

HOSTED VOICE

Features and User Guide



WELCOME



Welcome to Astound Hosted Voice

Thank you for choosing Astound Hosted Voice as your new communications solution. By partnering with Astound Business Solutions, you now have access to incredible state-of-the-art technology and dedicated local support. Astound Hosted Voice offers you a robust, scalable communications package that fits your business.

This guide provides key information on your services and features, so you can get the most out of your Astound Hosted Voice solution.



OVERVIEW



One of the exciting benefits of **Astound Hosted Voice** is the ability to set up and control your communications according to the specific needs of your business.

You can customize and manage your phone, calling features and voicemail via the web portal:
<https://voice.myastoundphone.net>

You can also download applets by visiting our download page:
<https://www.astound.com/business/support/voice>

The applets include:

Attendant Console

A professional softphone for operators and receptionists.

The above applets are only available to users who add these features to their service.



This manual is a general overview of Astound Hosted Voice and not meant to be an in-depth description of all features. If you have any questions please reach out to your Astound Business account executive.



Logging into Myastoundphone:

Go to: <https://voice.myastoundphone.net>

Use your Astound phone number and password to log in.

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Phone Feature Overview



* Layout varies by phone model

Common Phone Access Codes

| Feature | Activate | Deactivate | Results |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------|--|
| Unconditional Call Forwarding | * 72 | * 73 | To forward calls immediately dial * 72 plus the number you want to forward calls to to Activate. Dial * 73 to Deactivate. |
| Busy Call Forwarding | * 90 | * 91 | Forward calls if your line is busy. |
| Call Pickup | * 11 | | To pick up an incoming call to any line within a pre-defined pickup group, dial * 11. The oldest incoming call within the group will be picked up on your line. |
| Directed Pickup (no barge-in) | * 12 | | To pick up an incoming call to a specific line within your Business Group, dial * 12 immediately followed by the extension of the Business Group line. The call will be picked up on your line. |

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Reference this section of the guide to learn about all the features you can use to streamline communication.

Find out how to log in to your Hosted Voice Web Portal, listen to voice mail, configure personal phone settings, transfer calls and activate frequently used shortcuts to maximize your service.

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Common Phone Access Codes

| Feature | Activate | Deactivate | Results |
|--------------------------|----------|------------|--|
| Caller ID | * 65 | * 85 | Displays incoming caller's name and number. |
| Automatic Recall | * 69 | * 89 | To return the call instantly without hearing the number first, dial * 69. To cancel all outstanding AR attempts, dial * 89. |
| Automatic Callback | * 66 | * 86 | To automatically callback the last outgoing call, dial * 66. To cancel all outstanding callback attempts, dial * 86. |
| Caller ID Block | * 67 | | Dial * 67, then the outbound number. This blocks your name and number on single outgoing calls. |
| Anonymous Call Rejection | * 77 | * 87 | This service automatically rejects all calls for which the caller has withheld the calling number. |
| Do Not Disturb | * 78 | * 79 | Allows you to block your line temporarily to prevent incoming calls. Outgoing calls can still be made as normal, but incoming calls are not connected; instead, the caller hears an announcement that you are not currently accepting calls. |
| VoiceMail | * 98 | | Access your voicemail by dialing * 98 from the Astound line. |

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Astound Portal Homescreen

The Homescreen gives quick access to the most frequently used options such as:

- Groups
- Call Settings
- Message Settings
- Notifications
- Reminders

Logging into your Astound Web Portal

Step 1: Ask your administrator for your initial password

Step 2: Enter this URL in browser:

