

ICSA How-to Guide

Create a Weibo Account

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Weibo is the second most popular social media site in China, after WeChat. It's like Twitter or Instagram and is a good place to share search posters.

Info about Weibo: chinahelp4u.com/category/weibo/

Instructions

IMPORTANT! Read through all instructions before starting!

Phone Number

You need a phone number from one of the accepted countries, which includes China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Macau, U.S., Canada, Brazil, Malaysia, Australia, Japan, Korea, Singapore, England, France, Russia, India, Thailand, Italy, Spain, Indonesia, Cambodia, Myanmar, Brunei, Philippines, Vietnam, Laos.

If your country isn't on the list, see if you can get a free U.S. number through [2ndLine](#) or you can get a nearly-free U.S. number with [Dingtone](#) – just a small cost per year. If you need a second number, get this set up first before proceeding!

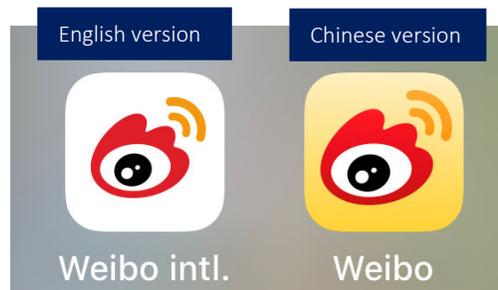
When using a 2ndline number, please keep that phone number active (sending a text message every month), so you can use that number again when you need to login again and they ask to confirm it with that phone number.

Create Account

You might need to try each of these methods to successfully sign up – Weibo.com website, Weibo International app, or the Weibo Chinese app. Try signing up first on Weibo.com using your computer – it's much easier than using one of the apps. If it doesn't work, you can try the apps.

Download the apps to your phone so that you have them ready to go. Search for Weibo (微博 = Weibo) and download both the Chinese and English versions of the app. Note that the English version may not be available in all countries; if you can't see it in Google Play, try downloading here: <https://weibo-weibo.en.uptodown.com/android/download>.

Remember to write down all details about what e-mail and mobile number you use, password, etc. for later.



On your computer, use **Google Chrome** to open the website: weibo.com/signup/signup.php.
Change language to English, bottom right.

The screenshot shows the Weibo registration page with the language dropdown menu open in the bottom right corner. The menu options are: Chinese (Simplified), Chinese (Simplified), Chinese (Taiwan), Chinese (Hong Kong), and English. The 'English' option is highlighted. The registration form includes fields for mobile number, password, birthday, and activation code, along with a 'Sign up now' button and various legal notices.

Choose **register with email**.
Sometimes this way works, sometimes not.

This screenshot is identical to the one above, but the text 'or register with email' is circled in red. The language dropdown menu is not open.

Fill in the requested fields.

This screenshot shows the registration page with the 'Email' field filled in. The 'or use Mobile Phone' link is visible. The 'Sign Up Now' button is highlighted. The page also includes a 'Weibo registration guide' section on the right side.



This might pop up. Fill in your mobile number (must be from one of the approved countries listed above).

The screenshot shows a 'Verify via SMS' dialog box overlaid on a registration form. The dialog box contains the following elements:

- Information: To avoid malicious registration, verify your phone number.
- Location: A dropdown menu currently set to 'China'.
- Mobile: A text input field containing '0086 Enter your phone No.'.
- Buttons: 'Get A-Code for free' and 'Submit'.
- Link: 'Can't receive a verification code?'.

The background registration form includes fields for Email (hjula21@gmail.com), Password, Birthday (1981), and Verification code (SP2A). A 'Sign' button is visible at the bottom of the form.

You may get a small task to do like this or something similar.

The screenshot shows a 'Click and drop' task dialog box overlaid on the same registration form. The dialog box contains the following elements:

