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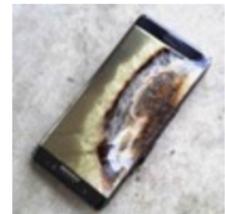
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Hammer finally falls as Samsung Galaxy Note 7 is officially, permanently discontinued

A day after Samsung issued two statements declaring that it was "adjusting production" of the troubled Galaxy Note 7 to respond to complaints and fires, the company announced on Tuesday that it has "consequently decided to stop production" — but the consequences of the entire debacle may extend for some time.



Take a Screen Shot with iOS 10 or iPhone 7

Having difficulty taking screen shots in iOS 10? Try this approach

instead

- Press down the Power / Lock button and Home button simultaneously as usual, but press the Power button a fraction of a second before the Home button



You can tell the screenshot has been successful as indicated by the screen flashing briefly.

The key difference with iOS 10 is simply pressing the Power / Lock button first as part of the concurrent Power & Home button screen shot maneuver. You still need to press Power and Home buttons simultaneously, press both buttons down at the same time, but place your finger on the Power button first in that process. The difference is barely a fraction of a second but it appears to matter, as the screenshot mechanism is a bit more finicky in iOS 10 with any iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch. This is particularly true on the iPhone 7 and iPhone 7 Plus without physical clicking Home buttons, and with iPhone 7 it even works better to press the Power button first and hold it slightly longer than usual as you press down on the Home button. You will see the screen flash demonstrating the screenshot was captured.



If you go the other route and press the Home button a fraction of a second before the Power button, you'll almost always get sent to the Home Screen, or wind up with Siri instead.

The reason this issue only appears to impact some users and not everyone is likely due to slight variations in how people were taking screenshots in the first place. For example, if you were in the habit of doing a quick-press of both the Home and Power button, or to press the Home button first, you're more likely to experience the unexpected result of going to the Home screen, finding Siri, or locking the display, rather than taking a screenshot. Try the Power button first and slightly longer press approach discussed here instead, it's a very minor change to behavior but it makes all the difference.

iOS 10.0.2 Update Released with Bug Fixes for iPhone & iPad



Apple has released iOS 10.0.2 (build 14A456), the small update includes multiple bug fixes for iOS 10 on any compatible iPhone or iPad.

How to Restart iPhone 7 and iPhone 7 Plus

If you are an iPhone 7 owner, you may be wondering how to restart an iPhone 7 or iPhone 7 Plus given that it does not have a clickable Home button. It turns out that iPhone 7 models do not need the pushable Home button to forcibly restart the device, because they instead rely on the volume buttons.

Let's review how to restart an iPhone 7 and iPhone 7 Plus. It may be a little unusual at first if you're accustomed to the old way of **force rebooting other iOS devices** with a clickable Home button, but it's just as easy despite being a bit different.

Forcibly Restarting iPhone 7

A forced restart is not the traditional restart procedure of shutting down and starting back up. A forced restart is typically necessary when a device has frozen or crashed or is otherwise unresponsive. Some people erroneously call it a force reset or a iPhone reset, but resetting a device actually **resets it to factory settings** which is not at all what a forced restart or forced reboot does.



Press and Hold the DOWN VOLUME Button and Power Button to

Initiate Force Restart

The Power button is located on the right side of the iPhone 7 device looking straight on to the glass face.

The Volume Down button is located on the left side of the iPhone 7 if you're looking at the glass screen face.

All you need to do is hold both Volume Down and Power concurrently to start the force restart process on iPhone 7 and iPhone 7 Plus.

Keep Holding Volume Down and Power Until You See Apple Logo

Continue holding down both the Volume Down and Power buttons on iPhone 7 until you see the Apple  logo appear on the screen.

Once the Apple logo appears on the display you can stop holding the buttons, the iPhone 7 has successfully been restarted.

Easy, right?

The key thing to remember is that with restarting iPhone 7 and iPhone 7 Plus (and likely restarting future iPad and iPhone models too, which are sure to do away with the traditional home button...) is that rather than holding the Home button, which is no longer clickable, you hold down the Volume Down button instead, which remains clickable. The power button usage remains the same.

Reboot iPhone 7 & iPhone 7 Plus



It's different, but once you reboot an iPhone 7 this way a few times you'll learn the new habit. You'll almost certainly want to memorize it too, because the iPhone is usually on the forefront of changes made to the Apple product line up, which suggests that all future iPhone and iPad hardware without a typical clicking home button will have the same mechanism to reboot those devices.

And yes for a simple restart of iPhone 7, you can still shut down the iPhone 7 and iPhone 7 Plus and then boot it back up again as usual.

iOS 10 Battery Life Draining Too Fast? Check These Helpful Tips



Is your battery draining faster with iOS 10? It shouldn't be, but some people have felt that **updating to iOS 10** has reduced the battery life on their iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch. If you suspect that updating to iOS 10 has changed your battery life for the worse, read on to learn some potential reasons for this, as well as some reasonable solutions.

0: Wait! Are you using it more?

iOS 10 brings a lot of improvements and changes to the iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch experience, a side effect of that is people tend to use their devices a lot more right after updating to a new iOS release. Well, when you use your device more, the battery drains faster.

This is a very common occurrence with new iOS updates as people explore the new features on their iPhones and iPads, so consider this if you feel the device is draining faster than usual... maybe you're just using the device more than you realize?

Fortunately, it's really easy to check how long you've been using your iPhone or iPad since it was last charged, which should give you an idea of battery life and your usage. Go to "Settings" and then to "Battery" and scroll down to see "Time Since Last Full Charge" to see the usage and standby times, which gives you an idea of how well the battery is performing.

