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How your phone number moves onto an eSIM, and what it can't fix

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- [ ] **Check your telco supports eSIM transfers first.** Apple lists Optus, Telstra and Vodafone for eSIM Quick Transfer in Australia.
- [ ] **Keep your old phone nearby and unlocked until the new one activates.** Apple's Quick Transfer switches off the old SIM only once the new one activates.
- [ ] **Check both phones meet the minimum before you start.** Apple's Quick Transfer needs iOS 18.4 or later on both iPhones; Google's needs Android 12 or later.
- [ ] **Don't delete the eSIM profile while your number is moving.** Vodafone warns that deleting it can stop the number transfer.
- [ ] **Never share a verification code your telco sends.** A code is one way telcos check it's you before a SIM swap, and the message must tell you not to share it.
- [ ] **Call your telco if a code arrives that you didn't ask for.** An unexpected code may mean someone is trying to move your number.

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