

# Instructions on how to enable and disable screen flash effects on Windows 11

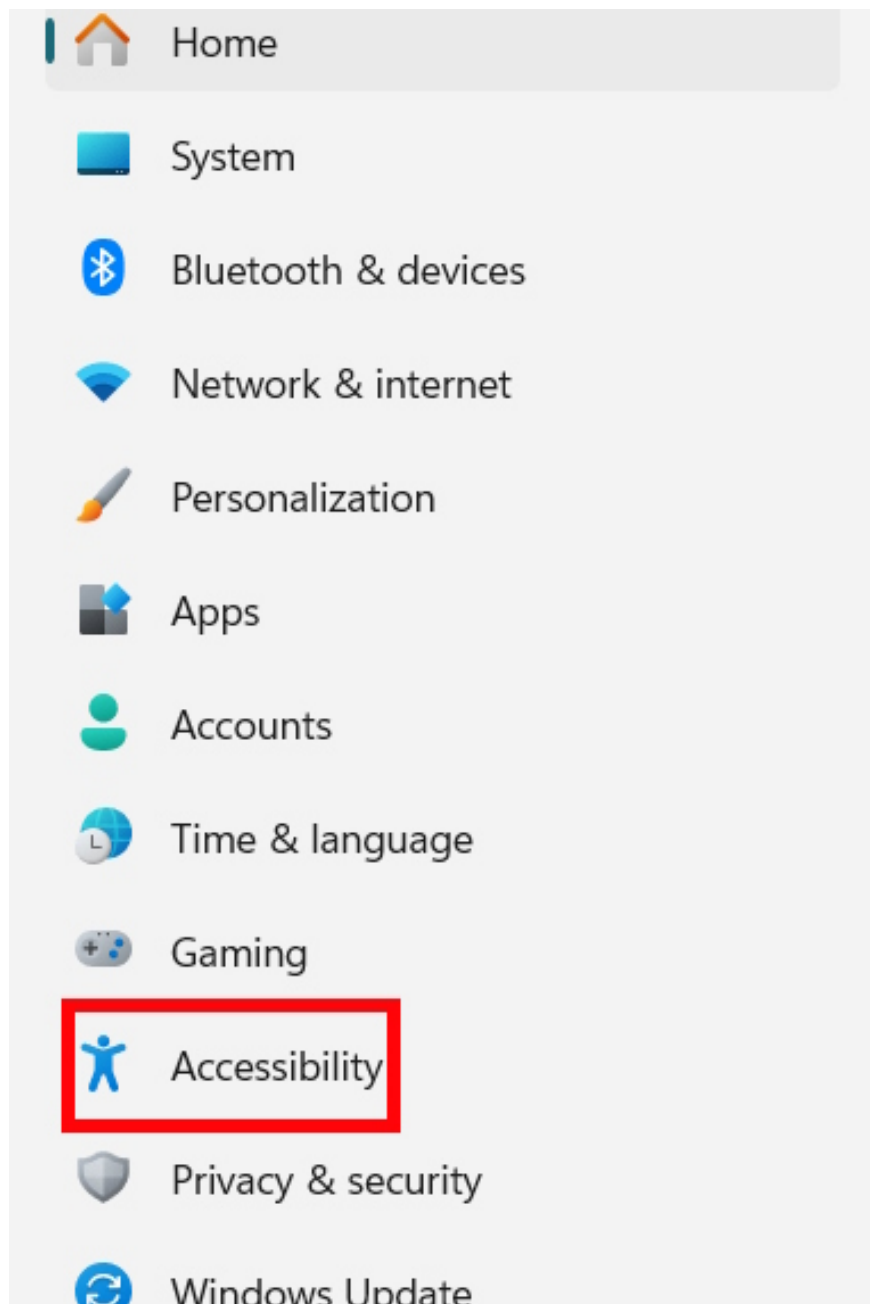
When a new notification arrives, Windows will display a screen blinking effect. Users can choose to have the title bar, the active window, or the entire screen blink when a notification arrives.

If your computer's notification sound is malfunctioning, such as a broken speaker or a non-functioning notification sound mode, Windows offers an alternative screen flashing effect. As soon as a new notification arrives, Windows will display a screen flashing effect. Users can choose to have the title bar, the active window, or the entire screen flash when a notification arrives. Below are detailed instructions.

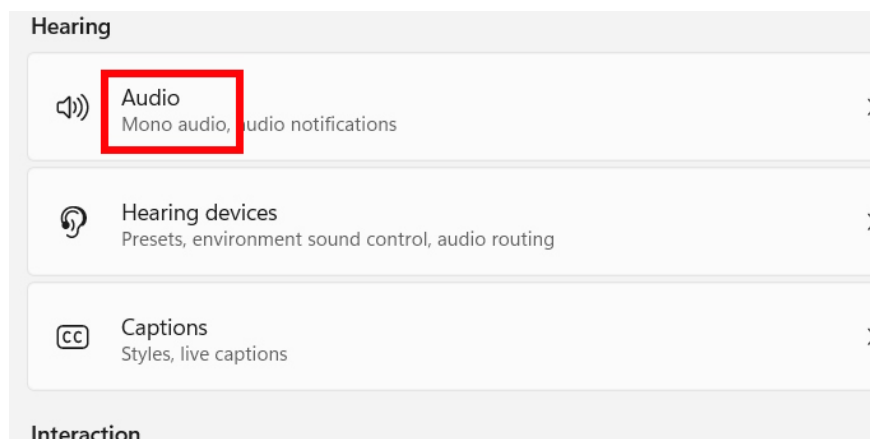
## Turn the screen flash effect on or off via Settings.

