

How to enable/disable Smart App Control Windows 11

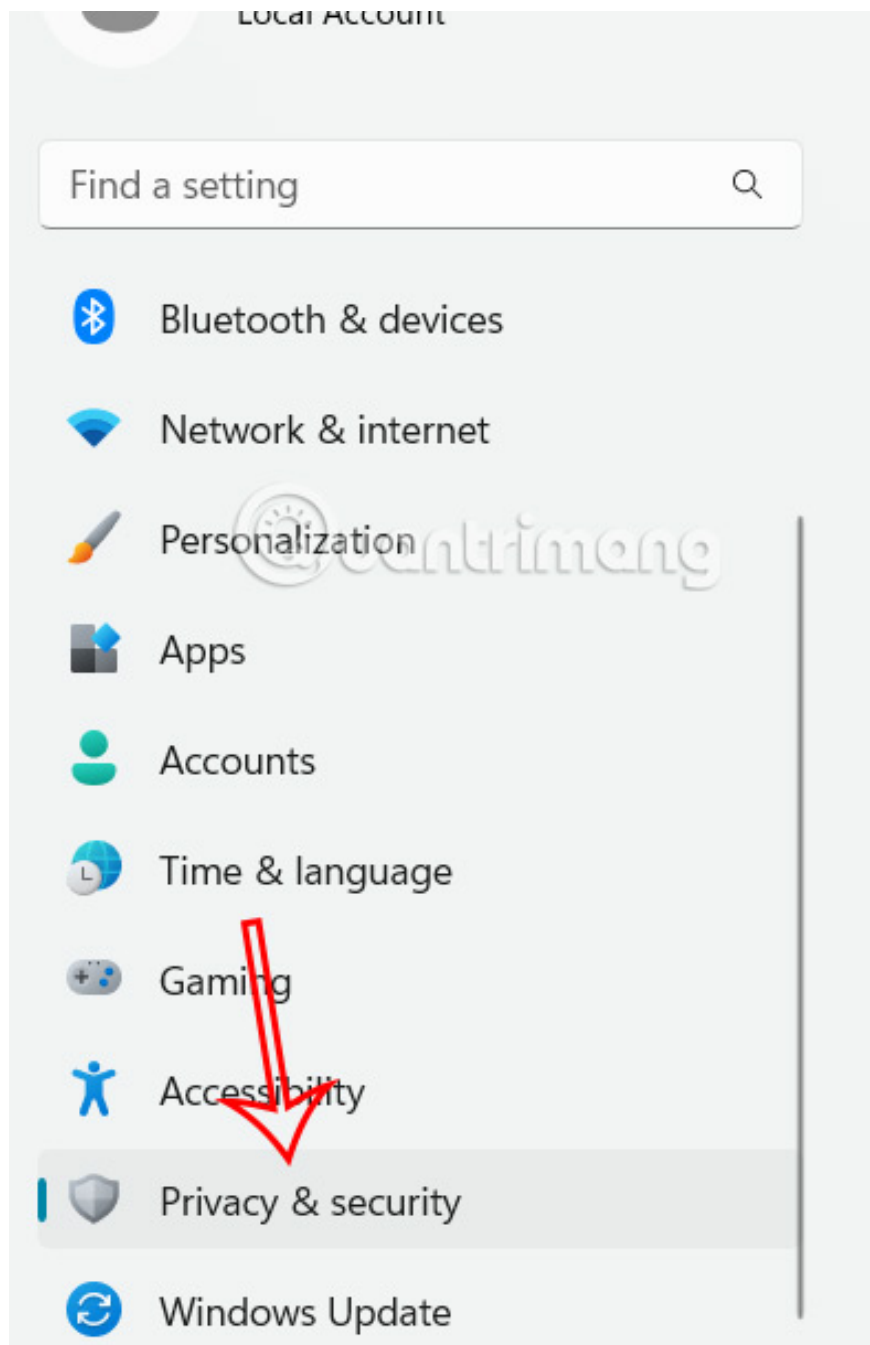
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Smart App Control (SAC) is a security feature in the Windows Security application that locks down the system, allowing only trusted applications or applications with valid certificates to run to prevent unwanted behaviors from untrusted applications. Therefore, you should enable Smart App Control (SAC) to protect your computer from malicious and unwanted applications. Below are instructions to enable Smart App Control Windows 11,

Instructions to activate Smart App Control Windows 11

Step 1:

First, press **the Windows + I key combination** to open Settings on your computer. Then, **click Privacy & Security** on the left side of the interface.

