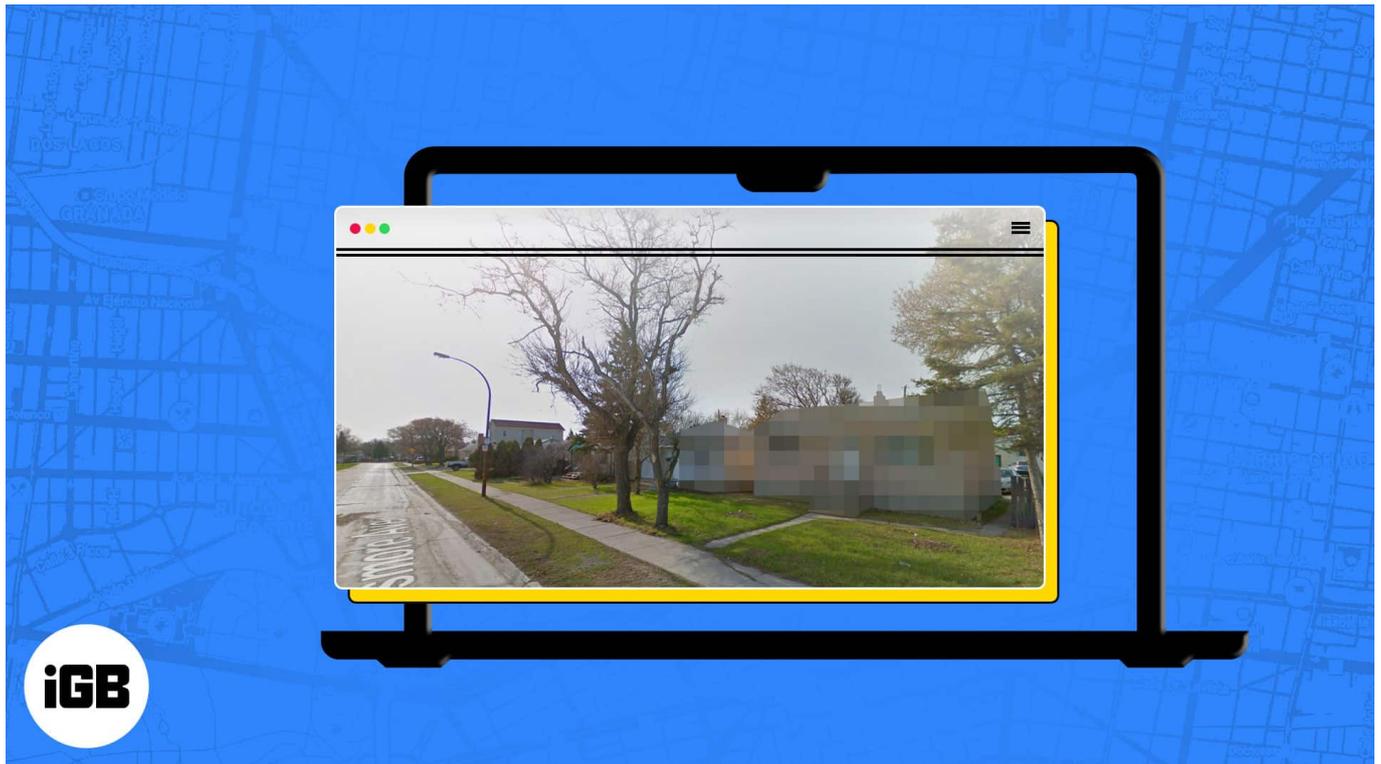


If you're concerned by Google Maps Street View 360 cameras snapping images of your house or apartment, you can ask them to obscure the address. As a concerned citizen, protecting the privacy of one's home is of paramount importance. In this article, I've discussed how you can blur your house in Google Maps on Mac.



However, before submitting a request to obscure your house, make sure your decision is final, as you cannot unblur your property after the request is accepted. If you're certain, then go with the instructions below.