<https://voice.myastoundphone.net>

Step 3: At login screen, enter your 10-digit phone number and Astound password

A screenshot of the Astound Portal Homescreen. The interface is dark-themed with a purple header. The header contains navigation links: Home, Messages and Calls, Contacts, Start, and User 1. Below the header is a 'Phone Status' section with tabs for Summary, Forwarding, Follow Me, and Screening. The 'Summary' tab is active, showing a 'Summary of Configured Services' section with three bullet points: 'All calls will ring your phone.', 'When busy, calls will be forwarded to voicemail.', and 'On no answer or when unavailable, calls will be forwarded to voicemail.'. Below this is a 'Your Services' section with five circular icons: Groups (with a '2' notification badge), Call Settings, Message Settings, Notifications (with a checkmark), and Reminders. At the bottom is a dark purple footer with three columns: 'Personal Details' (User 1, Devices, Allocated Licenses), 'Security' (Change Password, Change Call Services PIN, Change Voicemail PIN, Generate Phone Onboarding Code), and 'Support' (Help, Downloads, Send Feedback). Arrows from the text below point to the Groups, Call Settings, Message Settings, Notifications, and Reminders icons.

Groups

Members of the same work team or department

Call Settings

Set general call features like Call Forwarding, Call Blocking

Message Settings

Set up voice mail general information, call greetings, and mailbox access

Notifications

Establish how to get notified of voice mails

Reminders

Enable reminders for your phone number

ASTOUND PHONE Installation



Installation

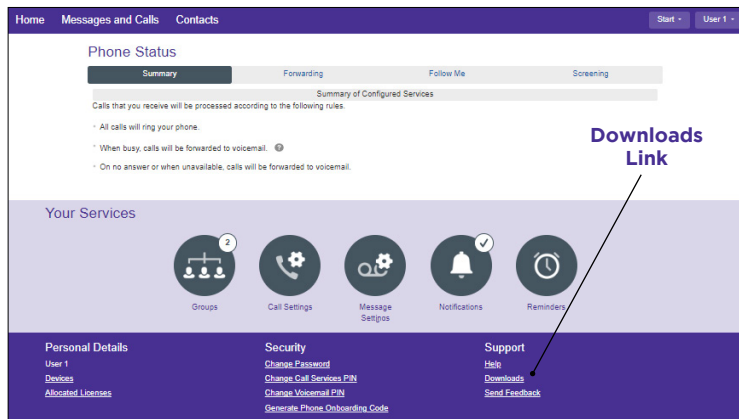
**Download the Astound Phone app for your desktop.
Access the web portal to download the app.**

1. Download through voice.myastoundphone.net:

Go to <https://voice.myastoundphone.net> and log into your account using your phone number and password credentials.

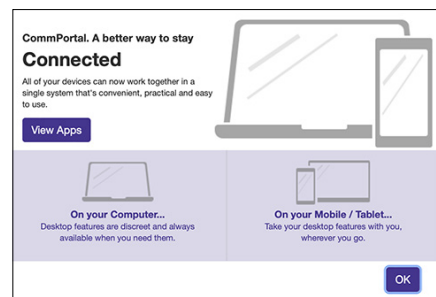
Go to the bottom right and click Downloads.

* Your Astound Hosted Voice Line must have the Astound Phone Desktop/Mobile client enabled for use. Please contact your administrator or Astound if you need assistance.



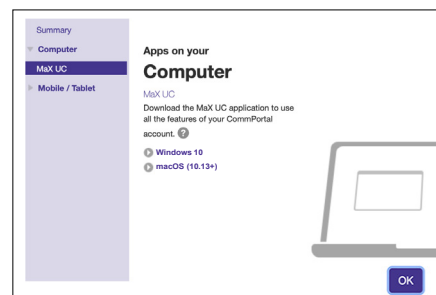
For Desktop and Laptop Computers:

Click on “On your Computer” in the Download Dialog box.



Select the appropriate Computer OS System. When prompted, save the file, then find the file in the download folder and open it to begin the installation process.

Follow the on-screen instructions to install the Astound Phone app.



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Home

The summary tab provides a description of how calls you receive will be handled, taking into account the settings for all of your incoming call services and any interactions between them.

The screenshot shows a web interface with a dark blue header containing 'Home', 'Messages and Calls', and 'Contacts'. On the right side of the header are 'Start' and 'Dallas 1' dropdown menus. The main content area is titled 'Phone Status' and has four tabs: 'Summary' (selected), 'Forwarding', 'Follow Me', and 'Screening'. Below the tabs is a section titled 'Summary of Configured Services' with the text 'Calls that you receive will be processed according to the following rules.' and three bullet points: 'All calls will ring your phone.', 'When busy, calls will be forwarded to voicemail.', and 'On no answer or when unavailable, calls will be forwarded to voicemail.'

