



## IFTTT for Seagate Network Storage User Manual

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# Introduction

Thank you for purchasing Seagate network storage. Your Seagate device is designed to provide easy centralized access to your data. It also includes a web-based management tool called the web board. You can launch the web board to manage:

- Access to the device
- Data backups
- File sync to popular cloud services
- Automated downloads
- Third-party apps for Seagate storage

For more information on how to launch the web board and manage your Seagate network storage, see your product's user manual:

- [Seagate Personal Cloud](#)
- [Seagate Personal Cloud 2-bay](#)

## IFTTT

The acronym “IFTTT” stands for [If This Then That](#). IFTTT links your favorite apps, services and devices and automates actions between them. Links between apps, services and devices are called IFTTT [recipes](#). For example, you want to receive weather notifications on your Android phone each morning at 7:00 AM. Using IFTTT, you can choose a weather app or service and then link it to your Android device.

Each app, service and device has its own IFTTT [channel](#). There are channels for apps such as Instagram, cloud services such as Amazon Cloud Drive and devices such as Android mobile devices. The links you create on IFTTT make the connections between them and facilitate automation so that you do not have to manually repeat the same tasks.

Your Seagate storage features its own channel with a wide array of easy-to-configure recipes. A common recipe is automatically downloading photos that you take on your mobile device to the Seagate storage. Each time you snap a photo, you are guaranteed that it is backed up and available for viewing on your Seagate storage. There is no need to perform the task manually since the recipe has been enabled on the Seagate storage IFTTT channel.



See the image below to view how default recipes are presented on the Seagate storage IFTTT channel.

## Popular Seagate Personal Cloud Recipes



**if**  **then** 



**Download your favorite songs to Seagate Personal Cloud**

by [seagatechn...](#)  9  2



**if**  **then** 

**Add files to Seagate Personal Cloud from Dropbox**

by [seagatechn...](#)  6  0


**if**  **then** 

**Download any new Android Photos to your Seagate Personal Cloud**

by [seagatechn...](#)  7  0

**if**  **then** 



**Download your public Flickr photos to your Seagate Personal Cloud**

by [seagatechn...](#)  4  0



**if**  **then** 

**Instagram Favorites to Seagate Personal Cloud**

by [seagatechn...](#)  6  0

**if**  **then** 

**Create Evernote Image Notes from your Seagate Personal Cloud Photos**

by [seagatechn...](#)  7  0

[Browse more Recipes](#)

For further information about IFTTT, see [About IFTTT](#).

For a list of example IFTTT recipes, see [IF recipes](#).

# Getting Started

Follow the steps below to connect your Seagate storage device to IFTTT.

## Step 1: Create an IFTTT account

It is highly recommended to create an IFTTT account before installing and launching the IFTTT app on your Seagate storage device.

### I already have an IFTTT account:

1. Go to [ifttt.com](https://ifttt.com).
2. Click **Sign in** on the upper right.
3. Enter your credentials and click **Sign in**.

Remain logged into your IFTTT account for the next steps.

### I do not have an IFTTT account:

1. Go to [ifttt.com](https://ifttt.com).
2. Click **Sign Up** on the upper right.
3. Enter your credentials and click **Create account**.

Remain logged into your IFTTT account for the next steps.

## Step 2: Install the IFTTT app

You can install and manage apps like IFTTT in App Manager.



**Important info:** Make certain to use the same web browser that you used to log into your IFTTT account.

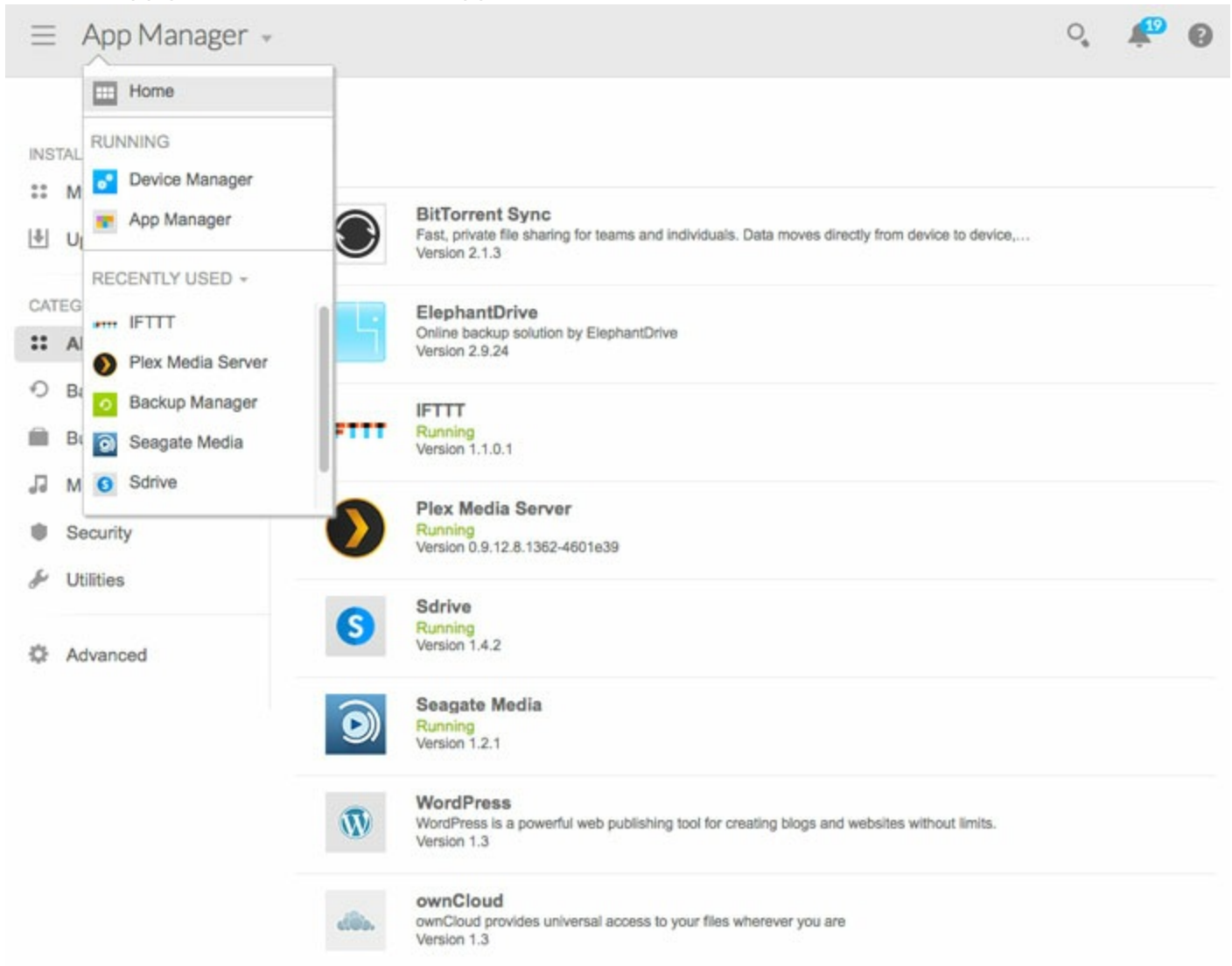
1. Launch the Seagate storage device's web board. For instructions, see the manual for your product:
  - [Seagate Personal Cloud](#)
  - [Seagate Personal Cloud 2-bay](#)
2. From the web board's Home page, click **App Manager**.
3. Under CATEGORIES on the left, choose **All**.

