

# How to turn off auto-play videos on Chrome and Firefox

The feature automatically plays promotional videos on Chrome or Firefox that annoys users. So you should turn off video playback on your browser

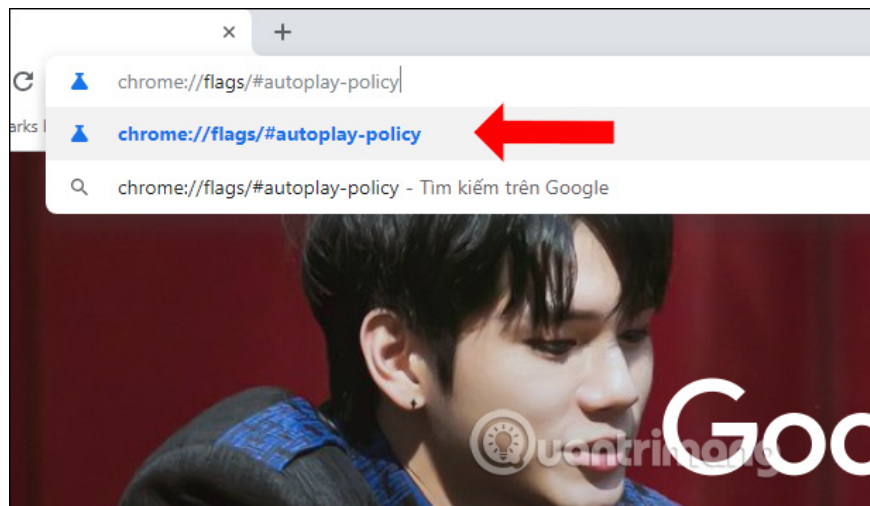
On Chrome browser or most browsers are enabled to automatically play promotional videos on websites. These ads will usually be in the corner of the screen and will affect users when using the site. Instead of having to directly turn off each ad every time they appear, users can change the browser settings to turn off video playback. The following article will guide you how to turn off the auto-play feature on Chrome and Firefox.

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3. How to prevent GIFs from automatically playing in the browser

## 1. Turn off videos that automatically play on Chrome

### Step 1:

At the address bar in Chrome browser, enter **chrome: // flags / # autoplay-policy** and press Enter to access.



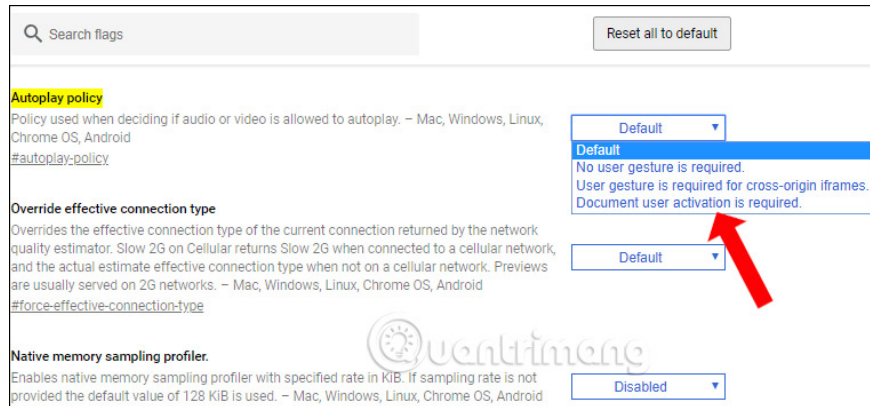
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In the **yellow Autoplay policy** line, there will be an option menu with 4 different options:

1. Default: Automatically plays videos that are enabled.
2. No user gesture is required: Auto play is enabled.
3. User gestures are required for cross-origin iframes: Automatically play videos enabled for videos that are not linked on other sites, such as videos linked to YouTube
4. Document user activation is required: The video automatically plays after you press or interact with the web page.

