Disposable Numbers / One-Time Use Numbers

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Disposable Numbers (One-Time Use Numbers)

Disposable numbers are made for **one-time SMS verification**—so you can sign up or verify an account without giving out your personal phone number. They're **real SIM-based, non-VoIP numbers**, which helps with platforms that reject VoIP.

When to use a disposable number

Use a one-time number if you:

- Only need **one SMS code** to finish signup
- Want maximum privacy (use it once, then it's gone)
- Don't expect the platform to ask for more codes later

If you think you'll need **future re-verification** (logins, security checks, device changes), a **long-term rental** is usually the safer option.

How to use a one-time number (step-by-step)

1. **Sign in** to your MobileSMS.io dashboard
2. **Top up credits** (minimum deposit applies)
3. Choose **One-Time**, then pick:
   - **Country**
   - **Platform/service** (or choose **"Other"** if it isn't listed)
4. Click **Get Number** (we automatically assign one based on your selection)
5. Enter the number on the site/app you're verifying, then watch the code arrive in your dashboard in real time

Pricing & billing (no surprises)

- **Starts at: $3.50 per SMS received**
- **Price depends on:** country + platform (example: USA Facebook $4.50, USA Google $4.25)
- **No hidden fees:** credits are **only deducted when an SMS is successfully received**

Platform coverage

Disposable numbers work with **1,200+ services** (social, email, messaging, marketplaces, finance, and more).

Important limits to know

- One-time numbers are **single-use** (you can't "keep" or reuse them later).
- MobileSMS.io is built for **receiving SMS verification codes** (not a full phone plan).
- Some services require **two-way SMS**. MobileSMS.io is **one-way (receive-only)**, so those platforms won't work.

Troubleshooting: not receiving the SMS

If a code doesn't show up:

- Make sure your **IP/location roughly matches the country** of the number
- If the platform blocked the number, **try another number**
- For stricter platforms, consider "cleaner" setup (separate browser profile / stable environment)