4. Pass the cursor over the IFTTT app to choose **Install**.

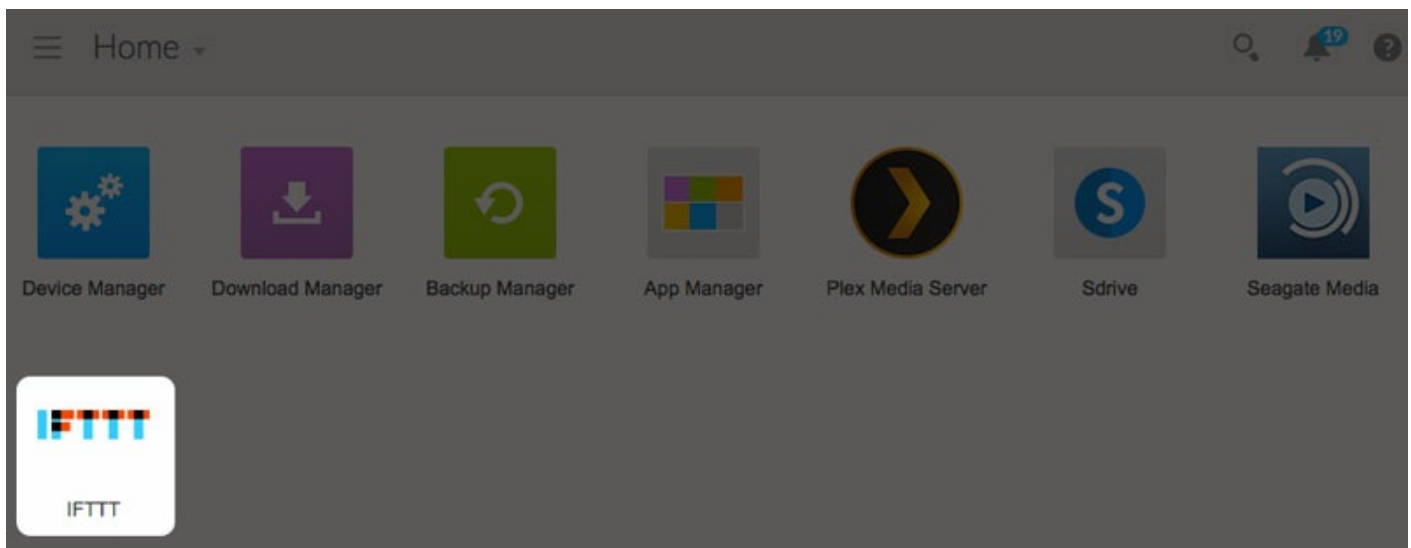
## Step 3: Connect your Seagate storage to your IFTTT account

Your Seagate storage device must be connected to your IFTTT account to create IFTTT recipes. You are prompted to make the connection the first time you launch the IFTTT app.

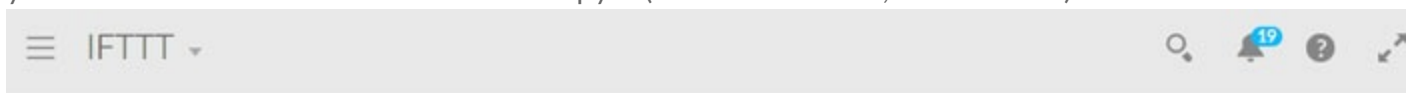
1. Click the App pull-down menu on the upper left and then choose Home.



2. On the Home page, click the IFTTT app.



3. For security reasons, the IFTTT app provides a unique code to connect the Seagate storage device to your IFTTT account. Select the code and copy it (Windows: Ctrl+C; Mac: cmd+C).



4. Click the link [Seagate Personal Cloud channel on IFTTT](#). A new tab opens.
5. If you are logged into your IFTTT account, the new tab provides the field to enter the Personal Cloud code. Paste the code (Windows: Ctrl+V; Mac: cmd+V) and then click **Submit**.

# Enter your Personal Cloud code

Type or paste the code provided by your Personal Cloud and then click Submit.

- If you are not logged into your IFTTT account, the IFTTT login page appears in the new tab. Enter your IFTTT credentials and then sign into your account. Return to the previous tab by clicking it in the browser and repeat steps 4 and 5. The field to enter the code should now be available to paste the code.
6. Choose **Authorize** to allow IFTTT to access your Seagate storage device for IFTTT recipes.