Messages and Calls

Messages and Calls displays new and saved voice mail messages.

It also shows you:

- Missed Calls
- Received Calls
- Dialed Calls
- Deleted Voice Mail Messages

The screenshot shows a web interface with a dark blue header containing 'Home', 'Messages and Calls', and 'Contacts'. On the right side of the header are 'Make Call' and 'Jane Smith' dropdown menus. The main content area has tabs for 'Messages (3 New)', 'Missed', 'Dialed', 'Received', and 'Deleted'. Below the tabs are 'New Voicemail' and 'Delete All' buttons. A list of three messages is shown, each with a play button, the number '(888) 888-8888', a date and time, a duration, and 'Actions' and 'X' icons. At the bottom, there are three columns of links: 'Personal Details' (Sara Casanova, Devices), 'Security' (Change Password, Change Call Services PIN, Change Voicemail PIN), and 'Support' (Help, Downloads, Send Feedback).

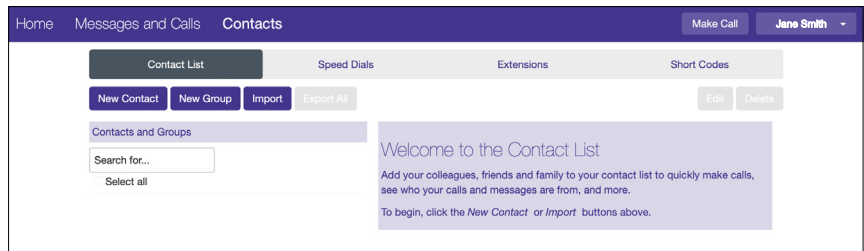
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Contacts

You can organize contacts and see extensions and short codes that are managed by the Business Group Administrator as well as:

- Create new contacts
- Create groups of contacts (such as customers, personal, etc.)
- Import a CSV file from a program that can export a CSV file (such as Outlook in Windows or the Contacts App in OS X)
- Export contacts (in a CSV format for use in other programs)
- Create Speed Dials (such as 41 for 1-212-555-4141)

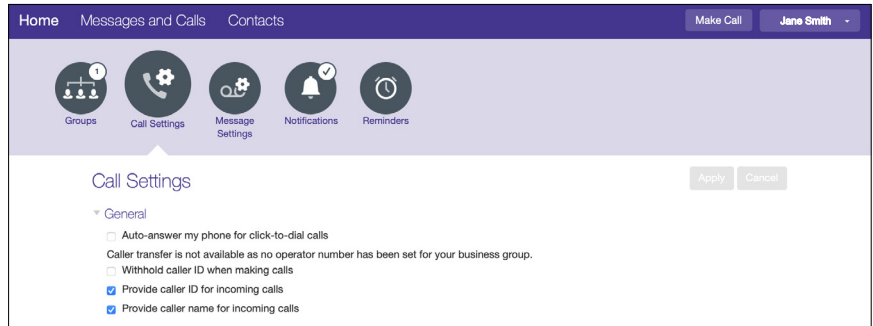


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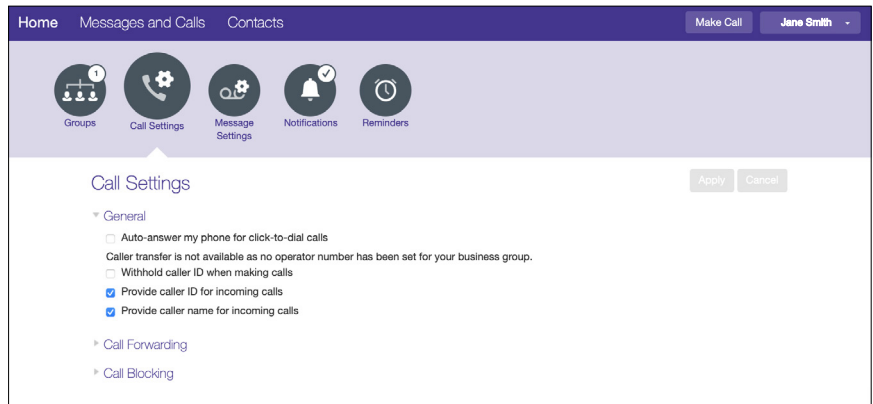


Call Settings

Settings allows you to configure your account and phone with some additional options.



