

We've all experienced the overwhelming feeling of being swamped with email. So it's useful to know how to delete all your emails at once on your iPhone to save time and effort.

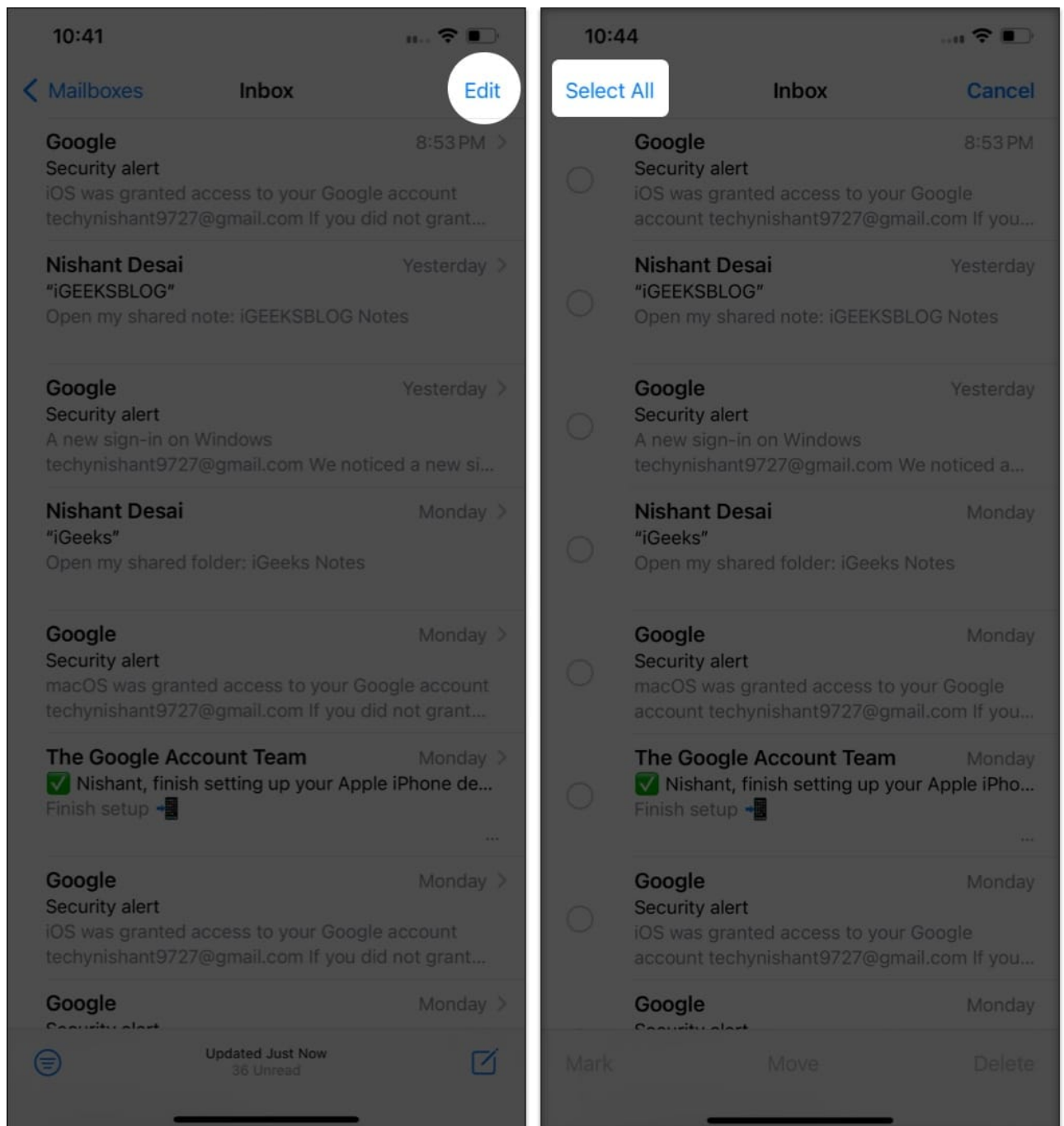
In this article, I'll show you can quickly get rid of emails in Gmail, Outlook, Yahoo, or any other accounts you've added to your iPhone or iPad. This can help free up space and keep you organized. Here's how to take control of your inbox.

