



To avoid unexpected charges and ensure you can easily stay in touch while onboard and in Bermuda, please review the tips below before you depart.

PHONE SETTINGS & ROAMING

(To avoid unexpected charges, manage your device's cellular settings as soon as you depart.)

TURN ON AIRPLANE MODE: Switch this on immediately upon boarding the ship. This prevents your phone from searching for expensive satellite or roaming networks.

MANUAL WI-FI: Once in Airplane Mode, you can manually turn Wi-Fi back on to connect to onboard or local networks.

Note: Wi-Fi access has been arranged for all attendees. Once onboard, connect to the ship's Wi-Fi network (typically appears as "Royal Caribbean WiFi"), then open your browser or the Royal Caribbean app. You will be prompted to sign in using your reservation details (name and stateroom number) to activate your access.

Here is a video showing how to toggle the airplane icon and then tap the Wi-Fi icon to stay connected to local networks: [iPhone](#) | [Android](#)

DISABLE DATA ROAMING: In your settings, toggle "Data Roaming" off to ensure the phone doesn't use cellular data if Airplane mode is accidentally turned off.

MANAGE BACKGROUND DATA: Turn off automatic app updates and background refreshes to conserve any limited data you may have.

Here is a video showing where to find the "Data Roaming" toggle under cellular settings ([IPHONE](#)). And here is a video that explains how to stop apps from updating in the background to save data ([IPHONE](#)), and a video on toggling roaming off in your network connections menu ([ANDROID](#)):

PLAN AHEAD: Check with your provider (Verizon, AT&T, etc.) before you leave. Many offer a Travel Pass for a flat daily fee if you want to use your regular data. HOWEVER, Travel Pass and similar plans generally do **not** apply while at sea, as the ship uses a satellite network. They typically only work once you are on land (e.g., in Bermuda).

USING WHATSAPP ON THE SHIP

(WhatsApp is often the best tool for international communication because it works over the internet rather than traditional phone lines.)

HOW IT WORKS: Use WhatsApp for free text, voice, and video calls whenever you have a stable Wi-Fi connection.

GROUP CHATS: Best for sharing quick updates with your travel companions in one place.

TEXTING VS. APP-BASED MESSAGING: Texting (SMS) relies on cellular networks. Sending or receiving texts internationally often incurs high per-message fees from your carrier. —

WhatsApp uses Wi-Fi, which is free to use globally and supports unlimited characters and media sharing. Here is a video that shows you how to set up WhatsApp: [LINK](#)