General: This section has options for Caller ID, Call Forwarding and Call Blocking.



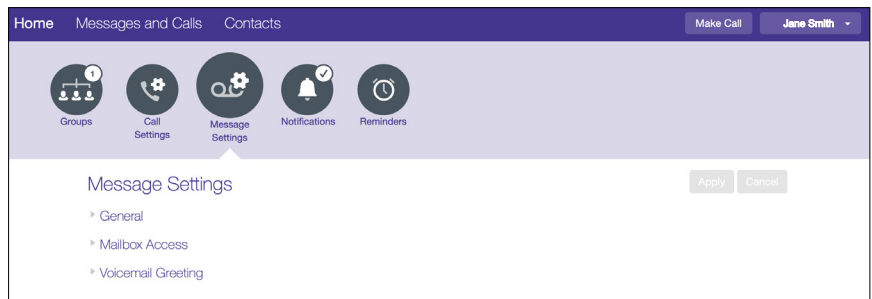
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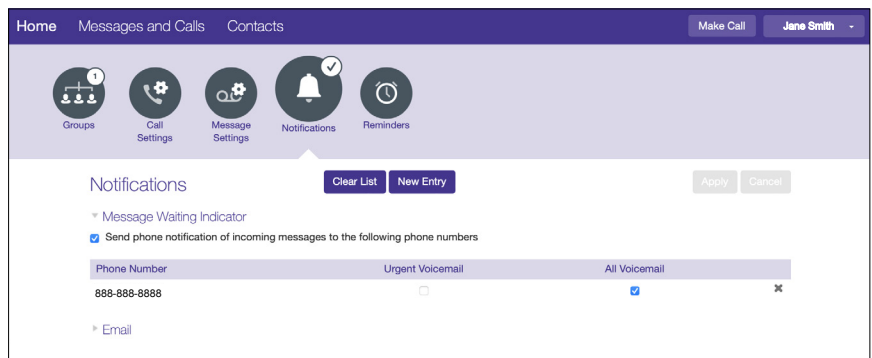
Additional Settings

Message Settings: Manage Voice Mail settings such as:

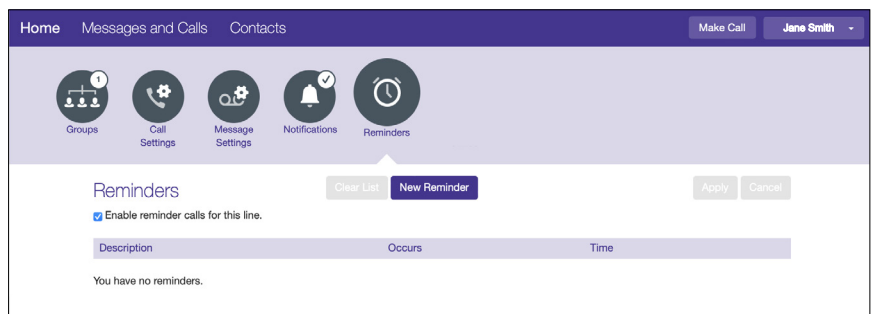
- Forward a voicemail as an audio file (.wav) to an email address
- Log in options and what information is played by default when listening to Voice Mail
- Record a new greeting or different greetings for when your line is busy, calls are outside normal business hours, or if they're calling from your business group.



Notifications: Where notifications should be sent.



Reminders: Reminders make a call to your Astound HV line.



CALLER ID Features



Caller ID Overview

Manage Caller ID and Name from Call Settings.

