

The 6 best free fax services for sending and receiving documents

Each one has its pros and cons, so be careful which you choose.



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If you need to send a fax, don't sweat. There are plenty of ways of free fax services that will help you send your cover sheet or other documents online and in a matter of minutes.

Remember faxes? These relics scanned documents and sent them to another machine where they were magically printed out. To this day, fax machines, once consumer products found in most households, are still used by businesses to send and receive important legal documents, notes, and reports. Every now and then, like when dealing with binding contracts or financial documents, you'll be required to fax—not email, message, or tweet—important papers to someone.

The digital revolution didn't kill fax, but it did cause it to evolve. Because so few people kept their fax machines after the emergence of email, there needed to be an easy way to fax documents electronically. This led to a flood of free online fax services that let you send a digital file to a physical fax machine or receive a physical fax in an electronic format, some of which even allow you to convert email to faxes.

Each of these free online fax services comes with its own set of features, interfaces, and upgrades. We're going to focus on those that don't require a monthly subscription plan. If you need to send a fax but don't have a fax machine, these are the top free fax services to use.

The 6 best free fax services

1) [GotFreeFax](#)

This service lets you fax two documents per day with a maximum of three pages for each upload. That's an already generous plan made better by low subscription prices should you need to send more documents. FaxZero (see below) may have a slight edge since it lets you send five free faxes per day, but unlike that service, GotFreeFax doesn't plaster its branding everywhere. We prefer GotFreeFax for that reason alone, even if it's light on features.

**GotFreeFax**
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Sender Info

Name*

Company

Fax #

Email*

Receiver Info

Name*

Company

Fax #*

Subject

Fax Content

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B I U *Format*

Enter text to fax, or upload file to fax, or both

Upload PDF/Doc/JPG files to fax

No file chosen

No file chosen

No file chosen

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Free Fax Service

- Truly FREE!
- Free fax cover page, **No Ads**
- 3 pages per fax maximum
- 2 free faxes per day maximum

Premium Pay-Per-Fax Service

- **Fax 1 document** up to 30 pages
- Priority delivery
- Free fax cover page, No Ads
- Secure payment via PayPal
- Encrypted connection
- Technical support

When you visit the site, you're immediately greeted to the webpage used to fax documents. It's not the prettiest or best organized, but it's refreshingly straightforward. You don't have to worry about clicking through links to get to the important stuff and there's no registration required. Just fill in your name and email along with the recipient's name and fax number and select the "Send FREE Fax Now!" button.

Like FaxZero, GotFreeFax doesn't allow for incoming faxes, so you're stuck having a one-way conversation.

2) [FaxZero](#)

FaxZero has an impressive free fax option when compared to other services. It lets users send five faxes per day with a maximum of three pages and a cover for each. This can all be done without signing up for the service, so you don't have to worry about your personal information being misused.

In terms of usability, FaxZero is nothing special. Its stripped-down uploading interface only requires that you enter contact information and the fax number you want to send to. You then upload a document (.DOC, .DOCX, or PDF) using a standard "choose file" upload menu, type your cover letter text, and press send.

The screenshot displays the FaxZero web interface, which is divided into three main sections: Sender Information, Receiver Information, and Fax Information.

