

The Apple Watch offers an incredibly convenient way of staying connected to your iPhone. You can see all your messages, emails, calls, etc. right from your wrist, without needing to pick up your phone. As part of this functionality, you might have noticed a red dot at the top of your screen. If you want to learn more about it, keep reading to know **what is the red dot on Apple Watch screen and how to get rid of it.**



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What Does Red Dot on Apple Watch Mean?

The red dot on your Apple Watch is a notifications indicator. It appears when you have new notifications to look at, such as for messages or specific apps. This is handy to know at a glance when something needs your attention. Then you can quickly check your notifications as explained below. Or, if you find the dot distracting, you can choose to turn it off too. Let's learn more.

How to Check Notifications on Apple Watch

To view the notifications you have received on your Apple Watch, all you have to do is swipe down from the top of the screen with your watch face turned on.

Then, you can **tap** on each notification to read it. Or, if there are multiple notifications, you can scroll through using the digital crown.

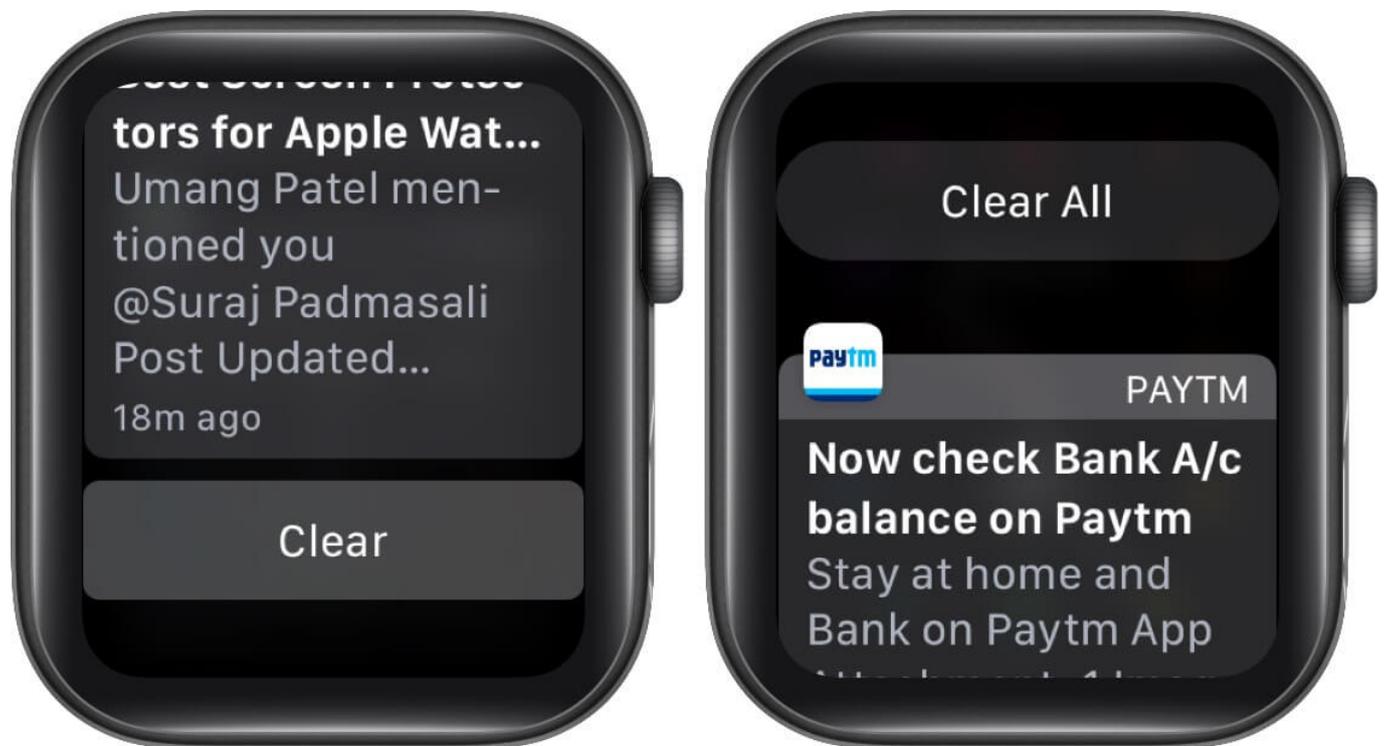
To **delete** a notification, swipe left on it and tap the **X** button.



Or, scroll down on the individual notification and select **Dismiss** at the bottom of the screen. Please note that doing this will also dismiss the notification on your iPhone.



You can also delete multiple notifications at the same time, by scrolling down and tapping on **Clear**. Then, tap on **Clear All**.



Once you view or dismiss notifications, the red dot will disappear from your watch face until you have new unread notifications.