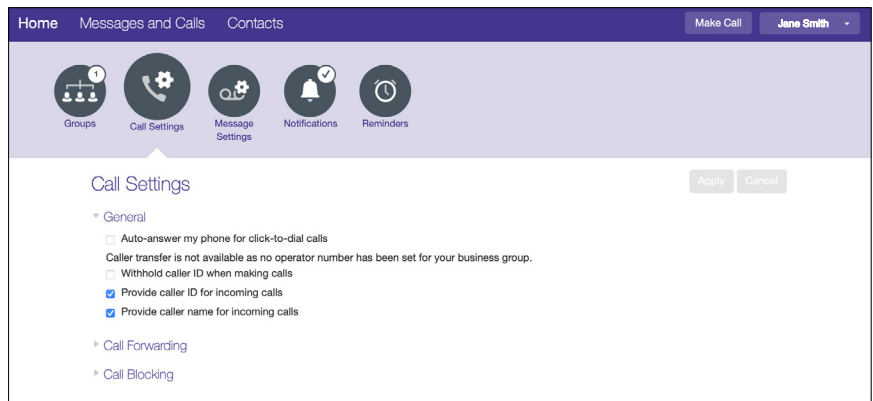
Actions in the web portal:

Step 1: Click Call Settings option

Step 2: Click on General drop down

Step 3: Click on the appropriate option

- Withhold Caller ID when making calls
- Provide caller ID for incoming calls / Provide caller name for incoming calls



CALLER ID Features



Caller ID Blocking

Prevents your phone number and/or name from appearing on the display unit of the called party. “P”, “Private”, or “Anonymous” will show on their display units.

If you have deactivated “Withhold Caller ID when making calls” you can still temporarily block your Caller ID Name and Number on a per call basis.

Per call ACTIVATION of Caller ID Block (before you dial):

*** 6 7**

Caller ID Permanent Blocking

Permanent Blocking is a service applied on your request. Caller ID Blocking will remain active at all times unless you deactivate this service before you place each phone call.

If the called party has “Anonymous Call Rejection”, your call will not be completed if the Caller ID Blocking feature is activated.

Caller ID Blocking must be deactivated to be able to reach the called party.

After deactivating the Caller ID Blocking, ID and number will appear on the Caller ID of the called party.

*** 6 5 To ACTIVATE Permanent Call Blocking**

*** 8 5 To DEACTIVATE Permanent Call Blocking**

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Voice Mail Access

Access from your Office Phone

1. Press any of the following buttons:



If the phone does not have a Voice Mail button dial * 98



Menu > Messages > Message Center > Connect

2. Enter your PIN

Access your Voice Mail from an Outside Line

1. Dial your phone number

2. Wait for greeting

3. Dial *

4. Enter your PIN

Message Playback Keys

| Playback Key Function | Key |
|---|-------------|
| Increases message volume | 6 |
| Incrementally increases message volume | 6 (pause) 6 |
| Slows playback speed | 7 |
| Incrementally slows playback speed | 7 (pause) 7 |
| Pauses playback (up to :20) audible “ping” sound will be heard during pause | 8 |
| Resumes playback | repeat 8 |
| Increases playback speed | 9 |
| Incrementally increases playback speed | 9 (pause) 9 |
| Date and time of message | 66 |
| Skips message back :05 | 77 |
| Skips message forward :05 | 99 |

The playback keys are only active during the playback of a message. They are designed to help you listen to your messages, for example by skipping back a few seconds to repeat an important detail.

VOICE MAIL

Features/Access



Access Voice Mail from the Portal

Voice Mail in web portal allows you to play and view Voice Mail messages.

Messages and Calls > Message Tab

Play Button
Click to listen to audio file of VM

Messages

New VM Button
Record and send new VM to the number you enter in box

List of Voice Mails

Delete All Button
Deletes entire VM box

Voice Mail Playback Pop-up Window
Control playback and save, delete or close each VM

Actions Dropdown Menu

- Reply
- Mark as heard
- Forward as Email (with VM as .wav file)
- Forward as Voice Mail

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Forwarding Features



Forwarding

You can access many different Call Forwarding options from the Home tab in the web portal.

