. A message states: 'Twitter is more fun when used through your mobile phone or instant messenger client. Set yours up!'. The 'Mobile Phone' section shows a phone icon, the number '+14404888347', a 'Notifications:' dropdown menu set to 'On', a 'Save' button, and a 'Send updates to: 40404' field with a 'Delete and start over?' button. The 'Instant Messenger' section has an 'IM' icon, a text input field, a dropdown menu set to 'GTalk', and a 'Save' button. On the right side, there is a green sidebar with the heading 'About using Twitter phone' and several paragraphs of text explaining mobile updates. At the bottom, a footer contains copyright information and links: '© 2006-2008 Twitter About Us Contact Blog Explore! API Help Jobs TOS Privacy'.

All you have to do now is select 'On' from the dropdown and click save. You should now receive text message updates whenever we post updates to our Twitter account.