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5 Good Reasons to Finally Get a Screen Protector

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Screen protectors can do much more than just protect your phone's screen from scratches. And there are more types of screen protectors available in the market than many people realize. If you never got around to shopping for a screen protector or you just didn't like the one that came with your phone, here are some good reasons to go out and buy a new screen protector today.

1 – Drop resistance

If you want to make sure your phone survives its next dive onto concrete, the best thing to do is to get it an anti-shock case. And the second-best thing to do is to get an [anti-shock screen protector](#).

Just like cases, screen protectors can help protect the screen by absorbing and dissipating the force from impacts. When your phone lands face-down on the pavement, that can be the difference between a cracked screen and your phone being fine.

Of course, a regular thin piece of plastic isn't going to do much to absorb impacts. However, anti-shock screen protectors are designed using special materials that minimize the risk of cracks and damage..

2 – Prevent scratches

Scratches are the main reason to get a screen protector. But what you may not realize is why phone screens still get scratched so easily. Surely the newest versions of reinforced glass used for phones will do a much better job of not getting scratched in your pocket, right?

Sadly, the answer is no. And the reason is sand. Long story short, sand is just incredibly good at scratching things, and it is often the cause of those mystery scratches that phone screens seem to manifest as they get older.

If you want your phone's screen to stay scratch-free for years to come, a screen protector is the only surefire way to do it.

3 – Reduce glare

It can be very hard to see what's on your phone screen when you're outdoors in the sun. Or in a room with strong artificial lights. This problem is even worse on devices with screens that can't get all that bright.

A standard screen protector can't help with that. But if you know what to look for, there is an option that can help mitigate the issue.

Paper-like screen protectors — sometimes referred to as “anti-glare” screen protectors — help mitigate glare by changing the way light bounces off the screen. The result is a screen that looks slightly opaque, and that feels different to the touch. And that does a much better job of staying visible even under strong lights.

4 – Get more privacy

Speaking of screen protectors that can enhance your screen, another popular option is privacy screen protectors. These limit the viewing angle of your screen — often bringing it down to just 30°. The result is that you'll be able to see your screen just fine, but anyone looking at it from the side or over your shoulder will only see a black screen.

This can be great if you often deal with sensitive information in public spaces. Or if you just want the freedom to watch silly videos on the bus without being judged.

5 – Premium options

If your only experience with screen protectors comes from using the one that came in the box with your phone, keep in mind that there are better options out there. Manufacturer screen protectors are often done on a tight budget, which leaves them feeling cheap to the touch or thicker than necessary.

There are plenty of premium options out there that will protect the screen while being nearly invisible. And that won't make the screen feel cheap to the touch. If you have never tried a screen protector made from quality plastic or tempered glass before, you may be surprised by how much you enjoy the results.

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