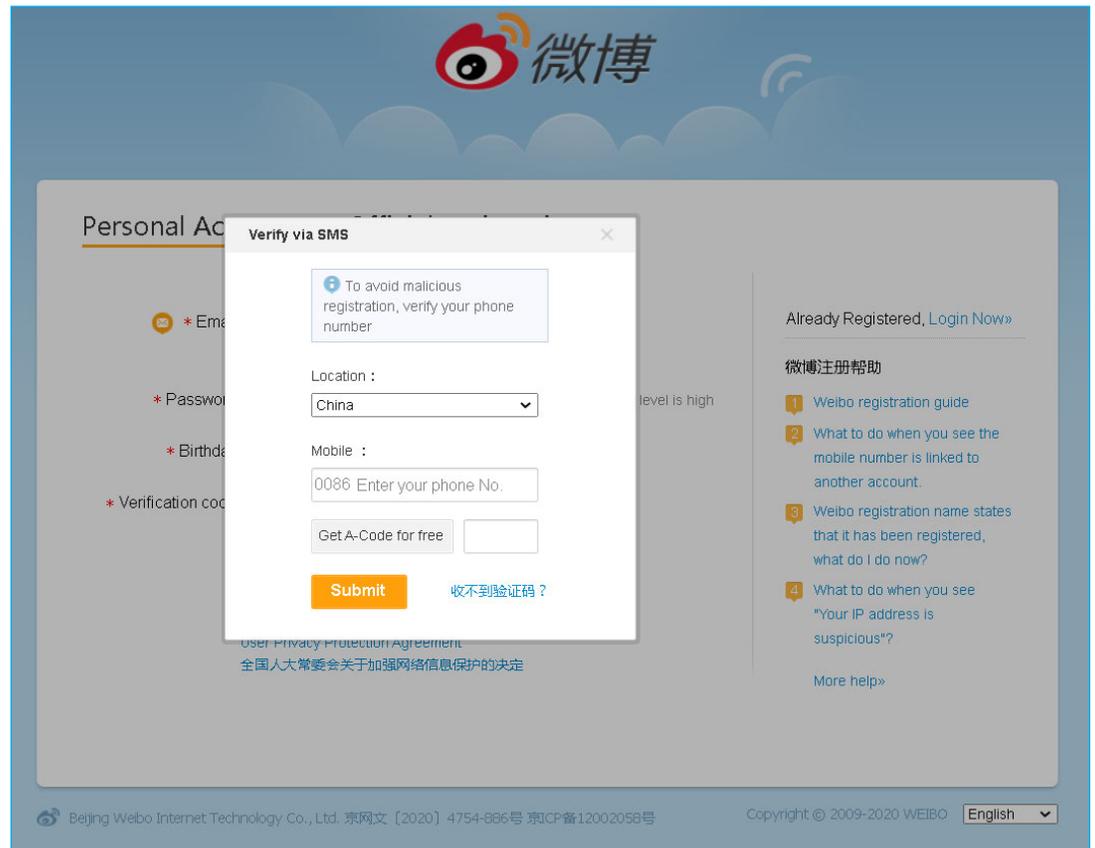
- Instruction: 'Click and drop it to line up five same elements in a row'.
- Task Area: A 5x5 grid of colored circles (yellow, black, light blue, blue, white).
- Buttons: 'Close' (X), 'Refresh' (C), and 'Previous' (left arrow).

The background registration form is the same as in the previous screenshot.