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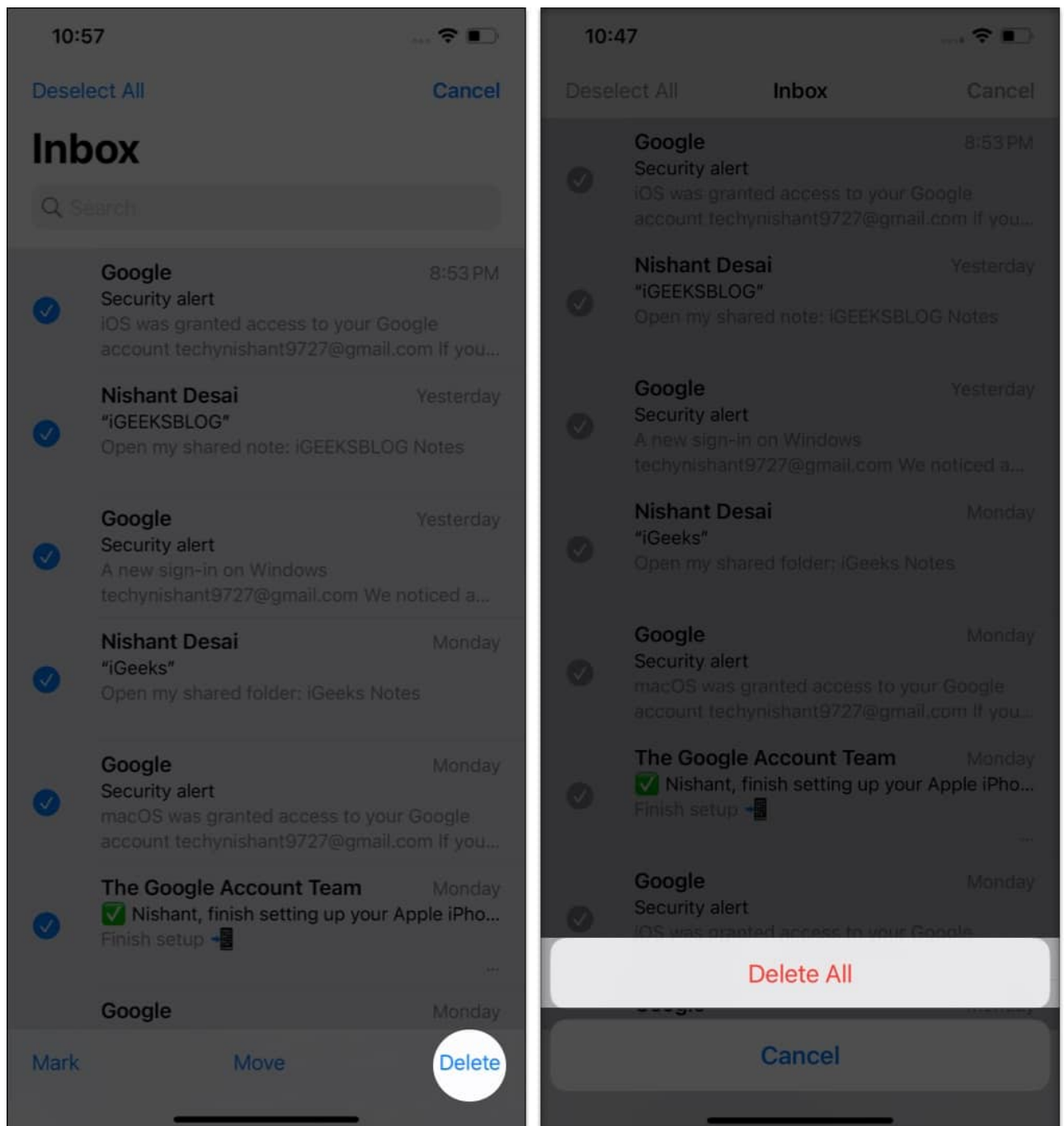
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How to delete all emails at once on iPhone and iPad

