

## EDITING SOFTWARE INFORMATION

The following editing instructions are provided to you as a convenience. Depending on the device you will use to edit your video, you can choose one of the following to use or explore other editing software applications. Applications are updated periodically, so always follow the most up-to-date instructions on the software site.

### [iMovie](#) (iPhone, iPad, Mac)

#### 1. Open iMovie and Start a New Project

- Open the iMovie app on your iPhone
- Tap the “+” icon to create a new project
- Select “Movie” to start editing
- Choose the video clip(s) you want to edit from your library and tap "Create Movie" at the bottom of the screen

#### 2. Trim the Video Clip

- Trim the Start/End: Tap on your video clip in the timeline
- Drag the yellow handles at the beginning or end of the clip to trim unnecessary parts (e.g., shaky starts or extra footage at the end)

**Tip:** Trimming keeps the video concise and focused

#### 3. Add a Transition

- If you have more than one clip, tap the small icon between two clips (it looks like two triangles) to add a transition
- Choose from transitions like Fade, Slide, or Dissolve to smooth the shift between clips

**Tip:** Transitions should feel natural and not distract from the story

#### 4. Insert a Title

- Tap on your video clip, then tap the “T” (Title) icon at the bottom of the screen
- Select a *title style* (like “Standard” or “Slide”) and type your text
- You can adjust where the title appears by dragging it along the timeline

**Tip:** Keep the title short, like your video’s subject or the person’s name being interviewed

#### 5. Add Background Music

- Tap the “+” icon, then select Audio > Soundtracks to choose music from iMovie, or pick a song from your Music library
- Once selected, the music will automatically appear on the timeline below your video

**Tip:** Adjust the volume of the music by tapping the audio clip and using the volume slide



## 6. Adjust Clip Length or Reorder Clips

- Rearrange clips: Tap and hold a clip in the timeline, then drag it to a new position if you have multiple clips
- Adjust clip length: Tap the video clip, then drag the edges inward or outward to shorten or lengthen

## 7. Play and Preview

- Tap the Play button to preview your edited video. Make sure transitions are smooth, music aligns with the visuals, and the title appears correctly

## Final Step: Save Your Movie

- Tap Done when you're finished editing
- Tap the share icon (box with an arrow pointing up) and select *Save Video* to save it to your photo library, or directly share to social media

## [CLIPS](#) (iPhone or iPad)

### 1. Open the CLIPS App

- Open the **CLIPS** app on your iPhone
- Tap the “Library” icon in the bottom left corner to import your 15-30 second video
- Select your video from your library and it will be added to the timeline

### 2. Trim Your Video

- Tap on the “video clip” in the timeline at the bottom
- Select “Trim” from the menu that appears
- Drag the “yellow handles” at the start or end of the video to trim unwanted sections

**Tip:** Trimming helps remove shaky starts or unnecessary footage

### 3. Add Filters or Effects

- Tap on your video clip, then tap the “Star icon” (Effects) at the bottom of the screen
- Select from a variety of “filters” (e.g., Comic Book, Vivid, Noir) or “effects” (e.g., Stickers, Emojis) to enhance the visual look

**Tip:** Keep filters and effects simple so they don’t distract from the story

### 4. Insert Text or Live Titles

- To add text: Tap the “T” (Text) button in the toolbar
- Select from different styles of captions or banners and add text like names, locations, or descriptions
- For Live Titles: Tap the “speech bubble icon”, choose a style, and as you speak, the app automatically converts your voice into subtitles that appear on the screen

**Tip:** Use Live Titles to quickly add subtitles without typing!



## 5. Add Music

- Tap the “Music Note icon” at the top of the screen to add a soundtrack
- Choose from “soundtracks” provided by CLIPS, or use your own music from your library
- Music will automatically adjust to fit the length of the video

**Tip:** Pick music that fits the mood and complements the tone of your video

## 6. Rearrange Clips (Optional)

- If you’ve added multiple clips, you can rearrange them by tapping and holding a clip in the timeline, then dragging it to a new position

## 7. Play and Preview

- Tap the “Play button” at the bottom to preview your edited video and make sure everything looks and sounds good

## Final Step: Save or Share Your Video

Tap the “Share icon” (box with an arrow) at the bottom right

Save the video to your Photos library or share it directly to social media platforms like Instagram, TikTok, or Facebook

## [Clipchamp](#) (web-based)

### 1. Open Clipchamp in your browser or via the app

- Click “Create a new video” on the home screen
- Drag and drop your 15-30 second video into the “media library” or upload it from your computer

### 2. Trim Your Video Clip

- Drag your video from the media library to the “timeline” at the bottom
- Click on the video clip in the timeline to highlight it
- Trim by dragging the edges of the clip inward to remove unwanted sections (beginning or end)

**Tip:** Trimming helps keep your video concise and focused

### 3. Add Transitions

- If you have more than one clip, click the “Transitions tab” on the left
- Drag a transition (e.g., Fade, Cross-dissolve) between two clips in the timeline

**Tip:** Transitions create smooth visual shifts between scenes but should be subtle

### 4. Insert Text

- Click the Text tab on the left toolbar
- Select a “text template” or choose “plain text”, then drag it to the timeline
- Type your desired message (e.g., titles, captions, names) and adjust its position or font style

**Tip:** Place text at the beginning for a title or in key moments for explanations



#### 5. Add Music

- Click the “Music & SFX tab” on the left to choose a royalty-free track or upload your own music
- Drag the music to the “audio track” in the timeline below your video
- Adjust the volume by clicking the music clip and using the “volume slider” at the top

**Tip:** Make sure the music matches the tone of the video and doesn’t overpower any dialogue.

#### 6. Apply Filters and Effects (Optional)

- Click the “Filters tab” on the left and select a visual filter (e.g., Black & White, Vintage) to apply to your video clip
- For more advanced effects, explore the “Adjust colors and brightness” options by selecting the clip in the timeline and adjusting settings like “contrast” or “saturation”

#### 7. Play and Preview

- Click the “Play button” in the preview window to watch your edited video. Ensure your transitions, music, and text flow smoothly

#### **Final Step: Export Your Video**

- Once satisfied, click "Export" in the top right corner
- Choose the desired video quality (e.g., 720p, 1080p)
- Download your video or share it directly to platforms like YouTube, TikTok, or Instagram