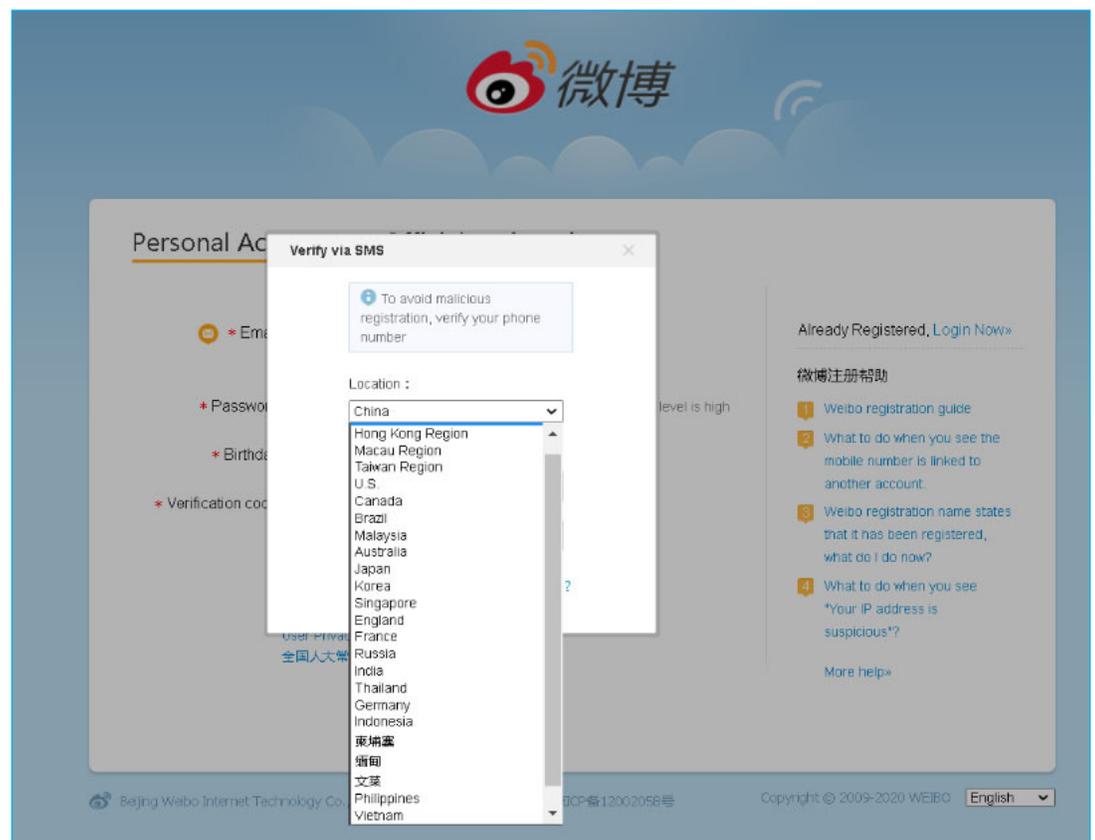


Then you should receive an SMS text with a code to fill in.

Only click “get code” once! If it doesn't work, close all sites and try another day!



Use mobile phone number to sign up. Must be from one of the approved countries or a second number you've set up.



Can't receive the verification code?

<https://kefu.weibo.com/faqdetail?id=20136>

Why there is no SMS or private message verification code

1. If the **SMS verification code** is not received, the points are as follows:

1. **Please try again later (-2)/(-3)/(-6)/(-10)**

Please use your local mobile phone number to proceed Binding.

2, suggesting **Please try again later (-4) / (- 5) / (- 8)**

Please try again every few hours.

3. Prompt, **please try again later (-1)**

According to the country's real-name system requirements, please change to a new mobile phone, the current mobile phone is not allowed to bind

4. Prompt that the **verification code exceeds the limit of times**

Please try again after 24 hours.

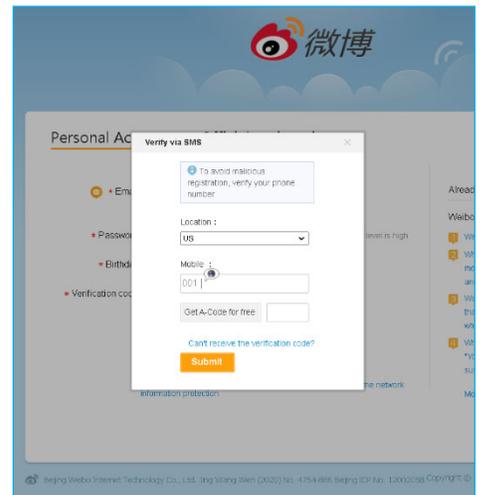
5. **When you change your mobile phone number, you can't receive the verification code. You can click to view other replacement methods in the process of replacing the bound mobile phone.**

6. **Double login verification is enabled, and the mobile phone number cannot receive the verification code.**

7. The mobile phone security software intercepts the verification code and the SMS is blocked. If the trash can is deleted, please open the trash can to check

8. The operator channel failure

will cause a delay in the sending of the SMS. Please wait patiently or click to obtain the verification code again.



Finish Up

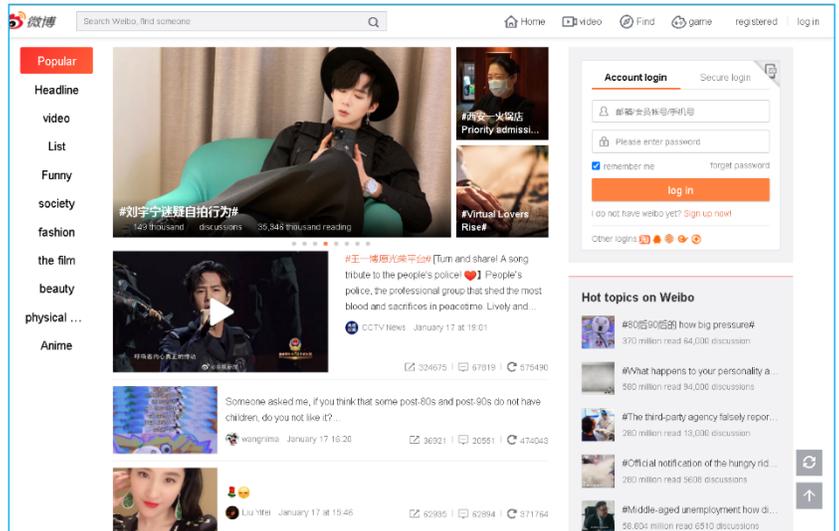
- You will then be asked to enter basic personal information. Note that you must enter all the information for each section and get a green check to proceed to the next page.
- After submission, choose **at least one interest** and then click Enter.
- After registering, you will be led to your account home page. But you're not done yet!
- You need to verify your account via email, or you will not be able to follow user accounts.
- When all is done, log in to both apps and on computer.