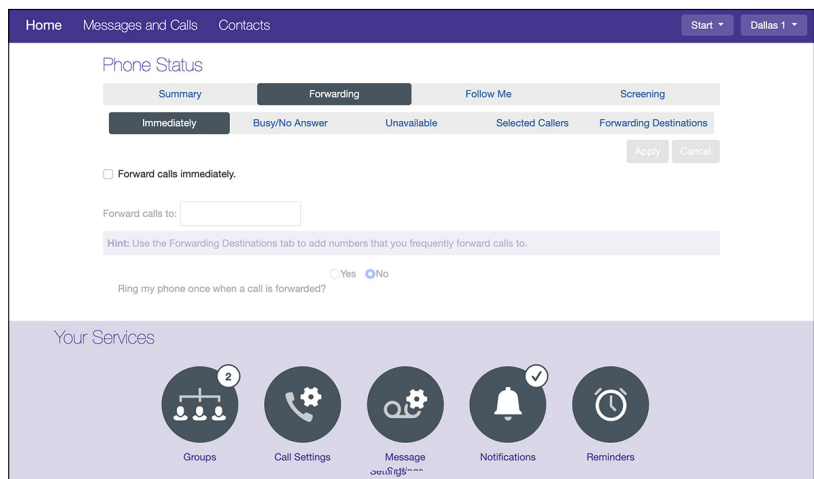
From the Homescreen > Forwarding >

- Immediately
- Busy/No Answer
- Unavailable
- Selected Callers
- Forwarding Destinations

Forwarding Settings in the Portal

1. Homescreen > Forwarding >

Manage Forwarding Options



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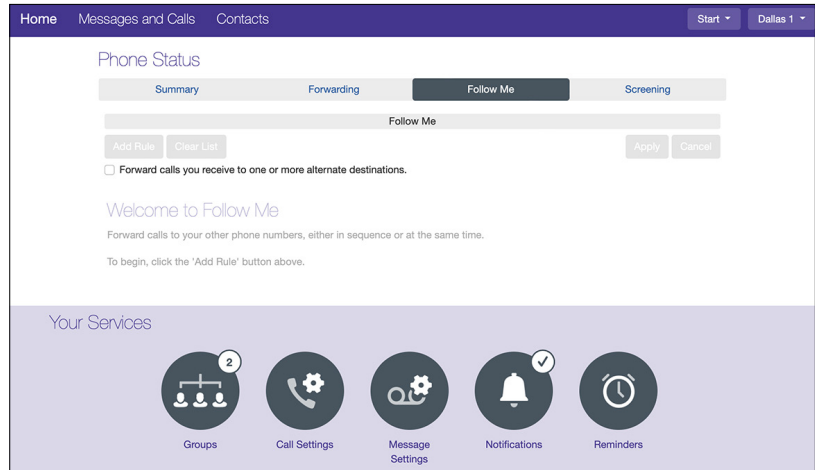


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2. Homescreen > Follow Me

When enabled, this service redirects calls that you receive to one or more alternate destinations. You may configure multiple destinations to ring in turn, simultaneously, or a combination of the two.

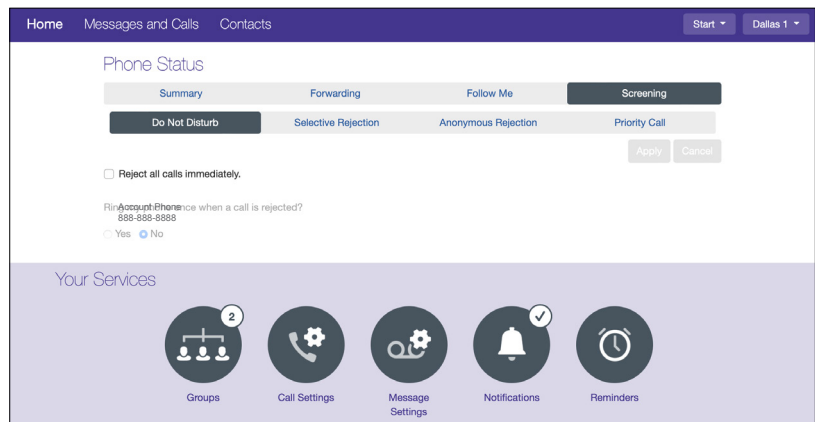
- To configure this service, you must define a number of rules. Each rule defines a destination you want to ring when you receive a call, and how long you wish that destination to ring for. Each rule is assigned to a numbered step.