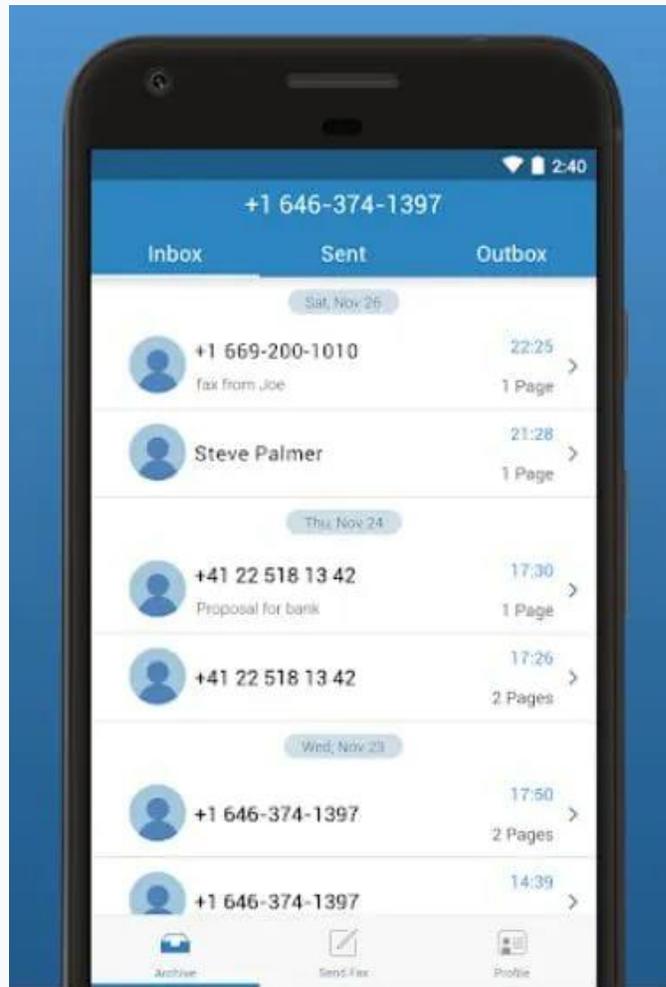
- Sender Information:** Located on the left side with a green background, it includes input fields for Name*, Company, Email*, and Phone #*.
- Receiver Information:** Located on the right side with a blue background, it includes input fields for Name*, Company, and Fax #*.
- Fax Information:** Located at the bottom with a white background, it contains:
 - A section for file uploads with three "Choose Files" buttons, each followed by the text "No file chosen".
 - A rich text editor with a toolbar containing icons for Bold (B), Italic (I), Underline (U), Strikethrough (ABC), Bulleted List, Numbered List, and Paragraph. A dropdown menu is currently set to "Paragraph".
 - A text area for the cover page with the instruction: "Type text to appear on the cover page: (You can use just an attachment, just text, or both.)".
 - A "Confirmation Code*" field with the value "3GKHQ" displayed below it.

You're right if you thought this sounded too good to be true. There are several cons you should know about before settling on FaxZero. The biggest potential deal-breaker with this free service is that the FaxZero logo will appear on your cover pages. Also, you can't receive faxed pages, and there is no mobile app.

That said, FaxZero is still a top contender among free fax services online. If you want something super easy to use, don't need to send a packet of documents, and are OK with branding, then FaxZero is a solid, frustration-free choice.

3) Fax.Plus

Few online fax services offer a free tier and most that do give you a non-replenishing number of pages you can fax. That's the case with Fax.Plus, which lets you fax 10 pages before the free period is replaced by a subsequent charge of 20 cents per page. This trial of sorts does not let you receive faxed documents.



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The page restriction is rather strict, but it'll do the trick for isolated occasions when you find yourself needing to fax something in a pinch. Unfortunately, you do have to sign up or sign into an email account to use Fax.Plus. That means giving it your name, email, and a password. If that's not bad enough, it then asks you to verify your account with a phone number.

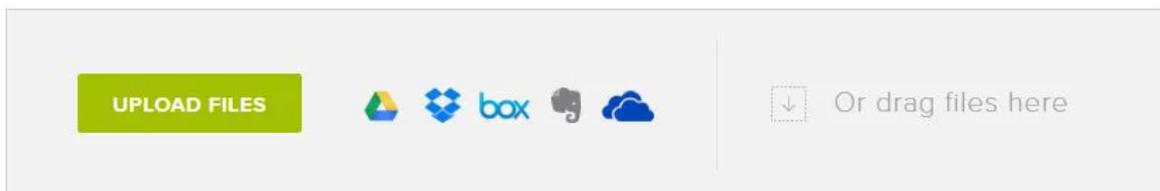
While the setup process is obnoxious, things get much better once you're in. Fax.Plus has the best user interface of any free fax service we tested, with

simple icons, snappy animations, and no ads. Uploading and sending a file takes no effort, and there's even a place for you to add contacts to your profile.