[Weibo \(微博\) language setting And Weibo translation | Weibo English | Weibo translator](#)

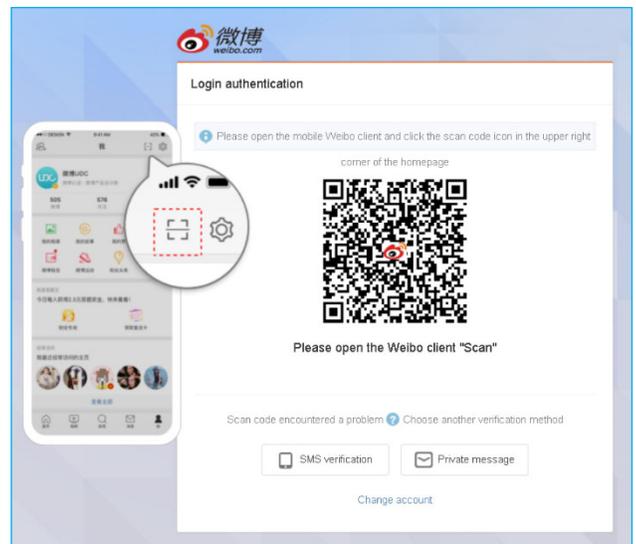


Log in to Weibo

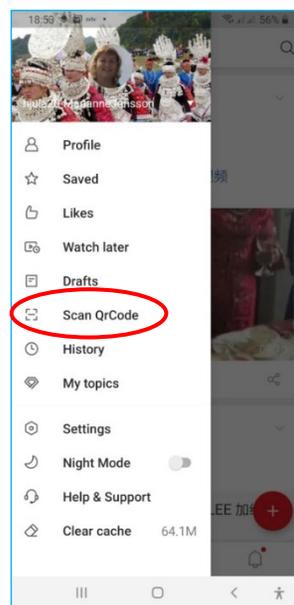
Try to log in via your email and password
weibo.com/login.php



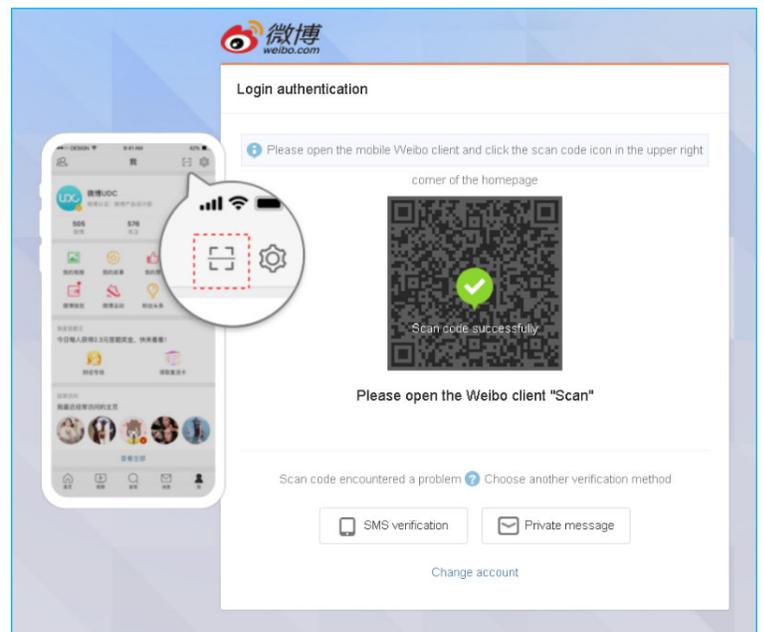
You might see this.



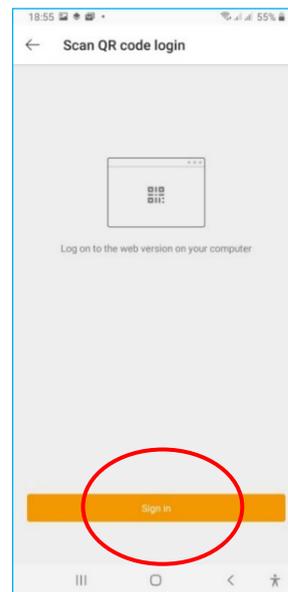
Then use your app. Click *Scan QRcode*.