IFTTT opens to the Seagate Personal Cloud channel.



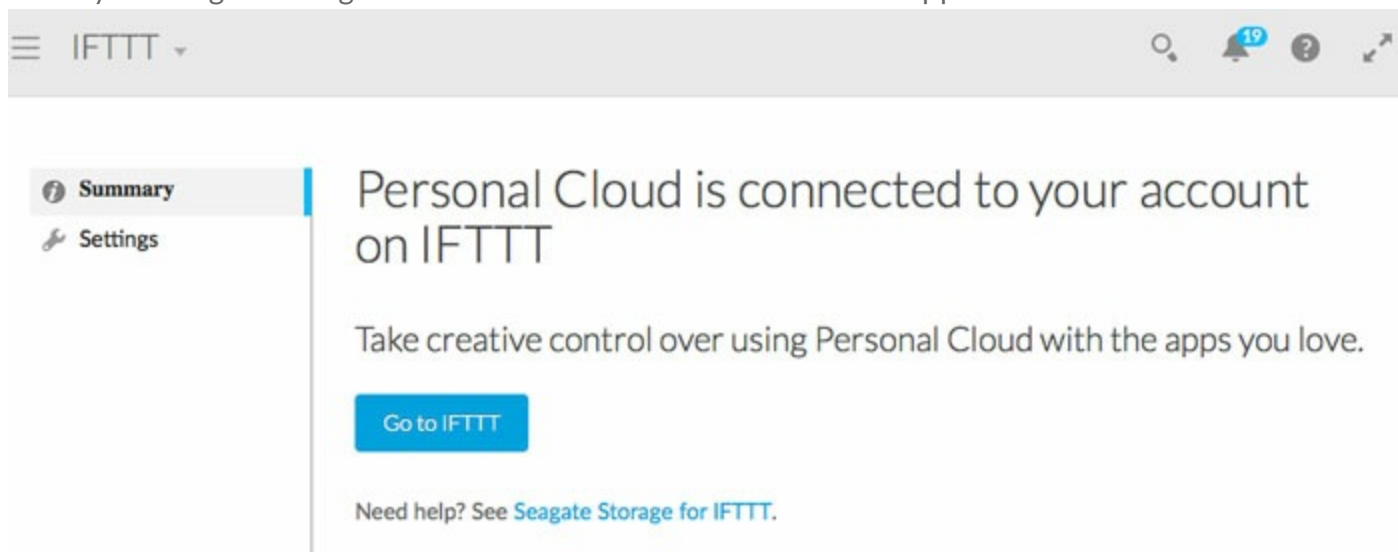
# Using IFTTT

IFTTT provides an intuitive interface to link apps, services and devices. Review the tips below to help you create recipes for your Seagate storage device.

## Sign into IFTTT

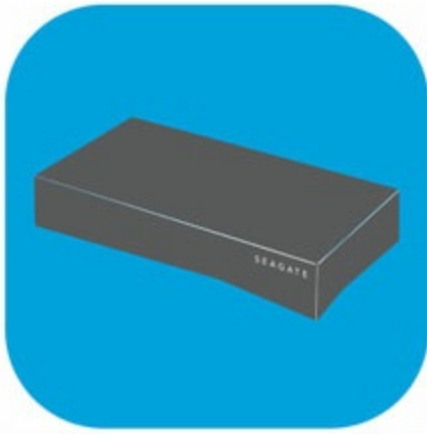
You have three options for signing into your IFTTT account:

1. Go to [ifttt.com](http://ifttt.com) to sign in using your username and password.
2. Go to your Seagate storage device's web board to launch the IFTTT app and then click **Go to IFTTT**.



3. Launch the IF by IFTTT app on your iOS or Android device and sign in using your username and password.

## Personal Cloud channel and prebuilt recipes



Seagate Personal Cloud is a smart storage device for backing up, sharing, and streaming content to any screen. Unlike traditional clouds, you get massive storage, no recurring fees, and your files are stored in the privacy of your home.

Connected as: [jash](#)

[Add a new device](#)

[Reconnect Channel](#)

[Disconnect](#)

### Popular Seagate Personal Cloud Recipes

| if  | then |
|---|------|
|   |      |
| <b>Download your favorite songs to Seagate Personal Cloud</b> |      |
| by <a href="#">seagatetechn...</a> 9 2                        |      |

| if  | then |
|---|------|
|   |      |
| <b>Add files to Seagate Personal Cloud from Dropbox</b> |      |
| by <a href="#">seagatetechn...</a> 6 0                  |      |

| if  | then |
|---|------|
|   |      |
| <b>Download any new Android Photos to your Seagate Personal Cloud</b> |      |
| by <a href="#">seagatetechn...</a> 6 0                                |      |

You can view prebuilt recipes for on The Seagate Personal Cloud channel.

When signing into IFTTT via the app on the Seagate storage's web board, you land on the Seagate Personal Cloud channel.

You can also go to the Personal Cloud channel from any part of IFTTT:

1. Click **Channels** on the top right of the IFTTT web page.
2. Type **Seagate Personal Cloud** in the Search Channels field.
3. Click the Seagate Personal Cloud icon.

The Personal Cloud channel gives you six prebuilt recipes on its home page. You can click **Browse more Recipes** to view additional prebuilt recipes. Prebuilt recipes allow you to easily link your Seagate storage device to your personal accounts on:

- Instagram
- Facebook

- Soundcloud
- Dropbox
- Android photos
- iOS Photos
- Flickr
- Evernote
- Gmail

Review the prebuilt recipes for these apps and services and much more on the Seagate Personal Cloud channel.

## Choosing a prebuilt recipe for services and devices

To choose a prebuilt recipe, click its button. IFTTT walks you through the steps to link your Seagate storage to the app, service or device you have selected.

### Services

For security reasons, the steps for linking to a service include a prompt to enter your credentials for the service. For example, you are prompted for your Dropbox account credentials when choosing the recipe **Add files to Seagate Personal Cloud from Dropbox** or your Google account credentials when choosing the recipe **Download Gmail attachments to your Seagate Personal Cloud**.

