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# SP2+ SPX+ Email Setup Quick Start Guide ClickSend Gmail & office365





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### Quick Guide on setting up an email Notification on the SP+ to forward to Click Send SMS Gateway

To create email notifications on the SPX+, please follow these 4 main steps:

### 1) Go to the ClickSend site, register, and top-up the account.

https://help.clicksend.com/article/3pp05c4fcs-how-to-get-started-with-clicksend

2) Go to Settings => SMTP. Enable and configure the SMTP settings on the device.

**3)** Go to Notification => Action and create email actions. Ensure the "Email From" matches the settings from step 1, and enter the desired ClickSend email addresses (e.g., [+][country code][mobile-phone-number]@sms.clicksend.com, such as +2212345@clicksend.com, separating multiple addresses with commas)

Use the "Test Action" button to test the email sending and check the device event logs and the destination phone for the SMS.

**4)** Go to Notification => Notification Rules and follow the wizard to link the sensor status of interest with the email action created in step 2.

After completing these steps, trigger a status change on the SPX+. This will send an email to the ClickSend server, which will then be converted into an SMS.

Please see the screenshots below for steps 2 and 3.







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First the SMTP Setup. Main Menu >> Settings >> SMTP:

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System		
🔅 General	SMTP	
🛗 Date/Time	System / SMTP	
👫 Network	Send Email	Enable     Isable
奈 Modem	Email From	from@address.com
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Password Checking	Password	Password
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Get SNMP OID		

The SMTP server configuration options are shown here, it's required to be set up for the Email actions.

Fill out all parameters; the address in the Email From parameter will be used by the Email actions by default, but you could change it if your mail server supports it (when it's not required to match the SMTP user for example).

Connection Security	None •
	None SSL/TLS STARTTLS

SSL/TLS and STARTTLS are supported for the connection security.

You could also turn off any email sending from the unit by disabling the Send Email option.



### Settings for Gmail & NEW Update (see below)

**Important Note:** Another customer reported recently that it appears that Google updated their Gmail account with their two-step authentication without them knowing and was the cause for a failed test to send an email. After they checked this, their notifications were back online and working.

You can use a Gmail account to send Email alerts with the settings shown on this screenshot below.

Send Email	enable Observe	
Email From	@gmail.com	
SMTP Server	smtp.gmail.com	
SMTP Port	587	
SMTP Authentication	e Enable   Disable	
Login Name	@gmail.com	
Password		
Confirm Password		
Connection Security	STARTTLS	

**Important:** before this will work, you'll need to set up an additional setting in your Google account.

Setting	js				
General	Labels	Inbox	Accounts and Import	Filters and Blocked Addresses	Fo
Change account settings:			Change password Change password recovery option Other Google Account settings	s	

Open Gmail in a web browser and go to Settings / Accounts and Import / Other Google Account settings.



Google Account Q S	earch Google Account	ve any that you no lon
Home     Personal info	This device Find a lost or stolen phone	Google Chrome Has full access to your Google Account
Data & personalization	Manage devices	Manage access
Security		
People & sharing	Less secure app access	
Payments & subscriptions	Your account is vulnerable because you allow apps and devices that use less secure sign-in technology to access your account	
Help		
! Send feedback	() On	
	Turn off access (recommended)	

Then from the Account settings open Security tab / Enable Less Secure Apps

### **NEW UPDATE regarding Gmail**

Google has terminated the Gmail account support to less secure apps beginning on May 30th 2022. https://support.google.com/accounts/answer/6010255?hl=en#zippy=

Our SP+ devices Email sending using the straight Gmail passwords with the "Allow less secure apps" will be & are affected directly by this change. <u>Email sending with that method will fail</u> on, or after this date.

However, Google offers a login method called "App passwords". https://support.google.com/accounts/answer/185833#zippy=

The feature creates a unique, 16 characters long password to access your Google account on a desired feature.

It can be easily created in the Google Account setting => Security => Signing in to Google => App passwords.

App passwords let you sign in to your Google Account from apps on devices that don't support the 2-Step Verification. You'll only need to enter it once so you don't need to remember it.

Sign in with App Passwords https://support.google.com/accounts/answer/185833

Turn on 2-Step Verification https://support.google.com/accounts/answer/185839

Here are the screen shots and short instructions on how to create the App password.