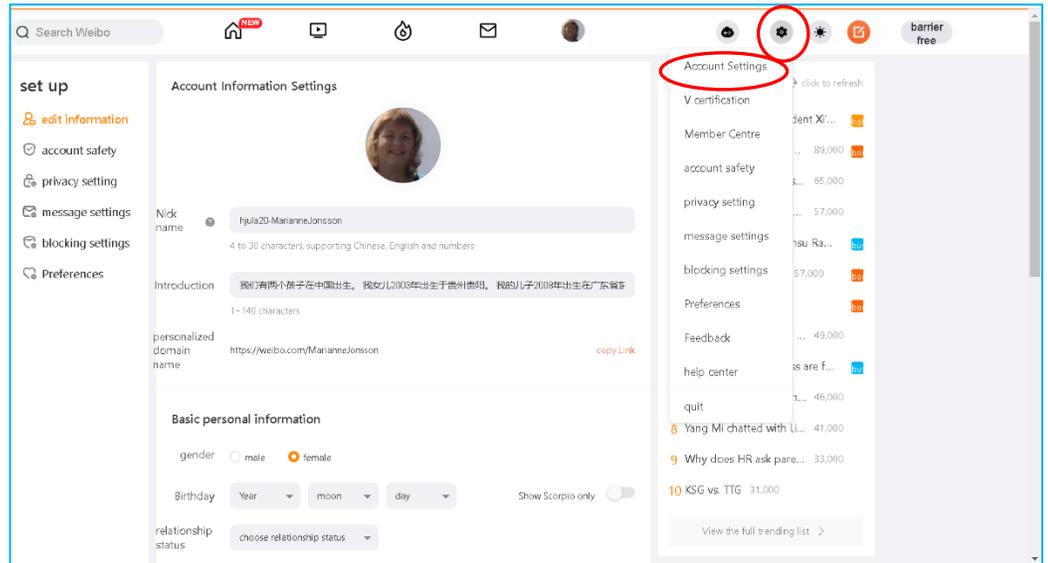
Wait until the green V is visible.



Then click on the app and sign in. Wait 30 seconds, or you might need to just refresh your browser!



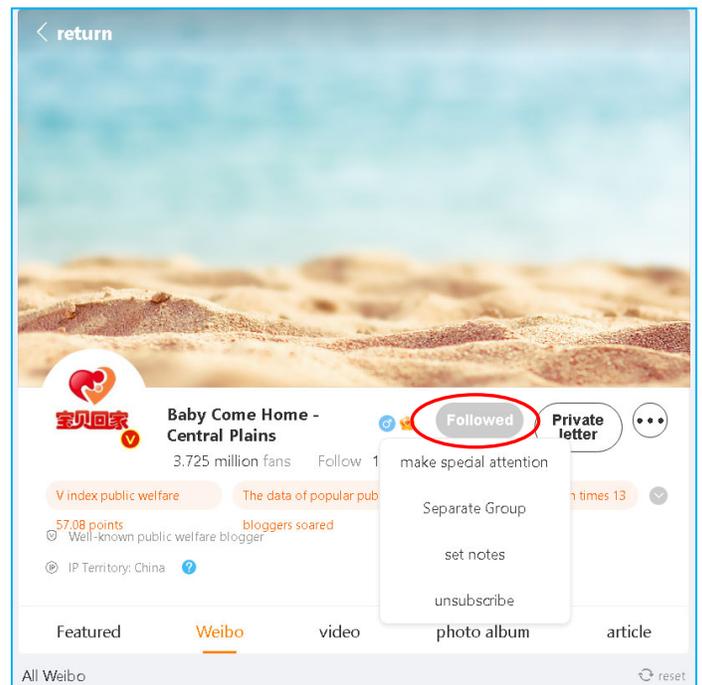
Fill in your profile text in Chinese, age, etc.



You can follow other Weibo accounts by clicking **Follow**.

Use **Set Notes** to add your own notes to remember details about the page, for example province, city, etc.

Use **Separate Group** to organize the accounts you're following into categories.



More Information

How to sign up for Weibo account outside of China:

[How-To's: Help Register a Sina Weibo Account Overseas from Desktop](#)

[Sign Up Sina Weibo Account For Foreigners](#)

[\[TUTORIAL\] How to Make a Weibo Account \(WEB\)](#)

[How to sign up Weibo account outside of China | Mobile And PC](#)

微博注册帮助 = Weibo registration help

All FAQ: kefu.weibo.com/allfaq

Weibo info: kefu.weibo.com/#15955

Weibo self-service: kefu.weibo.com/selfservice

