

To set Gmail as the default email handler in Chrome, navigate to Chrome settings, go to **"Privacy and Security" > "Site Settings" > "Additional permissions" > "Protocol handlers"**, enable **"Sites can ask to handle protocols"**, then open Gmail and allow it to handle email links.

Here's a more detailed breakdown:

#### 1. Access Chrome Settings:

- Click the three dots (Chrome menu) in the top right corner of your browser.
- Select "Settings".

#### 2. Navigate to Privacy and Security:

Click on "Privacy and security" and Click on "Site Settings".

#### 3. Locate and Enable Protocol Handlers:

- Scroll down to "Additional permissions" and click on it.
- Click on "Protocol handlers".
- Under "Default behavior", select "Sites can ask to handle protocols".

#### 4. Open Gmail and Allow it to Handle Email Links:

- Open Gmail (mail.google.com) in a new tab.
- After Gmail loads, look for a double diamond icon in the URL bar on the right side.
- Click the icon and select "Allow".
- Click "Done".

Troubleshooting:

- **If the double diamond icon doesn't appear:** Try reloading the Gmail page or restarting Chrome.
- **If you see "Gmail is blocked" in the Protocol handlers page:** Go to Windows settings, search for "Default Apps", and ensure Chrome is set as the default email client.
- **If you don't see the icon after enabling protocol handlers:** You might need to clear Chrome's cache and cookies, or reinstall the Gmail extension.