2.5 Homescreen > Screening

Screening Options:

- Do Not Disturb
- Selective Rejection
- Anonymous Rejection
- Priority Call



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Forwarding Features



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2.5 Homescreen > Screening

- **Immediately:** Forwards Calls Immediately to another number.
- **Busy/No Answer:** Options to forward calls when no answer, or forward calls when busy.
- **Unavailable:** This sets up a forward in case your phone loses power or connection to the Astound phone service. In this circumstance callers would normally be sent directly to voicemail (or forwarded if that's the "if there is no answer" setting). This is a way to ensure even if the phone stops working you can still receive calls, for example on your mobile phone.
- **Selected Callers:** Create a list of numbers that will forward to the specified number when they call your account phone, no matter your other incoming call settings.
- **Do Not Disturb:** Calls are rejected immediately and forwarded to Voicemail.
- **Selective Rejection:** Create a list of numbers that will be rejected without ringing your account phone or going to voicemail. Common uses are for robo-calls or numbers being spammed or harassed from. The caller will hear a message that the person they are calling is not accepting calls from them.
- **Priority Call:** Create a list of numbers that will have a ring distinctive from the default ring. Common uses are to distinguish personal calls (e.g., partner, children) or co-workers on the same Astound account vs. other callers (e.g., distinguishing which is a call from a client vs. co-worker). The distinctive ringtone is defaulted and cannot be altered/selected.
- **Anonymous Rejection:** If turned on, anonymous callers (calls with caller ID blocked/masked) will be rejected and will not go to voicemail. Callers will hear a message that you've blocked anonymous callers.

CONTACT Features



Speed Dial

> Speed Dials > New Speed Dial

One digit codes range from 2-9. Two-digit codes range from 20-49.

Type in the number to be dialed.

Press “Add”.

Note: Include all numbers needed to dial out, eg: area code + number.

Using Speed Dial

Dial the speed dial number then press “Dial” on phone.

To delete Speed Dial: Under Speed Dial, press the black X next to the speed dial to be removed.

Press “Apply”.

The screenshot shows a web interface for managing speed dials. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Home, Messages and Calls, and Contacts. On the right, there are buttons for 'Make Call' and a user profile 'Jane Smith'. Below the navigation, there are four tabs: Contact List, Speed Dials (which is active), Extensions, and Short Codes. A message states: 'Makes dialing faster by allowing you to assign a one or two digit code to speed dial to different telephone numbers. One digit codes can range from 2-9. Two digit codes can range from 20-49.' There is a 'Clear List' button and a message: 'You have no speed dials set up.' On the right side, there is a 'New Speed Dial' section with a 'Speed Dial' dropdown menu set to '2', a 'Number' input field, and an 'Add' button. There are also 'Apply' and 'Cancel' buttons at the top right of the main content area.

CONTACT Features



Short Codes

A Short Code is a code specific to the Business Group or department that represents a (usually) external directory number or another code that can only be dialed within the Business Group or department (for example a Call Service access code). They can only be created by Administrators.

Short Codes may be either a single code (up to 7 digits) or a range of codes. Service Access Codes consist of a string of digits, and may optionally start with a * or #.

| Short Code | Telephone Number or Service Access Code |
|-------------|---|
| 7454 - 5329 | (888) 888-8888 - (888) 888-8888 |