Additionally, you can select the location to store files from linked services. On the recipe page, click the **Location** pull-down menu to choose the folder for the files.



# Download Gmail attachments to your Seagate Personal Cloud

**Notes:** Save all your Gmail attachments to your Seagate Personal Cloud

**Location**

✓ Please select

- PersonalCloud-2
- jash
- Public

where to save the files.

receive notifications when this Recipe runs



Advanced settings

## Devices

The Personal Cloud channel includes prebuilt recipes for photos on your Android and iOS mobile devices. Each new photo that you take is automatically added to your Seagate storage. In addition to choosing the prebuilt recipe on the Personal Cloud channel, connecting your Seagate storage to Android and iOS devices requires that you install the app [Seagate Personal Cloud](#). See the instructions below:

1. On your mobile device, download and install [Seagate Personal Cloud](#) from the [Google Play Store](#) or the [iOS App Store](#).
2. Launch **IF by IFTTT** and then enter your IFTTT credentials. If the opening screen prompts you to create an account, choose **Sign In** at the bottom of the window.
3. You may receive additional prompts from Android and iOS asking if you want to grant IF access to your

photos. To use the recipe, confirm that IF can access your photos.

## Prebuilt recipe example

Below is an example of creating the prebuilt recipe

1. Log in to IFTTT and go to the Seagate Personal Cloud channel (see [Sign into IFTTT](#)).
2. Choose the prebuilt recipe **Download any new Android Photos to your Seagate Personal Cloud**.
3. Click the Location pull-down menu to choose the folder for the Android photos.
4. Click **Add**.

The recipe has been successfully created. Since the recipe links to an Android device, the [IFTTT](#) app must be installed on the device.

## Check your recipe

Recipes that have been added to your account can be reviewed at any time. On the top right of the IFTTT window, click **My Recipes** and then select the recipe you want to review. Below is an image of the recipe for

The screenshot shows the IFTTT recipe creation interface. At the top, a blue banner reads "Install the IF app to use this Recipe" with a "GET IT ON Google play" button. Below this is a visual representation of the recipe: a green box with "if" and a camera icon, and a blue box with "then" and a Seagate Personal Cloud device icon. Underneath are two white boxes: "Any new photo" and "Download to Public". To the right is a vertical menu with buttons: "Turn off", "Publish", "Check now", "Log", and "Delete". Below the visual representation is the "Recipe Title" field containing "Download any new Android Photos to your Seagate Personal Cloud". Underneath the title is a note: "use '#' to add tags". At the bottom is a notification toggle: "Receive notifications when this Recipe runs" with a checked checkbox.

Since this is a recipe that links to a device, a note advises the user to install the IF app. Additional options include:

- **Turn off:** pause or turn off the recipe.

- **Publish:** create a recipe based upon the selected options. This selection is appropriate when creating a new recipe that is not preconfigured.
- **Check now:** confirm that all elements of the recipe are properly configured and will work. A message lets the user know if the recipe is ready to fire or it will not operate as expected.
- **Log:** review the date and times that the recipe has run.
- **Delete:** remove the recipe.

## Create new recipes

In addition to prebuilt recipes, you can create new recipes for your Seagate storage device. Go to the Seagate Personal Cloud channel and then scroll to the bottom half of the page. There are new options such as notifications for backups, storage space, new photos and more. For example, IFTTT can send an email to your Gmail account when a backup is successful or you are running low on storage space. Click on a trigger or action and then follow the steps to configure your recipe.

## Triggers

### New File Added

This Trigger fires every time you add a new file to your Seagate Personal Cloud.

#### Trigger fields

Location  
Subfolder

### New Photo Added

This Trigger fires every time you add a new photo to your Seagate Personal Cloud.

#### Trigger fields

Location  
Subfolder

### New Video Added

This Trigger fires every time you add a new video to your Seagate Personal Cloud.

#### Trigger fields

Location  
Subfolder

### New Song Added

This Trigger fires every time you add a new song to your Seagate Personal Cloud.

#### Trigger fields

Location  
Subfolder

### My hard drive is almost full

This Trigger fires if your hard drive on Seagate Personal Cloud reaches 90% capacity.

#### Trigger fields

Device

## Actions

### Download New File

This action will download any new file to your Seagate Personal Cloud.

#### Action fields

Location  
Subfolder  
File Url  
FileName

## Edit recipe settings

You can adjust parameters when creating new recipes or editing existing recipes. Below is an example of changes you can make to a recipe. You can apply these steps to suit your needs.

1. Click **My Recipes** on the top right and choose a recipe you want to edit.
2. The settings are listed on the bottom half of the window below .



Any new photo      Download to Public

### Recipe Title

Download any new Android Photos to your Seagate Personal Cloud

use '#' to add tags

Receive notifications when this Recipe runs

- Turn off
- Publish
- Check now
- Log
- Delete

created 42 minutes ago  
never run

Recipe based on  
[Download any new Android Photos to your Seagate Personal Cloud](#)  
by [seagate technology](#)

## Action

### Download New File

This action will download any new file to your Seagate Personal Cloud.

#### Location

Public

Device and share on the device where to save the files.

#### Subfolder

IFTTT/Android Photos

Optional. Folder path in the selected location.

#### File Url

PublicPhotoURL

#### FileName

TakenDate

Optional

Update

- Click in a field and then click the beaker icon. A pull-down menu appears for you to select an option. **Important:** The option PrivateURL is not compatible with certain apps. If you encounter problems with files downloaded as PrivateURL, try changing the option to PublicURL.



## Action

### Download New File

This action will download any new file to your Seagate Personal Cloud.

#### Location

Public

Device and share on the device where to save the files.

#### Subfolder

IFTTT/Android Photos

✓ Select an Ingredient  
PrivatePhotoURL  
PublicPhotoURL  
TakenDate

Add Ingredient

PublicPhotoURL

#### FileName

TakenDate

Optional

Update

- The new option appears as a dynamic selection. In the example below, the name of the folder called Android Photos will also include the date photos are taken.