1. Launch the **Mail** app on your iPhone.
2. Enter your **Inbox** → tap **Edit**.
3. Tap **Select All** if you wish to delete all your emails.
*Alternatively, you may just select the **emails** you wish to delete.*



4. Tap **Delete** at the bottom-right → select **Delete All** to confirm your choice.

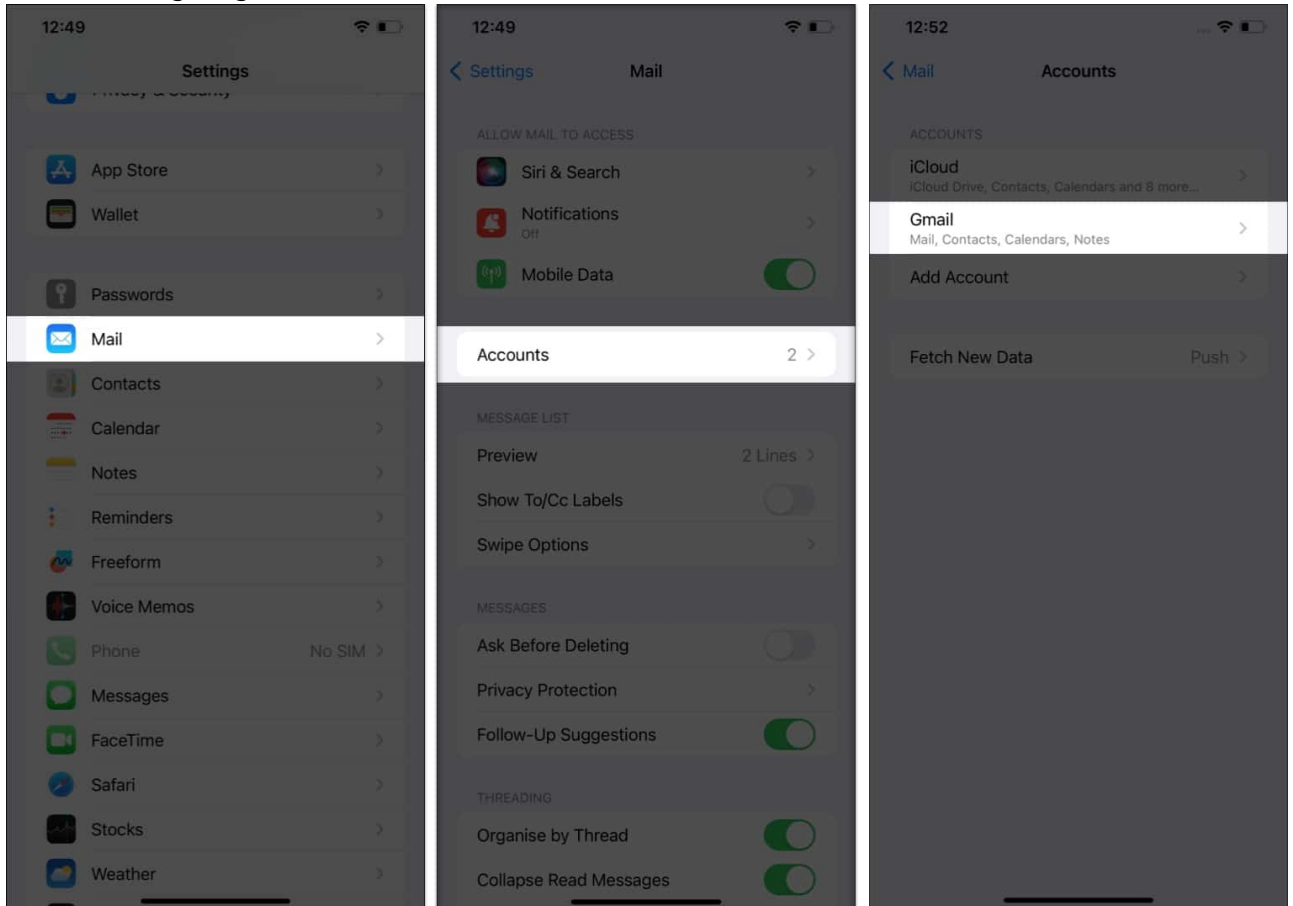


If you see **Archive** instead of **Delete** at the bottom right, then follow the steps mentioned below to change your default option in the inbox.

