# DIY Captioning a recorded video for a Facebook Page

Add captions to your Facebook Page's video to make it accessible to a broader audience. Facebook offers several ways to add captions. You can select automatically generate captions and edit them, write them yourself or you can upload a SubRip (.srt) file.

If you chose to use auto generated captions, there can be a delay in showing captions at the beginning while a message says, “Auto Generated Captions.” There is no delay with an upload of a SubRip file along with your video.

## Prepare to Upload Video with an SRT File to Facebook Page

1. You need two files. The video file and an SRT file.
2. Your caption file (SRT File) must be correctly named and formatted before you upload them.

The naming convention for SubRip (.srt) files is:

* + 1. **filename.[language code]\_[country code].srt (filename.en\_US)**
       1. Language and country codes are case sensitive. Language needs to be in lower case and country needs to be in upper case. For example, a United States English file would look like: filename.en\_US.srt.

## Upload video and SRT File to Facebook

1. Open Page, open Publishing tools on the left hand side.
2. Select Creators Studio.
3. Select create post, add video.
4. Add a title to the video and the post content.
5. Add language choice.
6. Select captions on the left panel
7. On the side of your video, you should see several options related to captions. Turn off the toggle for auto generated captions.
8. Upload the srt file.
9. Look for messages at the bottom for failure or that everything is complete.
10. Review or edit the captions in the review box. Watch timing, check spelling, punctuation and so forth.
11. When ready, select publish.

## Select Auto Captions for a Facebook Video file

1. Open Page, open Publishing tools on the left hand side.
2. Select Creators Studio.
3. Select create post, add video.
4. Add a title and language to the video and create the post content.
5. Select captions on the right panel.
6. Toggle On Auto generated captions AND toggle on Don’t add Captions until I review toggle options.
7. Scroll down and look for the status of: Video Upload and Captions Generated. If this is confirmed, look for Auto Generated Review Box.
8. Select Review and play the video while reviewing the timing and captions on the right. Correct spelling and punctuation.
9. Select Approve.
10. Select Next and publish (Immediately or schedule).

This adds the captions. If you cannot see them, make sure the captions ON is selected in your Facebook settings on the computer or the settings app for a mobility device.

## Add Captions to a Video already uploaded.

1. Once your video has uploaded, click on the video to open it up.
2. Click on the Three Dots to the right of the page name on the video screen.
3. Select **Edit Video.**
4. **Select Captions.**
5. Toggle on **Auto Captions** if you will use auto captioning.
6. Look below for a message if it is process or unable to auto generate a caption.
7. If this was successful, you will get a message and you can open the timed captioning to edit. Check spelling. It might indicate the confidence level of accuracy.
   1. If it was not able to create auto generated captions, try to reload your video file and add captions before publishing. Or create an srt file elsewhere and upload this to the existing video.
8. Make sure to select publish for newly added captions. Give it a minute to process and you should see your captions shortly.

People who watch your video with sound turned on will need to turn on captions to see them. The language people see captions in is determined by their preferred language.

For more help, visit [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/help/849140998552596?helpref=faq_content).

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