## Why should you blur your house on Google Maps?

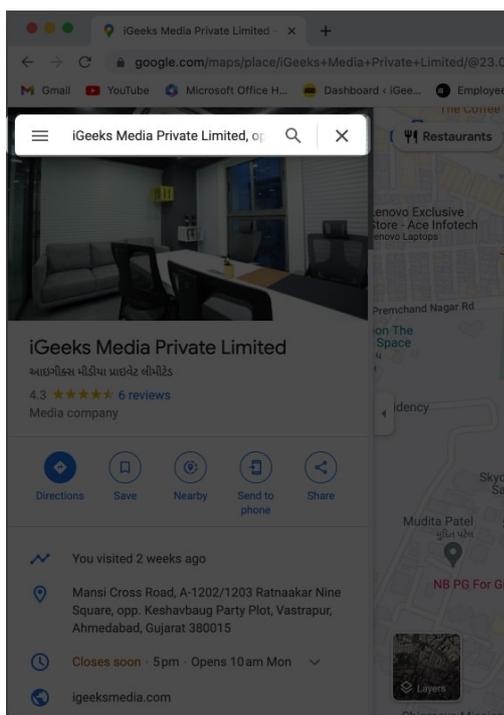
- **Privacy concerns:** You might not want strangers on the internet to be able to see your residence.
- **Security concerns:** If your house is visible on Google Maps, you may be more exposed to burglary or other criminal activity.
- **Preventing commercial use without consent:** You may choose to restrict the use of your home for commercial reasons without your permission, such as in real estate listings or commercials.
- **Protecting personal information:** Blurring your residence on Google Maps prevents

the address from being revealed, thereby preventing unwanted solicitations or visitors.

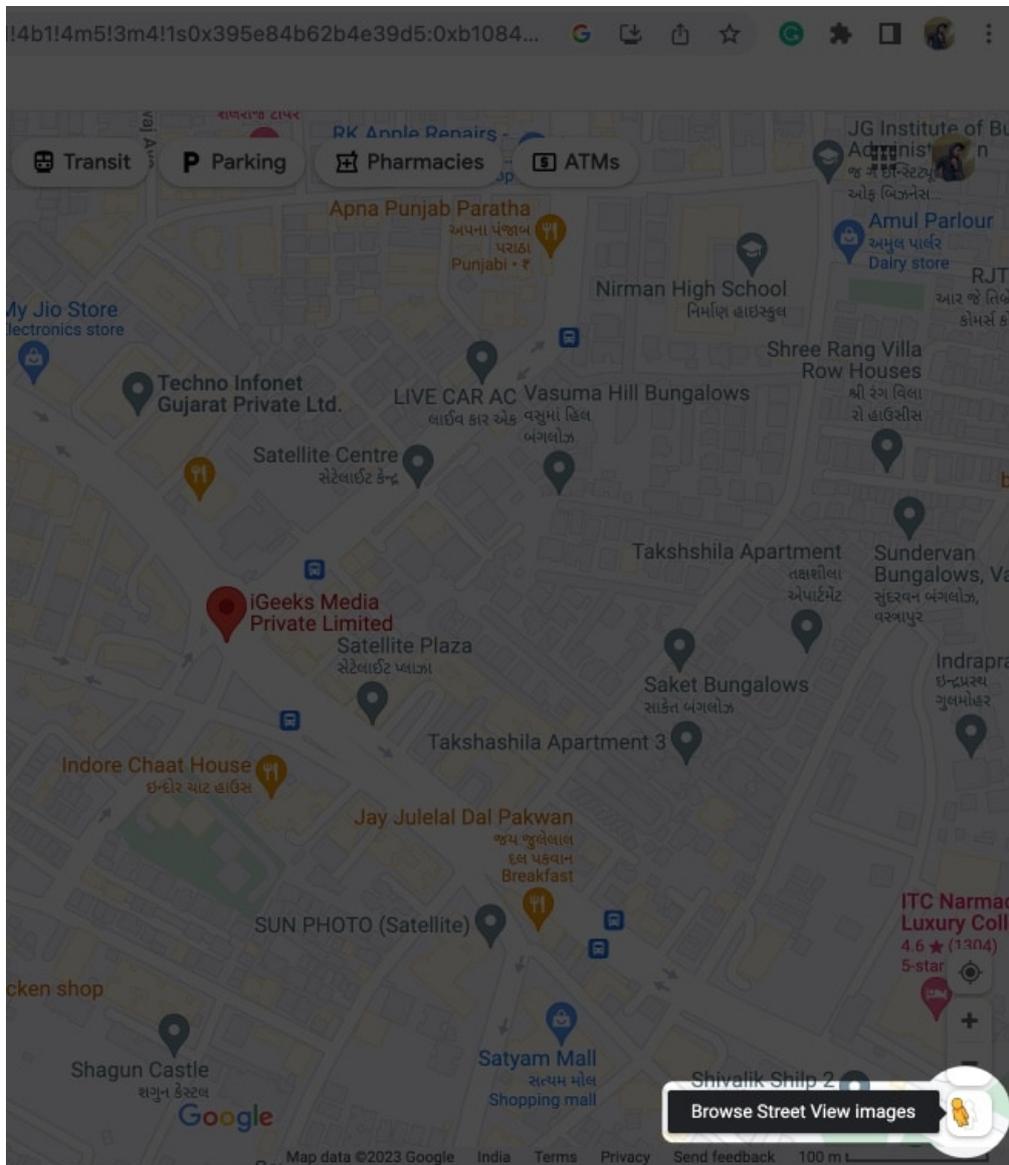
**Note:** The blurring feature isn't available in Google Maps for iOS or Android.