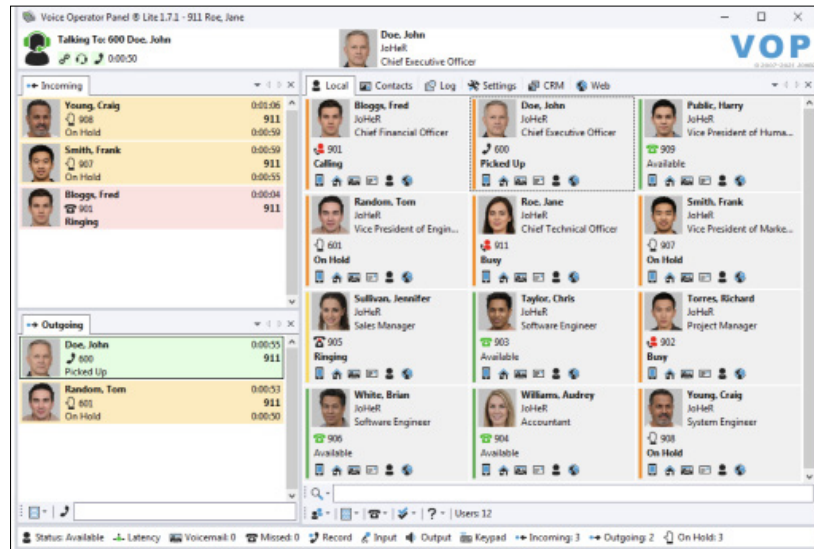
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Attendant Console



Attendant Console

Attendant Console is a specialized softphone with advanced capabilities for receptionists and front desk managers that allows them to manage multiple incoming calls at the same time seamlessly.



Adding this Service:

- Provides customers with a better user experience
- Manages medium to high call volume
- Offers more visibility within the workplace
- Provides call-flow efficiency

This service comes with:

- Presence status of a business's Hosted Voice Users
- Incoming and outgoing call dashboard
- Blind and Warm call transfer
- Local and External Directory
- Call Statistics Log

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Attendant Console



Attendant Console (Continued)

Other Features Include:

- Caller ID with Name and Contact's directory information
- Contacts' Presence & Phone status (Available, Ringing, Busy, Do Not Disturb, etc.)
- Detailed call log with filtering and search
- Call processing priority (red/orange/green)
- Timers for call duration and hold time
- Call forwarding (for all calls or for calls over a certain threshold)
- Call recording
- Email integration
- Headset support
- Call Statistics (current & peak number of incoming, outgoing, and calls on hold, number of missed calls)
- User customizable layout and font size adjustments for personalized experience

PHONE SET Features



Call Pickup

Call Pickup allows a subscriber on a Business Group Line to pick up an incoming call to any other line within a pre-defined group by dialing an access code.

Note: The Network Administrator will set up this feature for you.

1. Pick-up non-ringing phone, dial either:

***** **1** **1** or **CALL PICK-UP**

2. Ringing call will appear on the phone



Directed Call Pickup

Directed Call Pickup is a service that allows you to answer a call that is ringing on another line in the same business group. Additionally, some SIP phones can monitor the status of a line using Line State Monitoring. This means that, for example, an executive assistant can see when calls are made to the CEO, and pick them up when they are busy.

In order to use this feature, you will need to enable Directed Call Pickup and Line State Monitoring.

Once setup, simply dial:

***** **1** **2**

Immediately followed by the business line extension.
The call will be picked up on your line.

PHONE SET Features



Do Not Disturb

This is a button on the phone that puts the line on standby. DND can also be enabled/disabled in the web portal.

Activation

DND * 7 8

Deactivation

DND * 7 9



Three-Way Calling

1. After receiving an incoming call
2. Press **CONFERENCE**
3. Enter the number you wish to conference in
4. Press **SEND**

Note: A split button will appear on the phone, this will allow the conference to be split into two separate lines. This feature is optional.

5. Third party picks up
6. Press **CONFERENCE** and all three parties are now on the line together

Note: Three way calling is not a conference bridge.

PHONE SET Features



Call Transfer

1. After receiving an incoming call
2. Press **TRANSFER**
3. Type number to transfer
4. Press **SEND**
5. Once the third party picks up
6. Press **TRANSFER** again, this completes the transfer

Note: The default option is a Warm or Consultative Transfer. Which means you will speak with the receiving party prior to transfer. You have the option to perform a Blind transfer if you would prefer. Press and hold the transfer to see the Blind Transfer option. A Blind Transfer will send the call immediately to the dialed Ext or Phone number.

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Have More Questions?

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