

The 5 Tips of Social Media Etiquette



Read them. Study them. Know them.

Tip #1: Do Not Tell Friends Too Much



Social media opens up a window into our friends' lives--and sometimes, that window shows us far more than we want to see. The concept of TMFI--Too Much Facebook Information--isn't only about embarrassing info. Oversharing can be as simple as posting your every thought and action, whether it's details of your daily jog or photos of your favorite burrito.

Tip #2: Do Not Turn Social Media Into Your Own Soapbox



Here's a good rule of thumb: If your friends and family don't want to listen to you ramble on about something in person, they probably don't want to listen to you ramble on about it on Facebook.

Tip #3: Do Not Turn Social Media into Your Own Complaint Forum



You should not bombard your friends and family with nonstop negativity.

Tip #4: Do Not Pretend You Are CNN, ESPN, or FOX NEWS



You know what's cool about the Internet? It has tons of up-to-date info about news, sports, and celebrities. You know what's not cool about the Internet? Tons of people seem to think we want their personal play-by-play of every news development, sporting event, and TV show known to man.

Tip #5: Do Not Post Inappropriate Pictures/Comments



Make sure pictures are appropriate of you and/or your friends. Also, make sure comments are appropriate. Once anything is posted, it has been read by someone.