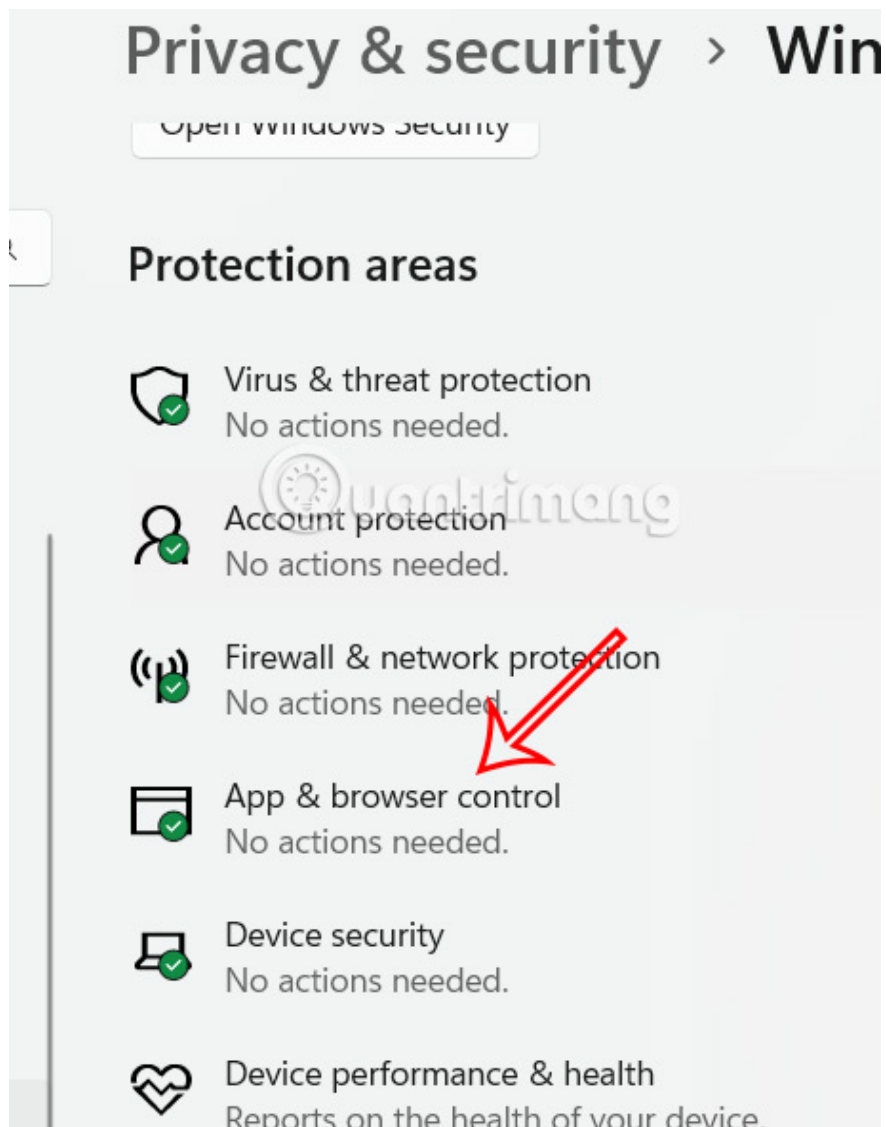


Look at the content next to you **and click on Windows Security** to adjust again.



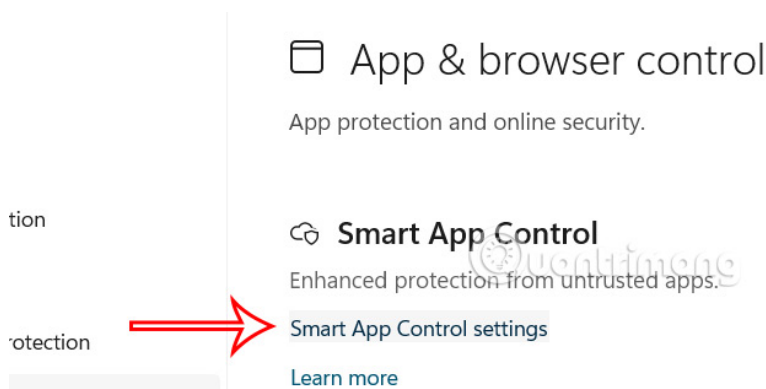
Step 2:

In this new interface, we **select App & browser control** to adjust the settings for applications on Windows 11.



Step 3:

In the interface as shown in this image, we see **the Smart App Control section**, click on **Smart App Control settings** to proceed with setting up this mode.



Step 4:

The Windows 11 Smart App Control security feature settings section includes different options, we **select Evaluation** to activate.

Smart App Control

Enhanced protection from untrusted apps.

On

If Smart App Control spots a malicious or untrusted app it will block it to protect your device.

Evaluation

While Smart App Control is in Evaluation mode, it will learn if it can help protect you without getting in your way too much. If so, it will automatically be turned on. Otherwise, it will automatically be turned off.