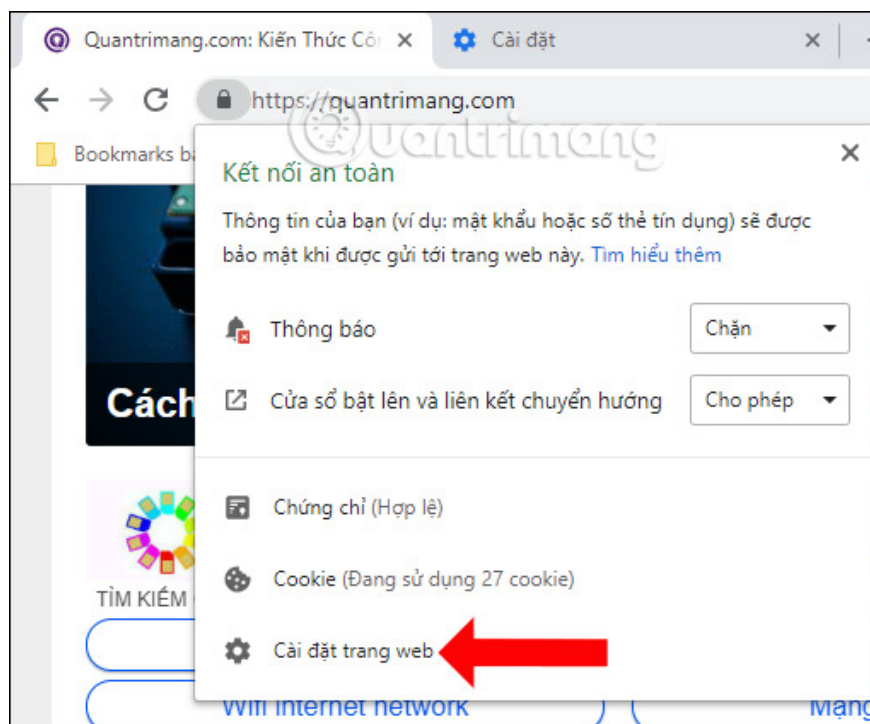
Click on the **Document user activation required** to block automatic playback, unless you press or interact with the site.

Then reload the Chrome browser for the changes to take effect.

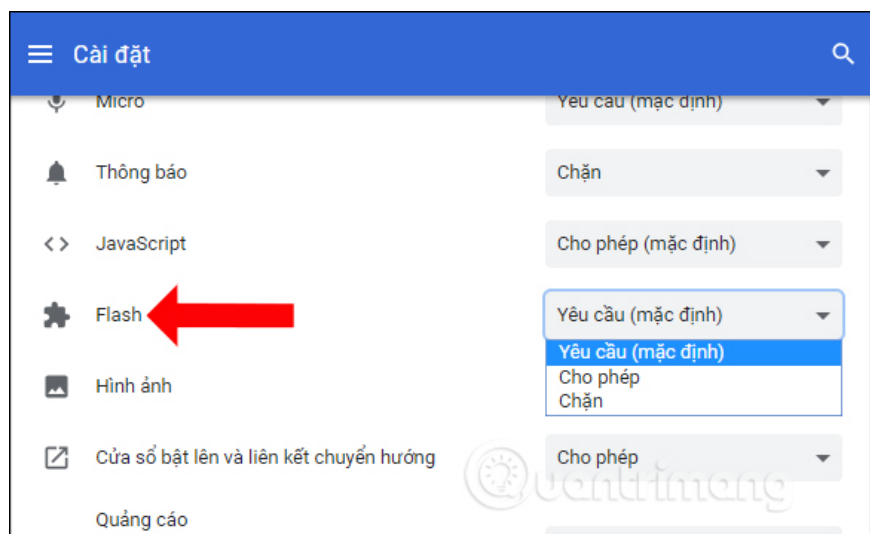


In addition, the **flash videos on Chrome** on each website when accessed will be asked before users want to play the video or not. But users can also customize which websites want to play videos, or want to block video playback.

On the website with flash video click on **the icon of the padlock icon** in the address bar, then click Next **Web site settings** .