## Action

### Download New File

This action will download any new file to your Seagate Personal Cloud.

#### Location

Public

Device and share on the device where to save the files.

#### Subfolder

IFTTT/Android Photos {{TakenDate}}



Optional. Folder path in the selected location.

#### File Url

PublicPhotoURL

#### FileName

TakenDate

Optional

Update

5. You can better organize the download path in the Subfolder field by adding folders. In the example below, a folder has been added to note that the photos come from an Android tablet.

## Action

### Download New File

This action will download any new file to your Seagate Personal Cloud.

#### Location

Public

Device and share on the device where to save the files.

#### Subfolder

IFTTT/Android Tablet/Android Photos {{TakenDate}}



Optional. Folder path in the selected location.

#### File Url

PublicPhotoURL

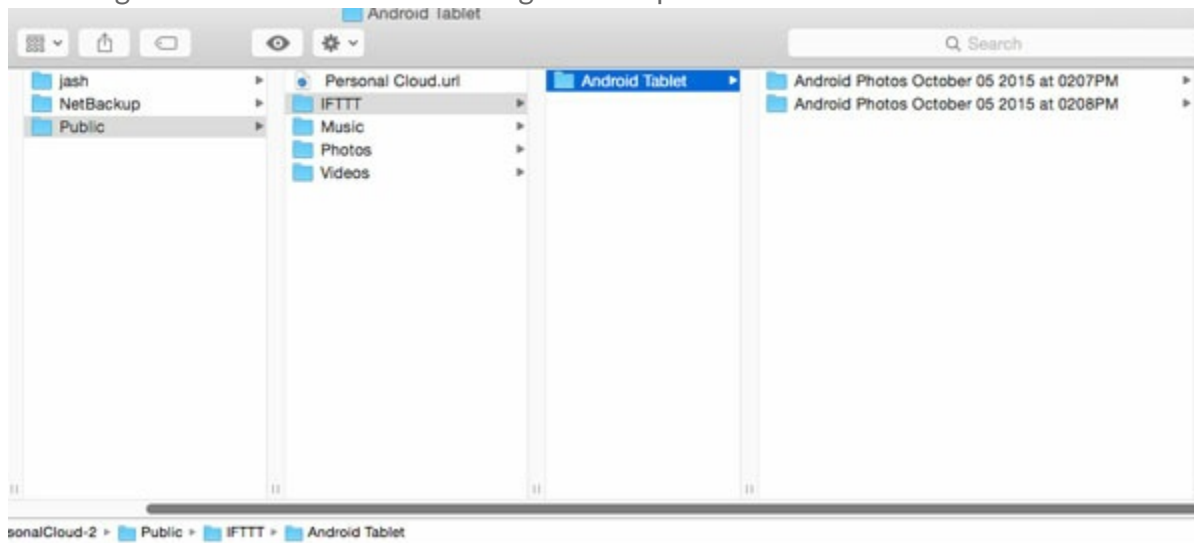
#### FileName

TakenDate

Optional

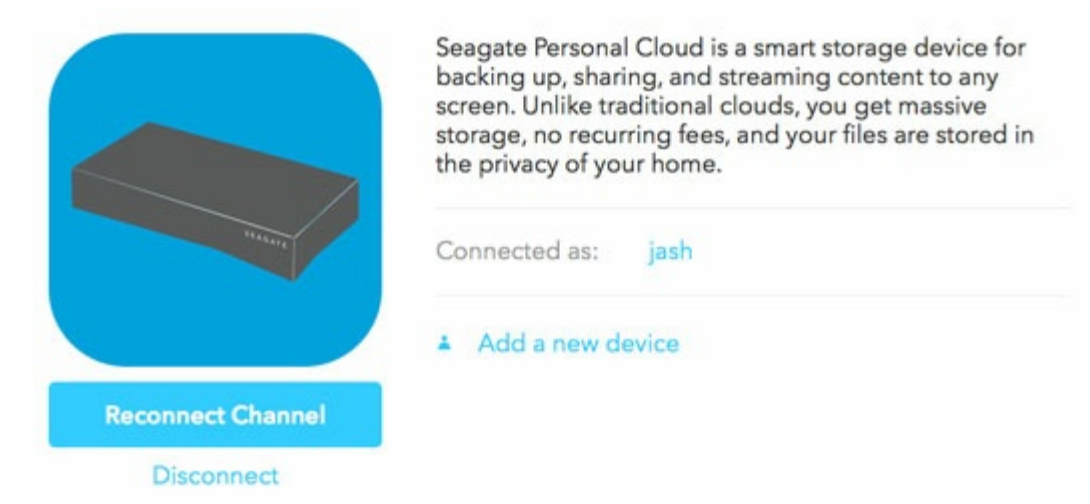
Update

The image below shows how the changes are implemented on the Personal Cloud.



# Review Settings

## IFTTT: Seagate Personal Cloud channel



Seagate Personal Cloud is a smart storage device for backing up, sharing, and streaming content to any screen. Unlike traditional clouds, you get massive storage, no recurring fees, and your files are stored in the privacy of your home.

