

Dealing with Zoom-bombing

Risks:

1. Screen sharing inappropriate content
2. Inappropriate content on video camera
3. Inappropriate sound via audio
4. Inappropriate names and/or pronouns
5. Inappropriate profile photos
6. Inappropriate chat messages
7. Inappropriate direct messages to other participants
8. Inappropriate files posted in chat

Precautionary measures:

1. Non-impactful
 - a. Lock down non-essential features.
 - i. Whiteboard
 - ii. Notes
 - iii. AI
 - b. Screen share - host and co-host only.
 - c. Turn off file sharing.
 - d. Turn off annotations.
2. Impactful
 - a. Disable profile pictures.
 - b. Restrict Chat.
 - i. Suggest meeting business only.
 - c. Restrict renaming.
 - i. Host reviews names upon entry and during the meeting.
 - d. Require authentication
 - i. People must sign into their zoom account before joining.
 - Provides traceability for participant actions, which discourages malicious behavior, because actors can be reported to Zoom.
 - e. Implement waiting room.
 - i. Host must admit participants – may be cumbersome.
 - Provides a buffer between the meeting and a bad actor - a proactive review by the host and immediate recognition of a newcomer and potential bad actor.

Response to an incident

1. Click **Host Tools >>> Suspend All Participant Activities >>> Suspend** (leave **Report to Zoom** *checked*)
 - a. Immediately stops problem.
 - b. Participants are all put in the waiting room.
2. Host should ***announce verbally that the meeting has been temporarily suspended*** due to inappropriate activity.
 - a. After suspending all participant activities, participants will be able to hear the host, but other attendees will all be muted.
3. Address bad actor.
 - a. Remove from meeting and block.
4. Re-admit others.
5. Re-enable other features
 - a. Allow unmute, etc.