

iOS7 Security Settings

But **iOS 7** isn't perfect. Some privacy settings you'll want to change right away to keep your personal information secure .

iOS 7's location-based apps track and record the places you visit most often. To see which apps are tracking your location, go to Settings>> Privacy>>Location Services>>System Services. Scroll down and turn on the Status Bar icon.

This arrow-like icon tells you at a glance when an app is tracking your location. Be sure to read the detailed instructions on what the various colors mean.

There are some other settings you should change while you're in System Services.

Turn off the Diagnostics and Usage setting. It collects information on how you use your gadget and sends the data back to Apple.

Just below it, **turn off Location-Based iAds.** This is Apple's mobile ad platform. It tracks what you see and do on your gadget to create targeted ads.

Select Frequent Locations and change the setting to Off. Not only will this protect your privacy, it'll help preserve your gadget's battery life. It won't have to constantly check your location.

Of course, the iOS Web browser is tracking you, too. This is a tricky one to fix. Go **to Settings>>Safari.** **Turn ON the Do Not Track option.** Yes, I said to turn it ON.

Finally, there's a big security flaw in the new iOS 7 that you should know about. Snoops can bypass the iOS 7 lock screen using the Control Center and a combination of key presses. They can get into your photos and other private apps.

Apple says this bypass will be fixed in an upcoming update. In the meantime, here's a simple do-it-yourself fix.

Go to Settings>>Control Center. Turn off the Access on Lock Screen setting. You won't have the Control Center on the lock screen, but no one else will either.

So, should you download Apple's newest operating software? Definitely.

The best part is that it's easy. On your gadget, go to Settings>>General>>Software Update and click Install. Make sure you're on a Wi-Fi connection before doing this. It's going to download a big file.

New Neat Features with iOS7

New **Flashlight** in the **Control Panel** that is accessed by sliding up on your screen from anywhere. However don't leave it on for a long time because it will drain your battery!

Do not Disturb is also in the **Control Panel**, plus a multitude of other accessible features.

Notifications are available by swiping down from the top of the screen. Also give weather forecast and lets you know how busy you will be for that day!

Easy way to close apps, when there are many open, tap the home button twice, this will bring up the sliding carousel with the screenshots of your apps, swipe either way to navigate between them, tap once will jump to that app, tap it and swipe up to close it!

New features in iOS7 Camera, from filters to shooting modes. One thing you may not see or know about, when you are going to take a picture, gently hold down the volume down button to focus your shot, push the volume up to snap the picture. When in Panorama Mode, you can touch the arrow to change directions for doing your panorama shot, not new in iOS7, but something cool you maybe didn't know!

Siri can now be a man or woman's voice. Go to settings > General > find Siri, then "voice gender".

iOS7 also has a an **Activation Lock** and it prevents anyone from disabling the Find My iPhone feature on our gadget without your Apple ID and Password, which makes it tough for criminals to hack into your gadget and wide it. To turn on Activation Lock, just turn on **FIND MY I PHONE** and turn it on. **Activation Lock** will turn on automatically.

Swiping from right to left from any app does different things. Give it a try you never know what cool things you will find!