Connected as: [jash](#)

[Add a new device](#)

[Reconnect Channel](#)

[Disconnect](#)

IFTTT has three default options for all channels:

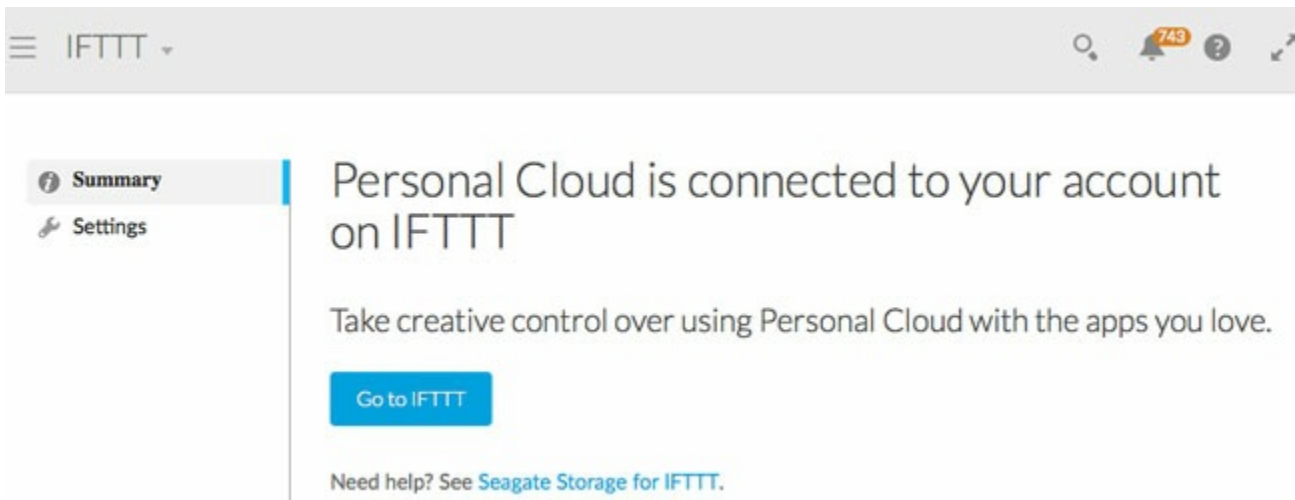
- Reconnect channel
- Disconnect
- Add a new device

It is highly recommended to avoid using the three default options in IFTTT. The actions can be performed in the IFTTT app on the Personal Cloud's (see [IFTTT app](#)).

Clicking one of the default options brings you to the page to enter the Personal Cloud code for joining IFTTT. Since you have already connected to your IFTTT account, there is no need to perform the action. See below to learn how best to return to the Seagate Personal Cloud channel if you choose one of the default options:

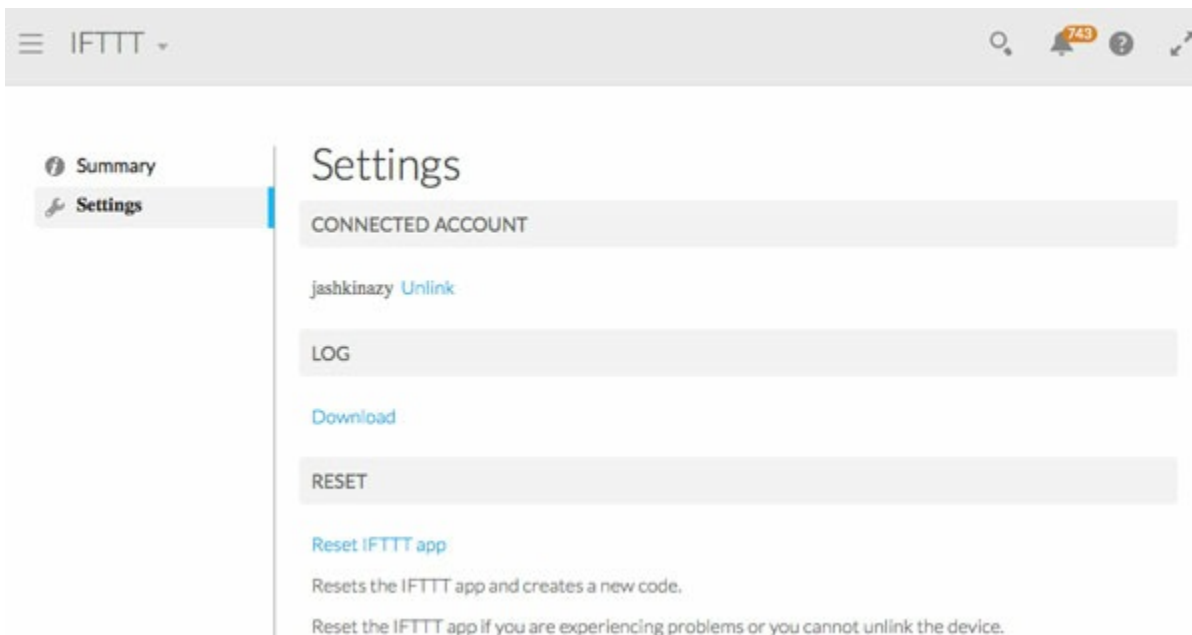
- **Reconnect channel:** click the back arrow/button on your browser.
- **Disconnect:** click cancel at the prompt.
- **Add a new device:** close the new tab that opens.

## Personal Cloud web board: IFTTT app



Following connection to your IFTTT account, the app has a button to access the Seagate Personal Cloud channel: **Go to IFTTT**.

## IFTTT app settings



Choose **Settings** in the IFTTT app to view the following options:

- **Unlink:** click **Unlink** to disconnect your Seagate storage device from your IFTTT account. Perform this action if you want to use a different device with your account.
- **Log:** download a log for the IFTTT app. A log can be helpful for troubleshooting with Seagate customer support.
- **Reset:** choose **Reset IFTTT app** if you are experiencing problems with the IFTTT app or does not work.

## Uninstall the IFTTT App

Make certain to unlink your Seagate storage device from your IFTTT account before removing the IFTTT app (see [IFTTT app](#)).

To uninstall the IFTTT App:

1. Launch the Seagate storage device's web board. For instructions, see the manual for your product:
  - [Seagate Personal Cloud](#)
  - [Seagate Personal Cloud 2-bay](#)
2. From the web board's Home page, click **App Manager**.
3. Under CATEGORIES on the left, choose **All**.
4. Pass the cursor over the IFTTT app to choose **Edit > Uninstall**.

# Connect Additional Devices to IFTTT

You can associate multiple Personal Cloud storage devices to the Seagate Personal Cloud channel on IFTTT. An additional Personal Cloud gives you more storage to back up files from your recipes. However, the steps for connecting another device are not the same as connecting the first Personal Cloud. Therefore, make certain to follow the instructions below when adding new Personal Clouds to your account.