Off

If Smart App Control is off it can't be turned on without reinstalling Windows.

[Learn more about why Smart App Control is off](#)

Note, if you cannot click on the enable option and the default is Off, then this feature is not applicable to the version of Windows you are using.

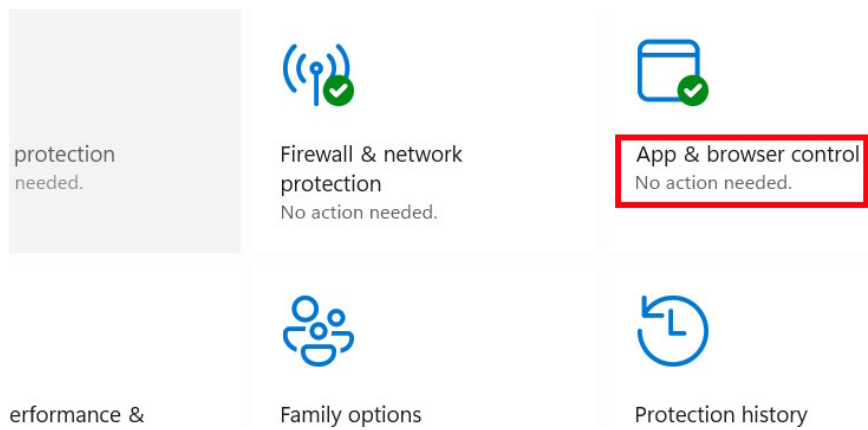
Once you complete the steps, the feature will run in the background but won't block anything. Note that when you turn this feature on, there's a chance that Smart App Control will block one or more trusted apps at some point.

Instructions to turn off Smart App Control Windows 11

Smart App Control in Windows 11 can block applications that are considered untrusted or potentially harmful to your computer. However, sometimes you need to install an application but Smart App Control blocks it. Here are instructions to turn off Smart App Control Windows 11.

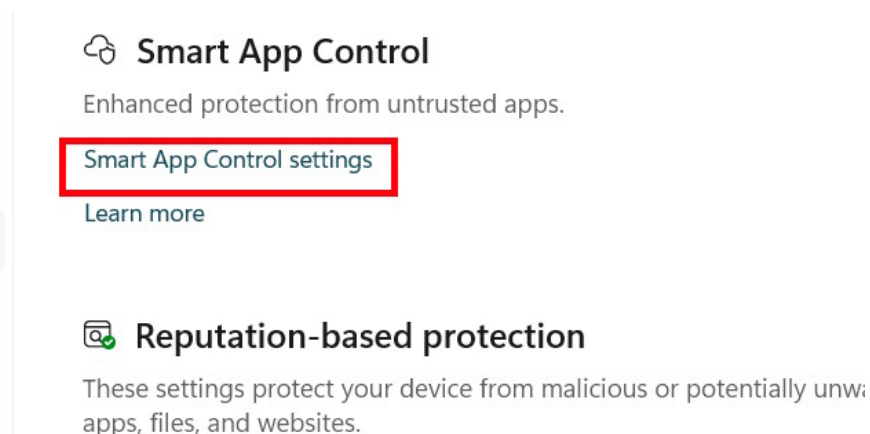
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You type Windows Security in the search bar and then click on the result to access. Next, in the new interface, the user clicks **on App & browser control** .

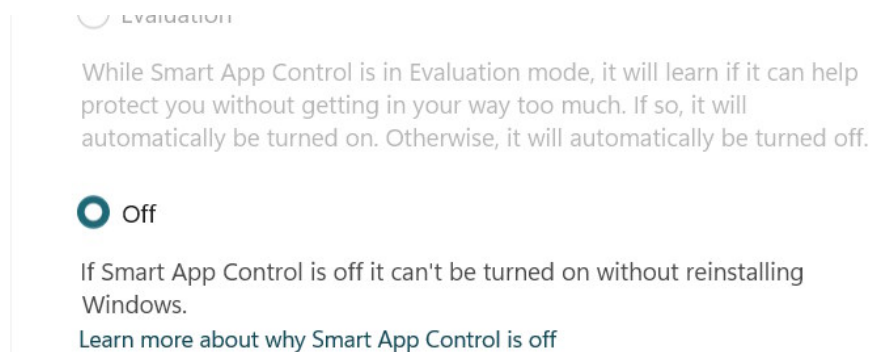


Step 2:

Now the user **clicks Smart App Control settings** to adjust the Smart App Control tool on the computer.



Then we **click Off** to disable Smart App Control on the computer.



Windows will display a message that you cannot turn Smart App Control back on unless you reset or reinstall Windows. The system will request Admin rights through the User Account Control interface. After confirming, Smart App Control will stop checking or blocking untrusted applications.

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