## How to blur your home in Google Street View on Mac or PC

1. Open any **browser** on your Mac or PC. *I'm using Google Chrome.*
2. Head to [Google Maps](#).
3. Type **your home address** in the Search box.



4. Select and drag the **yellow human icon** to the street next to your house.



5. Click **Report a Problem** in the bottom right.  
Alternatively, you can click the **three dots** icon → select **Report a Problem**.



6. Adjust your house to be inside the **red rectangular box**.

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Image preview: *Adjust the view of the image so that it is focused on the part of the image you are reporting*



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Why are you reporting this image? (Please choose from one set of options.)

**Request blurring:** What would you like us to blur?

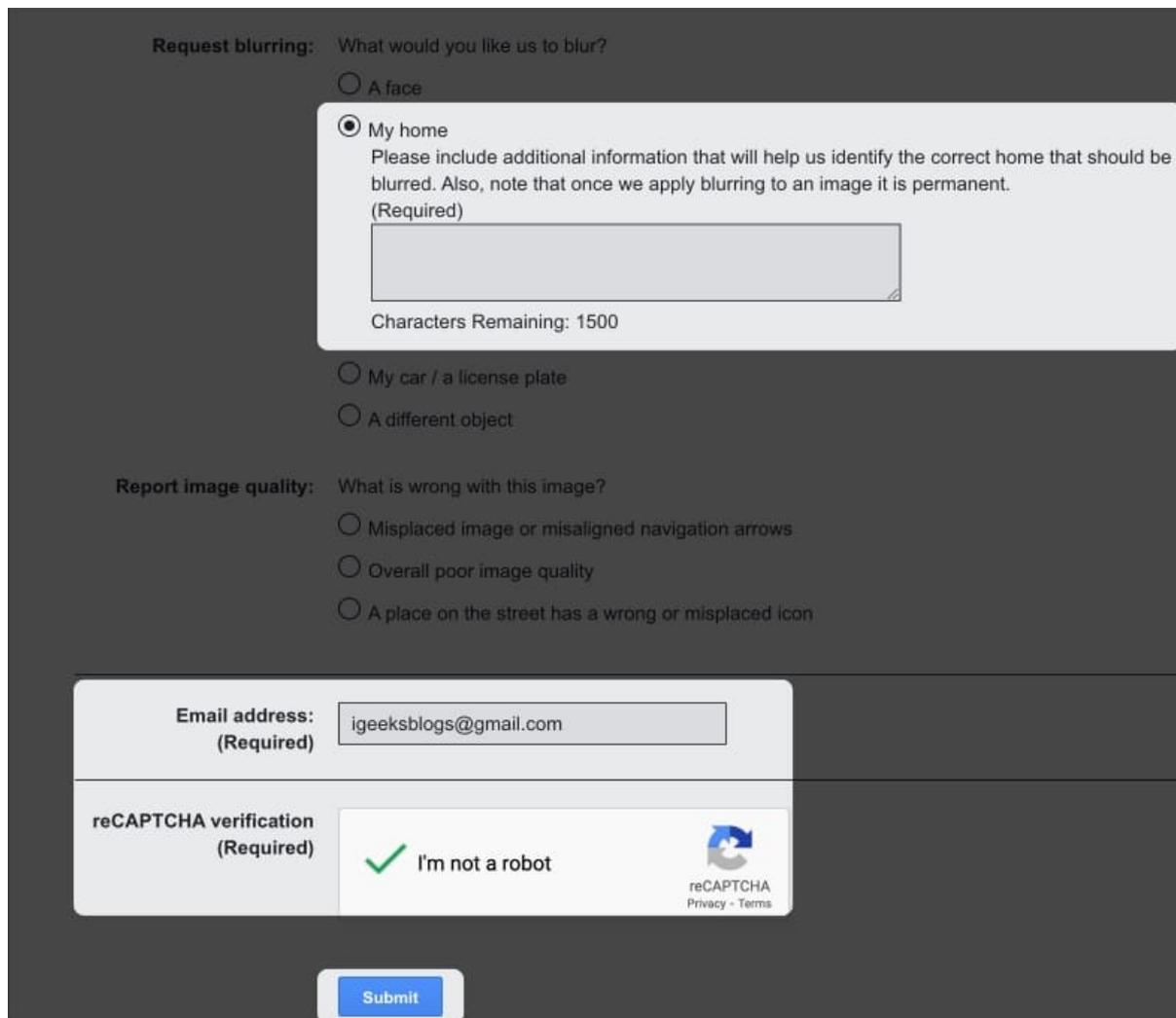
A face

My home

Please include additional information that will help us identify the correct home that should be blurred. Also, note that once we apply blurring to an image it is permanent.  
(Required)

Characters Remaining: 1500

7. In the Request Blurring section, select **My Home**.  
Provide additional information in the grey box below.
8. Give the **other required information** and complete the **reCAPTCHA verification**.
9. Click **Submit**.



The image shows a dark-themed web form for requesting a blur on a Google Map. The form is divided into two main sections: 'Request blurring' and 'Report image quality'.  
**Request blurring:** The question is 'What would you like us to blur?'. There are three radio button options: 'A face', 'My home', and 'My car / a license plate'. The 'My home' option is selected. Below this, there is a text input field with a placeholder for additional information. A note states: 'Please include additional information that will help us identify the correct home that should be blurred. Also, note that once we apply blurring to an image it is permanent. (Required)'. Below the input field, it says 'Characters Remaining: 1500'.  
**Report image quality:** The question is 'What is wrong with this image?'. There are three radio button options: 'Misplaced image or misaligned navigation arrows', 'Overall poor image quality', and 'A place on the street has a wrong or misplaced icon'.  