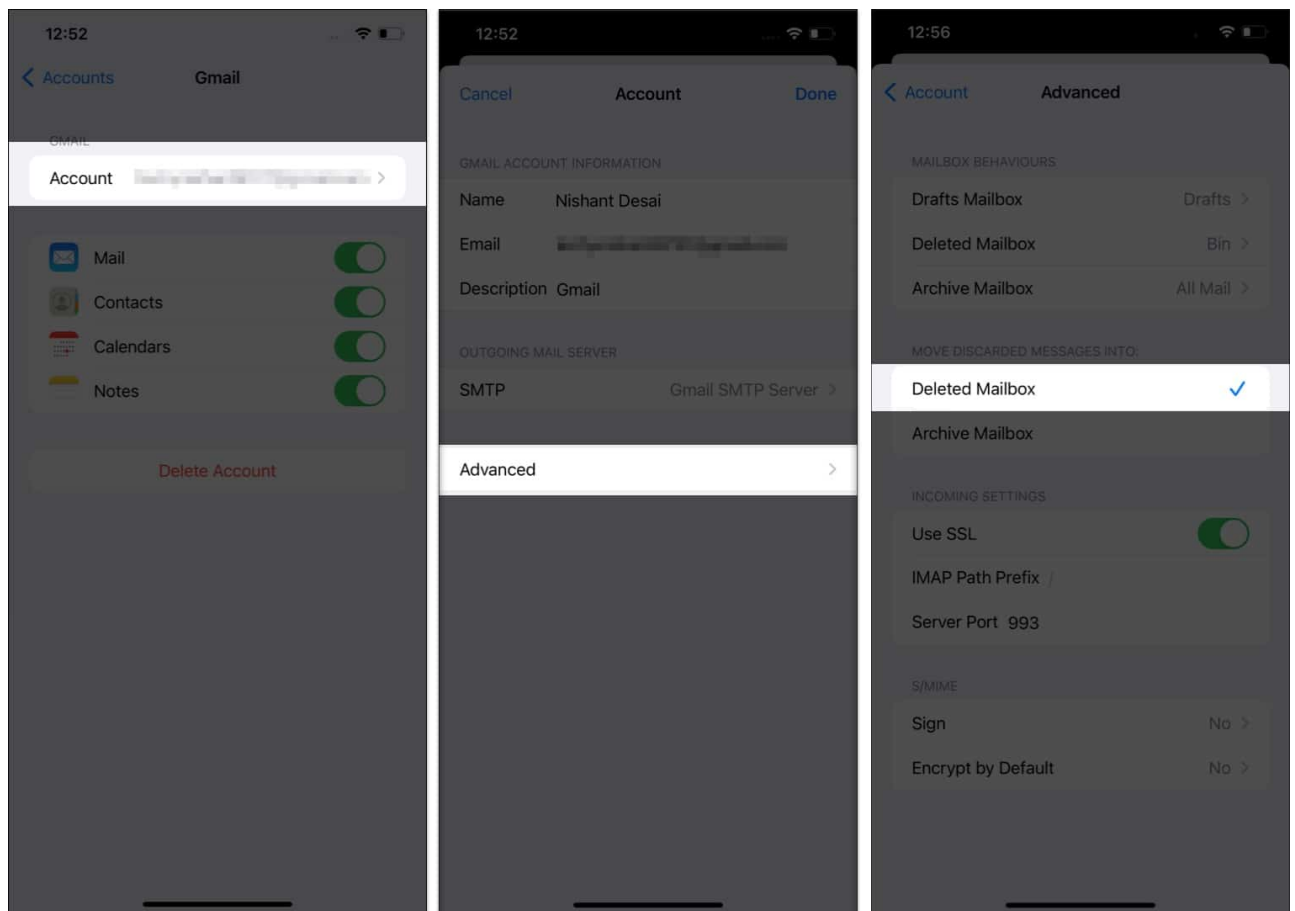
Set Delete as your default option in Inbox

1. Launch the **Settings app** on your iPhone.

2. Scroll down and tap **Mail** → select **Accounts**.
3. Now, select your **mail service provider**.
Here, I am going with Gmail.