### Step 1:

Open Settings on your computer, then **select Accessibility** from the list on the left side of the interface.



Continue looking to the side and click on **the Audio option** to adjust the sound settings on your computer.

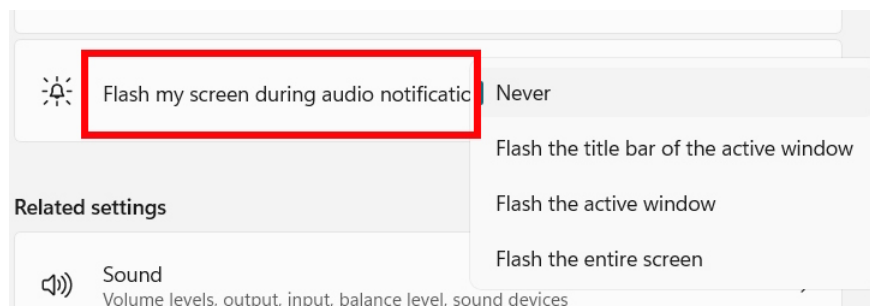


## Step 2:

Find the **"Flash my screen during audio notifications"** setting to adjust the screen flashing effect when you receive audio notifications.

We select one of the flashing effect options below.

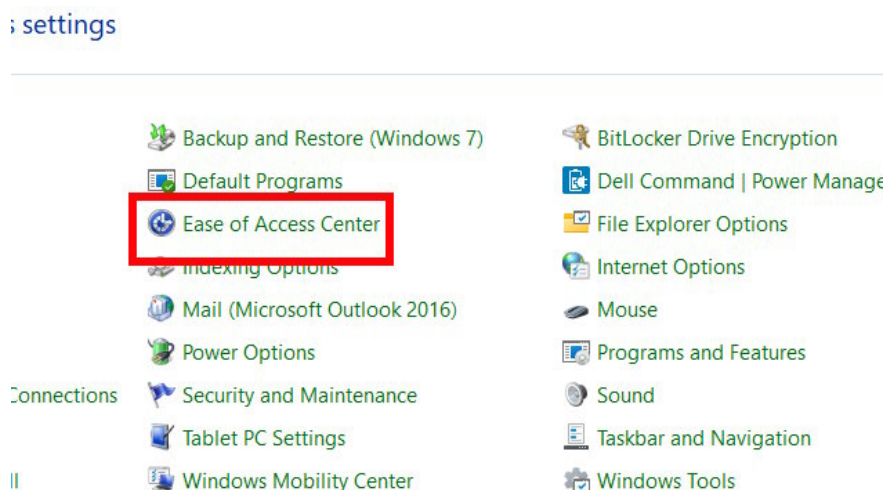
1. Never
2. The title bar of the active window is blinking.
3. The active window is blinking.
4. Illuminate the entire screen.



## Turn the screen flash effect on or off via the Control Panel.







### Step 1:

Open the **Control Panel** and switch to **Small icons mode** . Then, scroll down and click on **Ease of Access Center** .



### Step 2:

Switch to the new interface, scroll down and select the option **" Use text or visual alternatives for sounds"** .

-  [Use the computer without a mouse or keyboard](#)  
Set up alternative input devices
-  [Make the mouse easier to use](#)  
Adjust settings for the mouse or other pointing devices
-  [Make the keyboard easier to use](#)  
Adjust settings for the keyboard
-  [Use text or visual alternatives for sounds](#)  
Set up alternatives for sounds
-  [Make it easier to focus on tasks](#)  
Adjust settings for reading and typing
-  [Make touch and tablets easier to use](#)

### Step 3:

To enable the screen blinking effect when there is a notification sound, check the box **next to "Turn on visual notifications for sounds (Sound Sentry)"** .

In the **Choose visual warning section**, we can also **select the flashing effect** we want.

[Use text or visual alternatives for sounds](#)  
When you select these tools, they will automatically start each time you sign in.

Use visual cues instead of sounds \_\_\_\_\_

Turn on visual notifications for sounds (Sound Sentry)

Choose visual warning

- None
- Flash active caption bar
- Flash active window
- Flash desktop

## How to enable screen flash effects via Registry

Please note that you need administrator privileges to perform this action.

**Turn off screen flickering effects.**

```
reg add "HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Control Panel\Accessibility\SoundSentry" /v Flags /t REG_DWORD /d 0
```

**The title bar of the active window is blinking.**

```
reg add "HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Control Panel\Accessibility\SoundSentry" /v Flags /t REG_DWORD /d 1
```

**The active window is blinking.**

```
reg add "HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Control Panel\Accessibility\SoundSentry" /v Flags /t REG_DWORD /d 2
```

## The entire screen flickers.

```
reg add "HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Control Panel\Accessibility\SoundSentry" /v Flags /t REG_DWORD /d 0
```

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