Of course, you have complete control to customize the notifications that you get on Apple Watch. Or you can [disable](#) them altogether. If you want to keep notifications but turn off the red dot indicator, follow the steps below.

How to Hide Red Dot on Apple Watch

It's easy to turn off the red dot on your Apple Watch from the Settings or the Watch app on your iPhone. Let's look at both methods.

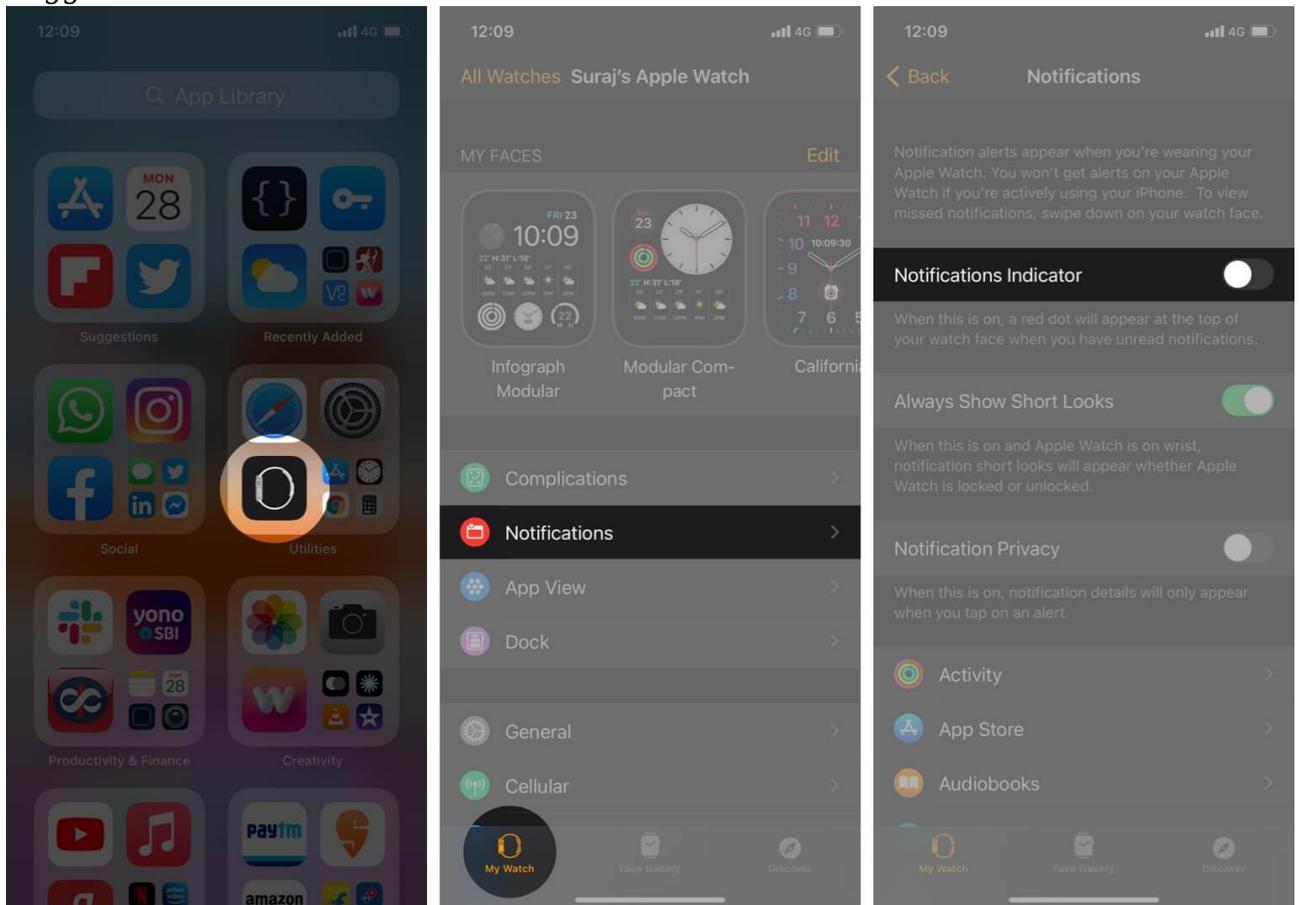
On Apple Watch

1. Press the Digital Crown and then go to the **Settings** app.
2. Tap on **Notifications**.
3. Toggle **OFF** the **Notifications Indicator**.



On iPhone

1. Open the **Watch** app on your iPhone.
2. Go to **Notifications**.
3. Toggle **OFF** the **Notifications Indicator**.



You can always turn on this red dot indicator in the future if you like.

Summing Up

We hope this tutorial has clarified what the red dot on Apple Watch means and how to get rid of it. If you have any other questions about your Apple Watch, let us know in the comments below.

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