4. Tap **Account** → select **Advanced**.
5. Select **Deleted Mailbox** under Move Discarded Messages Into.



That's it! Now, you'll see Delete instead of Archive in your Inbox, and you can trash messages conveniently.

Note: Remember to select the specific email ID from which you wish to remove emails if you have [multiple Gmail accounts](#).

3 Alternate ways to delete email from Mail app on iPhone or iPad

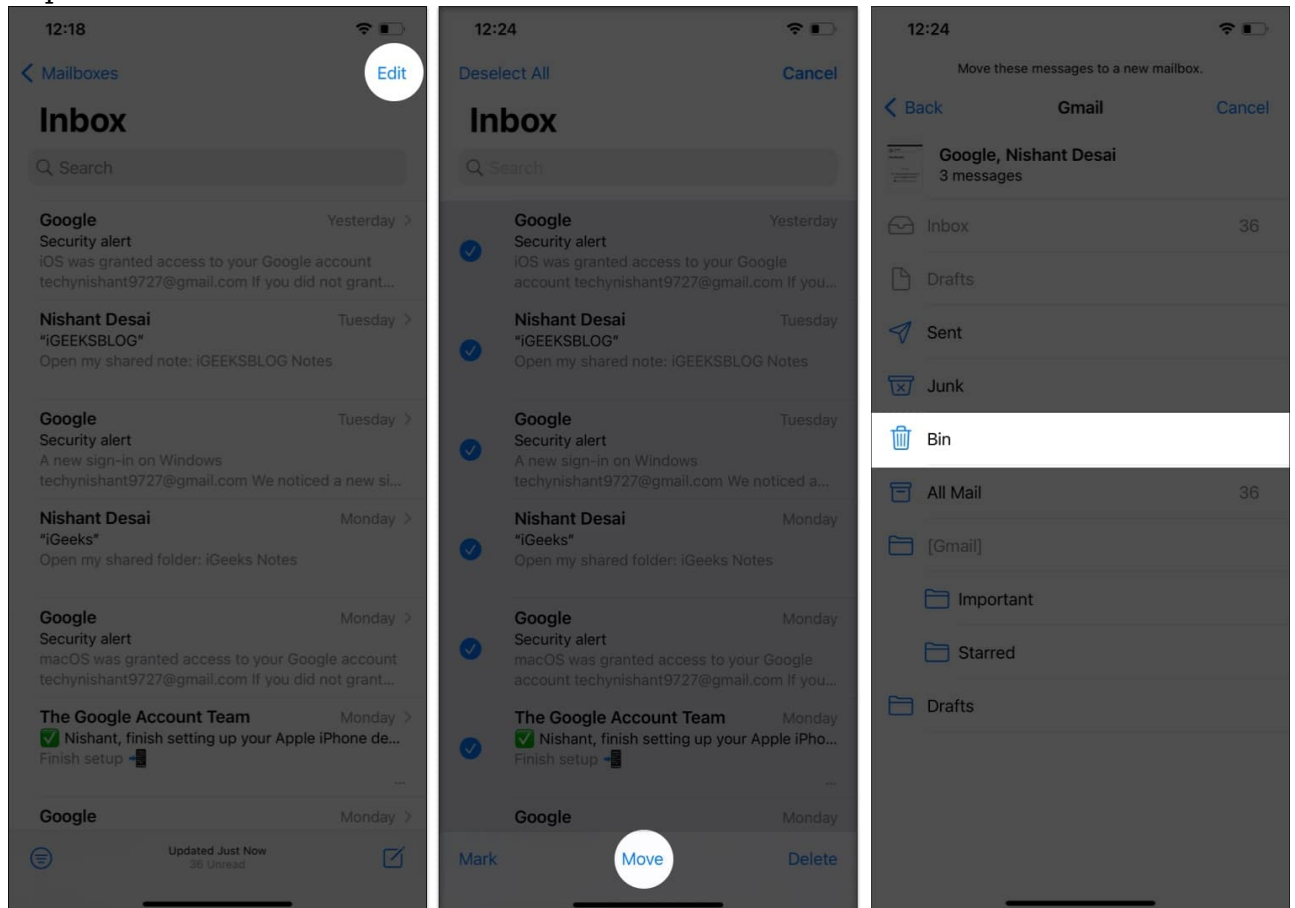
There are a few other ways to delete emails in the Mail app on your iPhone or iPad. Here's a list.

