# **Zoom – troubleshooting**

## A. AUDIO PROBLEMS

# I. MICROPHONE (WINDOWS) - OPERATIONAL PROBLEMS

- 1. Make sure the MUTE function is not turned on.
- 2. Exit the Zoom application and then restart it. Make sure **JOIN WITH COMPUTER AUDIO** is selected when entering the meeting.
- 3. Make sure at least one microphone is installed on your device along with the latest drivers. The drivers can be downloaded by going to your microphone manufacturer's website.
- 4. Open the drop-down list in Zoom by clicking on the arrow next to the microphone symbol. Select the **TEST SPEAKER & MICROPHONE** option:
- a. If you heard a beep in the speakers/headphones, click YES.
- b. Say something into the microphone. If you heard your voice click **YES**. If not, the application will test all microphones available on your device. Click **YES** if you hear your voice while testing any of the microphones.
- 5. Open the drop-down list in Zoom by clicking on the arrow next to the microphone symbol. Try selecting a different microphone than the one currently selected.
- 6. Open the sound settings on your computer (right-click on the speaker symbol at the bottom right of the screen and select **OPEN SOUND SETTINGS**). Go to **ADVANCED SOUND SETTINGS** (at the bottom of the page) and make sure your microphone is not muted.
- 7. Open the sound settings on your computer (right click on the speaker symbol at the bottom right of the screen and select **OPEN SOUND SETTINGS**). Under the **INPUT** heading, select **SOLVE PROBLEMS**.
- 8. Go to Windows settings (START button in the lower left corner of the screen, then select SETTINGS cogwheel symbol). Go to the microphone tab. Make sure that the option to **PERMIT APPLICATIONS TO ACCESS YOUR MICROPHONE** is **ON**. Make sure Zoom is in the list of applications that can access your microphone.
- 9. Try connecting your phone's headset (or another headset if you have one) to your computer. In Zoom, select the name of your headset from the drop-down list by clicking the arrow next to the microphone symbol. Then select the **TEST SPEAKER & MICROPHONE** option.

# II. SPEAKERS (HEADPHONES) (WINDOWS) - PERFORMANCE ISSUES

- 1. Exit Zoom and then restart it. Make sure **JOIN WITH COMPUTER AUDIO** is selected when entering the meeting.
- 2. Make sure speakers are connected to your device or your device has built-in speakers.
- 3. Make sure the latest speaker drivers are installed on your device. You can find information about the speakers available on your device by right-clicking on the speaker symbol in the lower right corner of the screen and selecting **OPEN SOUND SETTINGS**). Under the **OUTPUT** heading you will find a list of speakers available for your device. You can download the drivers by going to the manufacturer's website for your speakers.
- 4. Open the drop-down list in Zoom by clicking on the arrow next to the microphone symbol. Select **TEST SPEAKER & MICROPHONE**. If you heard a beep in your speakers/headphones, click **YES**. If not, the app will test all speakers/connected headphones available on your device. Click **YES** if you hear a beep when testing available speakers or connected headphones.
- 5. Open the drop-down list in Zoom by clicking on the arrow next to the microphone symbol. Try selecting speakers/headphones other than the ones currently selected.
- 6. Open the sound settings on your computer (right click on the speaker symbol at the bottom right of the screen and select **OPEN SOUND SETTINGS**). Go to **ADVANCED SOUND SETTINGS** (at the bottom of the page) and make sure your speakers/headphones are not muted.
- 7. Open the sound settings on your computer (right click on the speaker symbol at the bottom right of the screen and select **OPEN SOUND SETTINGS**). Under the **OUTPUT** heading, select **SOLVE PROBLEMS**.
- 8. Try connecting your phone's headset (or another headset if you have one) to your computer. In Zoom, select the name of your headset from the drop-down list by clicking the arrow next to the microphone symbol. Then select the option **TEST SPEAKER & MICROPHONE**.

#### III. ECHO AND OTHER AUDIO INTERFERENCE

- 1. Make sure there is no other person using Zoom or any other instant messaging application nearby. Try to use Zoom if you are the only person in the room.
- 2. If this is not possible, share one audio device with another participant.

- 3. The volume of another meeting participant's speakers may be too loud. Ask the other meeting participant to turn down their speakers.
- 4. Make sure there is no cell phone/internet modem near the device you are using.
- 5. Make sure your microphone is working properly.
- 6. Make sure your speakers / headphones are operational and working properly

### **B. VIDEO PROBLEMS**

## I. CAMERA (WINDOWS) PROBLEMS

- 1. Make sure the **STOP VIDEO** function is **OFF**.
- 2. Exit the Zoom application and then restart it. Make sure **JOIN WITH VIDEO** is selected when entering the meeting.
- 3. Make sure your device is equipped with a camera. If you have a desktop computer (**PC**), verify that the external camera is properly connected to it.
- 4. Open the drop-down list in Zoom by clicking on the arrow next to the camera symbol. Select **VIDEO SETTINGS...**:
- a. Make sure that the correct camera is selected. You can select a camera from the drop-down list at the top of the window that appears.
- b. Make sure that TURN OFF MY VIDEO WHEN JOINING A MEETING is not checked.
- 5. Test your camera:
- a. Click the arrow icon next to the camera symbol.
- b. From the drop-down list, select **VIDEO SETTINGS...** .
- c. If your camera is connected and working properly, you will be able to see yourself at the top of the screen. If not, try selecting another camera from the drop-down list.
- 6. Make sure that the latest camera drivers are installed on your computer. If you are using a laptop and an integrated camera, you can download the drivers from the laptop manufacturer's website. If you are using an external camera connected to a desktop computer (**PC**), you can download the drivers from the camera manufacturer's website.
- 7. Open Windows camera settings (**START** button in the lower left corner of the screen, then select **SETTINGS** cogwheel symbol). Go to the camera tab. Make sure the Allow apps to access your camera option is **ON**. Make sure Zoom is in the list of applications that can access your camera.
- 8. Make sure that no other program is using your camera while you are using Zoom.

## II. CAMERA (ANDROID / IOS) - PROBLEMS

1. Check if the camera of your phone / tablet is working properly. You can use it in normal movie / photo mode or any other app that has access to the camera.



- 2. Make sure the video feature is turned on **VIDEO ON** before joining the meeting. If you are unsure/remember if the video feature was turned on, exit the application and restart it.
- 3. If this is your first time using the Zoom app on your mobile device, the app has asked for access to your camera and microphone when joining a meeting. If it did not get your permission, the camera was automatically disabled. In this case, disable the app, restart it, and give permission to use your microphone and camera when joining a meeting.

### C. INTERNET CONNECTION PROBLEMS

Problems with the Internet connection are indicated by the message YOUR INTERNET CONNECTION IS UNSTABLE.

- 1. Make sure that the Internet connection to your computer is not broken. You can find the Internet connection information in the lower right corner of your computer screen.
- 2. Make sure that no other programs/applications that use the Internet are open on your device. Turn off all other programs/applications that use or access the Internet, and then restart Zoom.
- 3. If your computer is using **Wi-Fi** to connect to the Internet, ensure that other devices that access the **Wi-Fi** network have been turned off/ disconnected from the **Wi-Fi** network and are not overloading your network.
- 4. If the above solution did not help, try connecting your computer to the Internet using a network cable.



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