**i Important info:** Adding new devices using the instructions in Getting Started will remove your first Personal Cloud from your IFTTT account. When connecting additional devices, use the instructions below.

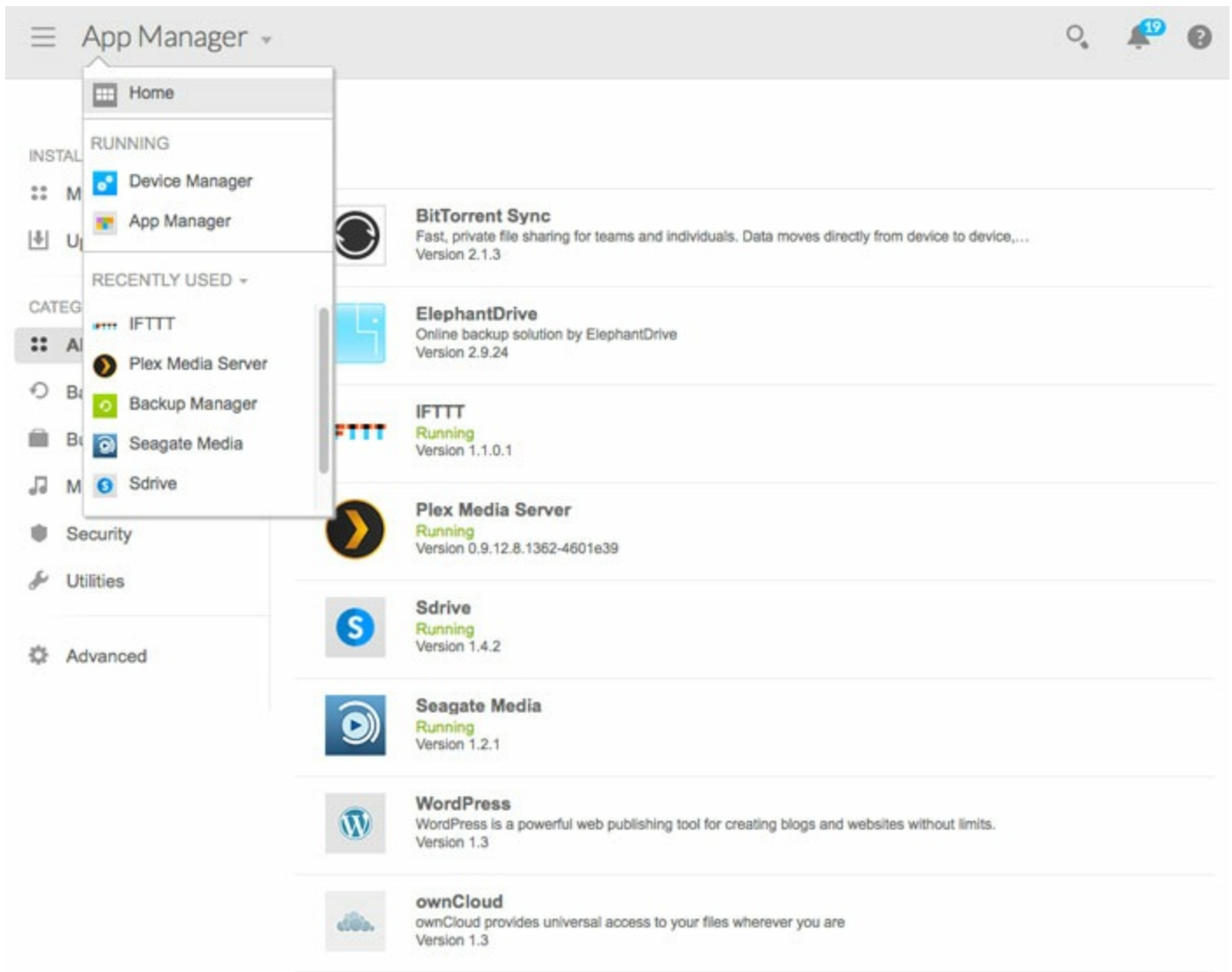
## Add a new Personal Cloud

### Step 1: Install IFTTT on the new Personal Cloud

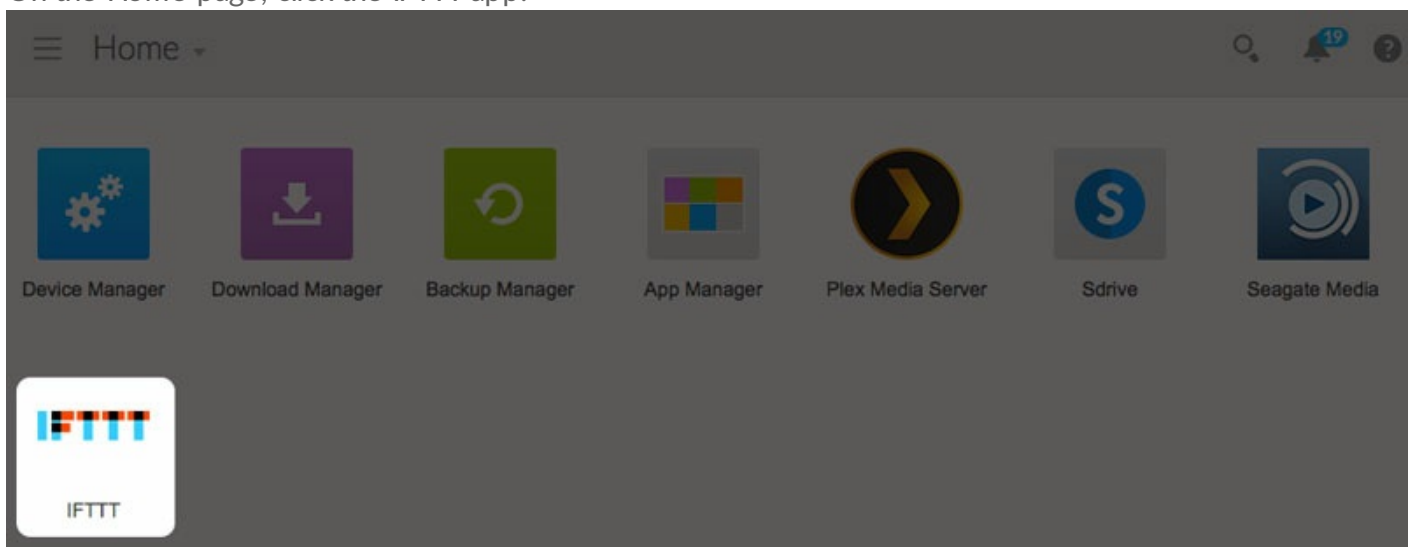
1. Launch the web board on the new Personal Cloud that you want to add to your IFTTT account. For instructions, see the manual for your product:
  - [Seagate Personal Cloud](#)
  - [Seagate Personal Cloud 2-bay](#)
2. From the web board's Home page, click **App Manager**.
3. Under CATEGORIES on the left, choose **All**.
4. Pass the cursor over the IFTTT app to choose **Install**.