Move to delete

1. Open **Mail app** → tap **Edit**.
2. Select the **emails** you wish to delete.

You may also tap **Select All** if you wish to delete all your emails.

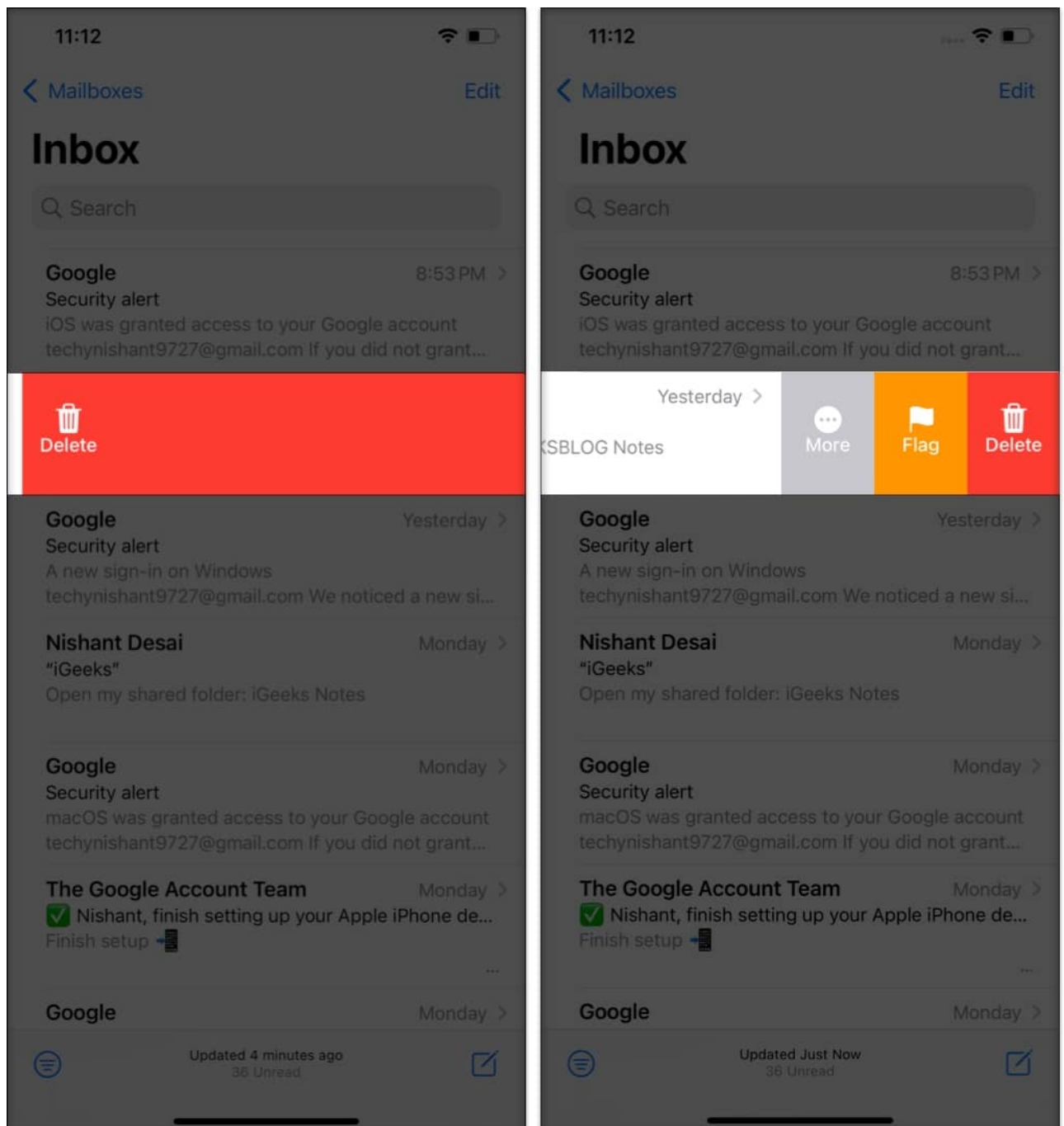
3. Tap **Move** located at the bottom.
4. Tap **Bin** to transfer all selected emails to the trash at once.



