

# Skype Hardware

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To use Skype you need a headset and a web cam. We recommend the followings items from <http://www.amazon.com>:

	<p>Description: Logitech USB Headset H540</p> <p>Catalog No: B0091F8F7A</p> <p>Price: \$37.05</p> <p>Vendor: Amazon.com</p>
	<p>Description: Logitech HD Pro Webcam C920</p> <p>Catalog No: B006JH8T3S</p> <p>Price: \$71.99</p> <p>Vendor: Amazon.com</p>

Your computer will also need to meet the following *system requirements*:

## System requirements

*The most recent system requirements may be found [here on the Skype website](#).*

- PC, Mac, or Linux computer.
- Internet connection; Skype recommends broadband.
- Speakers and microphone – built-in or separate. The best quality is usually attained from a headset or handset rather than built-in microphones.
- **For voice calls:** Skype recommends a broadband connection with 100 kbps download / 100 kbps upload speed.
- **For video calls:** a webcam. If you wish to use High-Definition video, you will need a webcam that records HD, a dual core processor, and an internet connection of at least 512 kbps.

- **For group video conferencing:** everyone on the call needs Skype 5.0 for Windows or Mac or higher plus webcams, and at least one person needs a group video calling subscription. For best quality, Skype recommends that you use a high-speed broadband connection of 4Mbps down / 512kbps up and a computer with a Core 2 Duo 1.8 GHz processor. They also recommend a minimum broadband internet connection of 512kbps download / 128kbps upload, and a computer with a 1 GHz processor.