There are also Fax.Plus [Android](#) and [iOS](#) apps, both of which are among the top-rated free fax apps in their respective stores.

4) [HelloFax](#)

With its clean, modern interface and simple menus, HelloFax is among the easiest free fax services to use. There's even a simple 60-second tutorial for people who aren't computer savvy. We're happy to report that HelloFax is one of few services on this list that looks and feels like it came from this decade.



Enter a fax number

+1 555-123-4567 or email@example.com

+ Add Recipient

SEND

Its feature set is also excellent, offering integration with [Google Drive](#), [Dropbox](#), Box, OneDrive, and Evernote to store and access files. In terms of what it offers for free fax services, HelloFax easily outperforms its competition. You can fax internationally to more than 70 countries, edit and sign faxes, and use secure cloud storage.

Unfortunately, the free tier at HelloFax is severely limited, perhaps more than any other on this list. While its feature set is excellent, you can only send five fax pages before you'll be charged 10 cents per fax up to 10 pages and 20 cents after. Alternatively, you can stall a bit longer by signing up for a free 30-day trial

to one of its subscription plans. No matter what option you take, you'll quickly end up paying out of pocket.

If not for the restrictions on how many pages you can send for free, HelloFax would easily top this list. Instead, it's only a viable free option for people who rarely need to fax.

5) [eFax Free](#)

eFax Free is unique in that it's one of few services to offer customers a free *incoming* fax feature. That is, users can receive faxes. You can receive up to 10 faxes via email each month without spending any money. Faxed documents are stored for 30 days in a message center and you can view them from eFax's mobile app.

The screenshot shows the eFax Free account dashboard. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links: MY ACCOUNT HOME, VIEW FAXES, SEND FAXES, UPDATE ACCOUNT, HELP, and LOGOUT. Below the navigation bar, the page title is "My Account" and the user's eFax number is displayed as "+1 203 632 2481". A welcome message reads: "Phil Tracy, welcome to your eFax account! Use the quick links below to access a host of online features available to you." There are four main feature tiles: 1. "VIEW FAXES" with a stack of papers icon, description: "View, forward and search your entire archive of faxes; now with lifetime storage." 2. "SEND FAXES" with an envelope icon, description: "Experience the ease and convenience of sending a fax, or upgrade now to send faxes without limits." 3. "UPDATE ACCOUNT" with a gear icon, description: "Update your profile, billing information, account preferences and service plan." 4. "HELP" with a lifebuoy icon, description: "Find the online help you need to get the most out of your eFax service."

Once you sign up, you'll be given a random fax number to give to whoever is sending over documents. The eFax website may be easy to use but looks like an email client from a decade ago. Features included in the free tier are few and far between. File sizes are limited to 300MB, you can't send faxes, and there is no electronic signature.

Also, once you've hit your 10 fax limit, eFax will prompt you to upgrade to its robust (and relatively pricey) paid plans. Despite the limit, eFax Free is a great option if you only need to receive faxed documents, not send them.

6) [FaxBetter Free](#)

Last but not least is FaxBetter Free. The service provides you with a toll free fax number and automatically sends you email alerts whenever a new fax is received, complete with a PDF copy of the fax as well. Users can store up to roughly 1,000 pages worth of faxes in their FaxBetter Free account and receive up to 50 pages of faxes every month.



In order to retain your original toll free number, users must receive a fax at least once every 7 days. And while you can receive faxes with your FaxBetter Free account, those looking to send faxes must upgrade their account.

FaxBetter's Premium account, which starts at around \$5.95 per month, lets users store unlimited faxes and receive up to 500 pages every month. All pages beyond that will cost users around \$0.02 per page.

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