Swipe to delete emails on iPhone and iPad

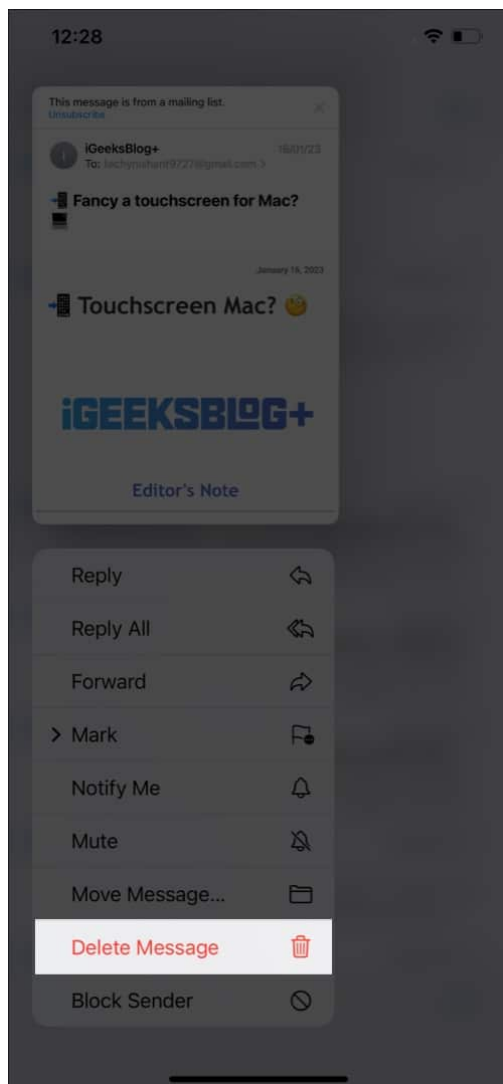
This method is only viable if you seek to delete one particular email at a time.

- **Swipe all the way to the left** on a particular email to delete the entry.
- However, if you want more control over that mail, swipe **halfway** to the left and select from options such as More, Flag, or **Delete**.



Press and hold to delete mails in Mail app

If you're old school, you can simply long-press the email and select **Delete Message** from the context menu.



This method can get very annoying if you seek to delete multiple emails. So, I'd suggested going with the other methods mentioned above.

Wrapping up...

This is how you can delete all emails at once on your iOS device.

So now you can quickly trash all emails on your iPhone whenever you need to start with a blank slate. If you're not a fan of the default Mail app on your iOS device then you might also want to check out our selection of the [best email apps for iPhone and iPad](#). And if you're looking for any other email tips, let us know in the comments below.

FAQs

What's the difference between deleting and archiving email on iPhone and iPad?

All deleted emails are transferred to the **Bin** folder. Meanwhile, an archived email is forwarded to the **Archive** folder, which can be accessed anytime in the future.

How to permanently delete emails on iPhone and iPad?

Navigate to the **Bin** folder and select the emails you wish to delete permanently. Next, tap **Edit**→ **Select All**→ **Delete**. These steps will permanently delete all emails on your iPhone.

Can deleted emails be recovered?

Deleted emails will be in the Bin for 30 days. If the emails are deleted from the bin or have crossed their due time, they cannot be recovered.

Read more:

- [How to save an email as a PDF on iPhone, iPad, and Mac](#)