1: Plug it in overnight

This might sound like odd advice, but one of the best things to do after updating to iOS 10 is to plug in your iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch, let the screen turn off, and do nothing for an extended period of time. Letting it sit plugged in overnight while you sleep is perfect for this.

This can help because iOS 10 does a lot of indexing and scanning of your pictures and data in the background, for features ranging from Spotlight to new Siri abilities to the Photos sorting and searching functions. While you can certainly use your iPhone or iPad while those background tasks are taking place, the device might **appear slower** or might seem to have a rapidly draining battery, when in fact it's just iOS 10 doing what it needs to do to be entirely usable. For large devices that are nearly full of photos and other stuff, the indexing and

maintenance processes can take many hours, sometimes extending beyond even 12 hours. So wait a day or two and make sure it has been plugged in and not in use for a notable amount of that time.

2: Restart

A common trick that may help battery life is to **restart the iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch**. You can do the typical restart of turning the device off and then back on again, or **force reboot**. Sometimes a simple device reboot does the trick.

3: Follow the Battery Life Advice in Battery Settings

New to iOS 10 is the ability for the device to specifically recommend battery saving suggestions to prolong battery life. Typically this means making adjustments to usage like reducing the devices screen brightness.

- Go to Settings > Battery > look for “Battery Life Suggestions”

You’ll see what is offered for your device, then follow that advice. And yes, it’s good advice.



You can then tap on each item to jump directly to it in Settings. And yes really, reducing your screen brightness will have a big impact on battery life.

4: Disable Background App Refresh

Background App Refresh is a nice feature but in practice it tends to consume more battery life by allowing apps to do more activity in the background. Thus, disabling Background App Refresh tends to increase battery life, and many users don't even notice the difference from turning it off.

- Open Settings and go to to “General”, choose “Background App Refresh” and turn the top switch to the OFF position to disable the feature

5: Use Reduce Motion

Reducing the amount of visual effects in iOS may offer a minor improvement to battery life:

- Go to Settings > Accessibility > Reduce Motion > ON

Note doing this will **cause iMessage effects to not work** so only adjust Motion if you don't care about the fancy message lasers, slams, and confetti type effects.

6: Disable Location Services You Don't Need or Use

Location services and GPS usage can hit the battery particularly hard if they are used extensively, so disabling some of the location features can help your battery last longer.

- Open Settings > Privacy > Location Services
- Adjust settings appropriate for your usage, setting to “Never” or “While Using” as needed per app and feature

This is universally good advice for prolonging battery life and doesn't apply just to iOS 10.

How to Handwrite Messages with iPhone and iOS 10



Did you know you can handwrite messages and notes in Messages for iOS 10 on your iPhone? With this feature you can scribble out a little note or sketch a simple drawing and send it along to any recipient.

Unlike some of the more obvious new Messages features in the latest versions of iOS that have buttons and toggles immediately visible in the Messages app, the handwriting ability is a little hidden. We'll show you how to reveal the handwriting option so that you can send doodles and notes over iMessage.

You'll need a modern version of iOS to have this feature, any iPhone or iPad running anything beyond iOS 10.0 contains handwritten messaging support along with the many other new Messaging features, like [iMessage stickers](#) and [effects](#).

Access & Use Handwriting in Messages for iOS

1. Open the Messages app and then go into any message thread, or send a new message



Text Message
Today 10:11 AM

You want some hand
written amazing stuff?

Want to be impressed
with my iPhone
handwriting skills?



2. Tap into the text entry box, then rotate the iPhone into the horizontal position



3. Write your handwritten message or note, then tap on "Done" to insert it into the conversation



4. Tap on Send as usual to send the handwritten message to the recipient



If you rotate the iPhone and don't see the handwriting option automatically, you will need to keep the iPhone in the sideways position and then tap on the little squiggle button, it's in the corner of the keyboard and kind of looks like a cursive 'o' or a tailed loop of some sort.



You'll also want to make sure that **orientation lock** is not toggled on and preventing rotation.

You can enter and exit handwriting mode simply by rotating the iPhone between horizontal and vertical mode while in any Message thread. The recipient does not need to be on a modern version of iOS or even an iPhone, the message will just arrive as a picture iMessage or MMS if applicable.

By the way, if you want rotate the iPhone and you want just a wider keyboard like in earlier versions of iOS, tapping the keyboard button in the corner will hide the handwritten messages panel and reveal the keyboard as usual within iMessages.

On the receiving end of the handwritten messages, they come across to other iPhone and iPad users as animated initially, as if they are being written out on the device, which is a nice effect. You can even save the messages as a picture file if you want to.

The image shows the word "Bagele" written in a cursive, handwritten style in blue ink. The letters are connected and fluid, with a slight shadow or glow effect around them, giving it a three-dimensional appearance as if it were a sticker or a message on a screen.

And if you're on a Mac, you get to see the handwritten messages too, unlike many of the other iOS message effects. It's a fun feature overall, and though it's intended for handwriting you can also scribble drawings and anything else as well.

Other useful links that you can click on:

7 of the Best iOS features to use right now: <http://osxdaily.com/2016/09/14/best-ios-10-features/>

iOS 10: Where's Slide to Unlock? How to Disable "Press Home to Unlock" in iOS 10: <http://osxdaily.com/2016/09/15/disable-press-home-to-unlock-ios/>

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How to Migrate Everything to iPhone 7 from an Old iPhone: <http://osxdaily.com/2016/09/17/transfer-data-to-new-iphone-7/>

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