### Step 2: Get the new Personal Cloud code

1. Click the App pull-down menu on the upper left and then choose **Home**.



2. On the Home page, click the IFTTT app.



3. For security reasons, the IFTTT app provides a unique code to connect the Seagate storage device to your IFTTT account. Select the code and copy it (Windows: Ctrl+C; Mac: cmd+C).



## Connect your Personal Cloud to IFTTT

Personal Cloud code

Go to the [Seagate Personal Cloud channel on IFTTT](#) (opens in a new tab) and type or paste the code to connect your device.

Need help? See [Seagate Storage for IFTTT](#).

### Step 3: Add the code to IFTTT

1. Open a new tab in the same browser as Step 2 and go to [ifttt.com](http://ifttt.com).
2. Sign in to your IFTTT account.
3. Click **Channels** on the upper menu and search for **Seagate Personal Cloud**.
4. Click the **Seagate Personal Cloud** channel.
5. Click **Add a new device**.



Reconnect Channel

Disconnect

**Seagate Personal Cloud** is a smart storage device for backing up, sharing, and streaming content to any screen. Unlike traditional clouds, you get massive storage, no recurring fees, and your files are stored in the privacy of your home.

Connected as: [jashkinazy](#)

👤 Add a new device

6. You are prompted to paste the code from the new Personal Cloud (Windows: Ctrl+V; Mac: cmd+V). If it does not paste correctly, go back to the Personal Cloud tab and copy the code again.

# Enter your Personal Cloud code

Type or paste the code provided by your Personal Cloud and then click Submit.

7. Click **Submit**.

You can close the tab once the device has been added to your IFTTT account.

## Using multiple devices in IFTTT

Additional Personal Clouds that have been successfully connected to your IFTTT account appear in the pull-down menu within each recipe. You can choose one location to download files.

# Download your favorite songs to Seagate Personal Cloud

**Notes:** Automatically download your new favorite songs directly to Seagate Personal Cloud. \*Note\* this works only on tracks that are publicly available for download.

## Location

✓ Please select  
PersonalCloud-2  
jash  
Public  
PersonalCloud  
jash  
Public

where to save the files.

is when this Recipe runs

**Add**

# Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: There are apps for IFTTT for my iOS/Android device. Do I use them instead of the IFTTT app for my Seagate storage device?**

A. The IFTTT app for Personal Cloud is required to link the device to your IFTTT. You can use the mobile apps to work with your IFTTT account. See [Devices](#).

**Q: I set up a recipe to add new photos taken on my iOS/Android device to my Seagate storage device. Whenever I take a picture, the photo never appears on my device. How do I fix the recipe?**

A. Make certain that you installed the IF by IFTTT app on your mobile device and that permissions are set to allow IFTTT to access your photo library. See [Devices](#).

**Q: I clicked the Reconnect button/Disconnect link/Add a new device link on the Seagate Personal Cloud channel page but don't know what to do. How do I get back to the Seagate Personal Cloud channel?**

A. See below to learn how best to return to the Seagate Personal Cloud channel if you choose one of the default options:

- Reconnect channel: click the back arrow/button on your browser.
- Disconnect: click cancel when at the prompt.
- Add a new device: close the new tab that opens.

**Q: I replaced my Seagate storage device. Can I connect to my IFTTT account with the new device?**

A. Yes. Connecting with a new device should override the previous connection.

**Q: Why do my photos appear as Private or No content found?**

A. Try changing the ingredient to **PublicURL**. With certain apps, making it a public URL helps the file appear correctly on your Seagate storage device.

**Q: Why can't users on my Seagate storage device access the IFTTT app?**

A. Log into the your Personal Cloud as the owner and go to **App Manager > My Apps > IFTTT > Action > Details > Privilege**. Drag and drop the group to . All users should have access to the IFTTT app.

**Q: The FileURL setting for recipes that download attachments and photos to my Personal Cloud are configured as PublicURL. Why can't I use PrivateURL?**

A. When using prebuilt recipes that download files to your Personal Cloud (Gmail attachments, Android photos, iOS photos), the files must also be copied to the IFTTT server. While the URLs are public, IFTTT uses a unique link for each file affiliated with your account. One advantage to copying the file to your account is easy online access. However, if you want to remove the files from your account on the IFTTT server, log into IFTTT and click the menu with your account name on the upper right. Choose **Files** to view or delete the files from the server. Files deleted in IFTTT do not affect the files on your Personal Cloud.

**Q:** Whenever I create a new recipe to download files to my Personal Cloud, the files appear as links rather than actual files (photos, documents, graphics). How do I configure the settings to download the files I want?

**A.** Make certain that the FileURL setting is configured as PublicURL rather than PrivateURL. For a full description, see the answer to the question above.