**Form Fields:** At the bottom, there is an 'Email address: (Required)' field with the value 'igeeksblogs@gmail.com'. Below that is a 'reCAPTCHA verification (Required)' section showing a green checkmark and the text 'I'm not a robot', along with the reCAPTCHA logo and 'Privacy - Terms' link. A blue 'Submit' button is at the very bottom.

You will be redirected to a page with a thank you message and will also receive an e-mail at your registered e-mail address.

**Note:** Google has not provided a procedure for checking the status of your blurring request.

## How to find and determine if your house is already blurred in Google Maps

It is a good idea to double-check whether you have blurred your residence or not.

1. Go to the **Google Maps Street View** page.
2. Search for your **address**.
3. Click the **image** with your house on the left side under the Photos section.

4. Compare your **house's image** to that of the nearby homes.

It is already blurred if you see a forged, deformed, or pixelated image of your residence.

## FAQs

### Q. How long it typically takes to receive a response?

Google has not formally committed to a timeframe for responding to your request to blur your property in Street View on Google Maps.

### Q. Is there a way to blur my house on Apple Maps?

Yes, you can blur your house on Apple Maps by sending an e-mail to **MapsImageCollection@apple.com** and requesting that your property be censored and hidden.

### Q. How to make Google Maps the default on iPhone?

It is simple to change the default browser on your iPhone. Here's [how to set Google Maps as your default browser on your iPhone](#).

## That's it!

Google Maps is a very useful app when walking down unknown streets. With the addition of features like the ability to [measure the distance between two points](#), [plan trips](#), and [offline maps](#), it has improved very significantly. However, it could, at times, breach your privacy, so it's safe to blur your home on Google Maps. Want me to cover more such topics? Let me know in the comments below.

## Read more:

- [How to change Google Maps Voice Search language on iPhone and iPad](#)
- [How to turn on dark mode in Google Maps on iPhone](#)
- [Use Incognito mode in Google Maps for iPhone and iPad](#)