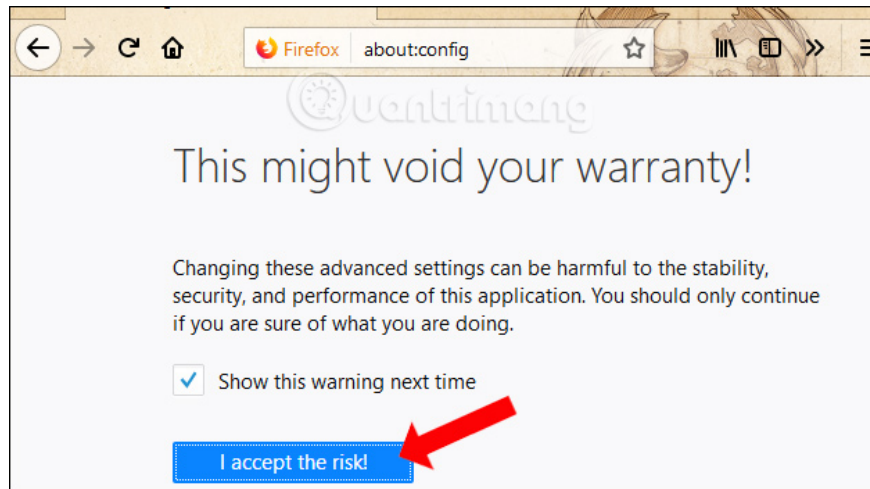
In the custom interface you drag down **the Flash**, there are automatic video playback control options on the browser. Depending on the website, users can choose different settings, to block them completely or ask before they play.



## 2. Turn off automatic video playback on Firefox

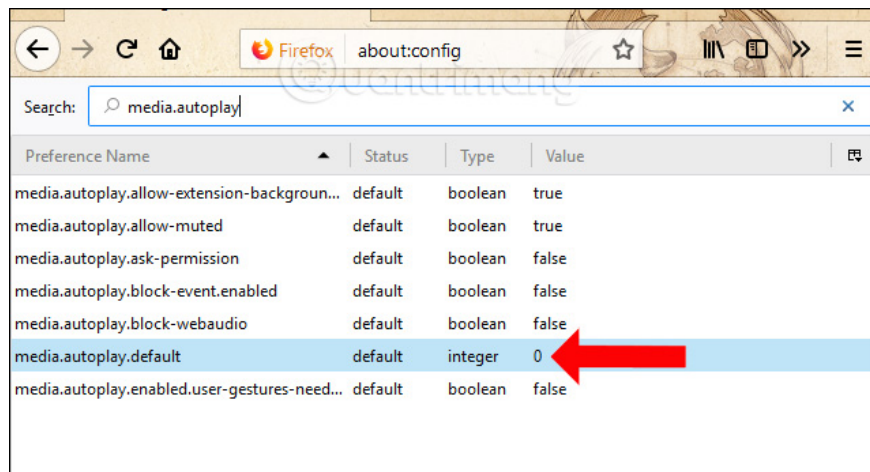
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Go to **about: config** in Firefox and click **I accept the risk** to agree to access.

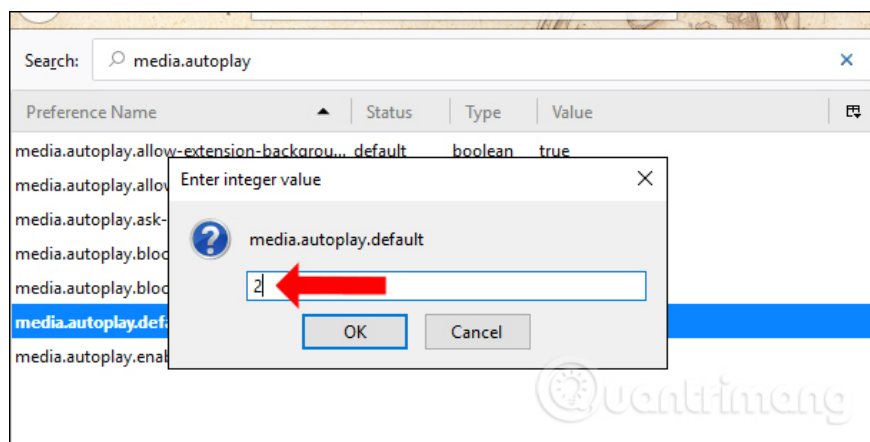


## Step 2:

In the search bar enter the **keyword media.autoplay** . Then click on the **media.autoplay.default** option. By default, the option currently displaying 0 means always playing videos automatically on Firefox browser.



Here you can switch to one of the other two values, **1** to block video playback on the browser, or enter **2** to ask before playing the video automatically.



Both Chrome and Firefox have the option to control the auto-play feature on the browser. We can leave the question mode before you want to play, or as on Chrome completely turn off the video playback, as long as you don't interact with the site.

See more:

1. [How to fix SSL connection errors on Chrome and Firefox](#)
2. [How to block ads when surfing the web](#)
3. [How to turn off automatic video playback on App Store iOS 11](#)

I wish you all success!

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