1) Go to your Google Account. https://myaccount.google.com/

- 2) Select Security.
- 3) Under "Signing in to Google," select App Passwords. You may need to sign in.

If you don't have this option, it might be because:

- 2-Step Verification is not set up for your account.
- 2-Step Verification is only set up for security keys.
- Your account is through work, school, or other organization.

You turned on Advanced Protection.

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Contacts	-		
YouTube			
Other (Custom name	)		



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You don't have a	ny app passwords.	
Select the app a	nd device you want to generate the app password fo	or.
Mail	Select device	
	iPhone	CENEDATE
	iPad	GENERATE
	BlackBerry	
	Mac	
	Windows Phone	
	Windows Computer	
	Other (Custom name)	



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Select the app and device you	want to generate the app password for.	
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4. Choose Select app and choose the app you are using and then Select device and choose the device you're using and then Generate.



Email   securesally@gmail.com   Password   ••••••••	Generated app password	Your app password for your device
	Email securesally@gmail.com Password	<text></text>

5) The App password is the 16-character code in the yellow bar on your device.

Replace your Gmail password on AKCP devices with this password, the other SMTP configurations can be left unchanged.

SEC (securityProbe): Edit the Email notification actions in Notification => Action page, edit system SMTP settings in Setings => System Maintenance page.

SP+ (SP2+ &SPX+): Edit the SMTP settings in Settings => SMTP page.

**Important Note:** Please keep in mind that in our testing we found that the same, or similar app password can be reused for multiple AKCP base units. However, this depends on Google and whether this will be accepted. We cannot guarantee that the same app passwords will not be rejected by Google in the future when they detect multiple devices using the same app passwords.

Moreover, to avoid possible issues we would highly suggest you create different app passwords for each AKCP device where you need to log into, or for every SP+ or securityProbe's if you have multiple AKCP base units.



### **Setup the Email Action**

Now you need to setup the Email action and tie this to a sensor.

You can use the Email Action to send a notification by email when a sensor reaches a certain threshold.

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*Note:* The SMTP server settings needed to be configured on the unit, before this action works which we already went through above.

All email actions will use this SMTP server for sending emails.



Action Wizard		
Notifications / Actions / Create an	Action	
0	2	3
Email Information	Email Message	Retry
Step 2 - Email Messa	age	
Subject	Testing Sensor Port 1 is now 80 Unit, status is n	
Body	From: System Name (127.0.0.1) Time: 11:12:10 Testing Sensor Port 1 is now 80 Unit, status is now Normal	
	Customize	
	Back Next Cancel	

After clicking **"Next**" you will get a page where you can input the e-mail name and message. Press the **"Customize**" button and the fields will re-write in a format that will allow for an automated e-mail that will display the sensor information.

Step 2 - Email Messa	age		
Subject	<pre>\$[DESCRIPTION] is now \$[VALUE] \$[UNIT], sta</pre>		
Body	From: \$[SYSNAME] (\$[IP]) Time: \$[TIME] \$[DESCRIPTION] is now \$[VALUE] \$[UNIT], status is now \$[STATUS]		
	Preview Restore Default Macro Description		

For all possible macro values (dynamic text values starting with \$) you can see a detailed list in the notificiations manual



Action Wizard		
Notifications / Actions / Create an	Action	
0-	2	3
Email Information	Email Message	Retry
Step 3 - Retry		
Maximum Times to Retry	5	T
Retry Interval	15	15s
	BackFinishCancelFinish and Setup Notification	

These parameters set the maximum number of times to send the email notification and the time interval between each notification.

If you click on the **Finish and Setup Notification** button, this will launch the **Link Notification Wizard** where you can use the new action for making a notification where you will link your connected sensors to the email notifications.

# How to use a Gmail account to send email via SPX+ while displaying a different sender / Send "email as" feature

An end customer recently asked us if it was possible change the gmail sending email address as follows;

We are testing email notification by using gmail. It looks working, but we want to show another sender address at the receiver side. From the picture below, the OriginalEmail@gmail.com is the real address for sending an email, but at the receiver we want to show another address, example as "noreply@ABC.com". Is it possible? How can we do it?

While technically achievable in certain ways, directly changing the "From" address to a domain you don't own (like "ABC.com" if it's not yours) when sending through Gmail is generally not possible due to security policies implemented by mainstream email providers like Gmail. These policies are crucial to prevent email spoofing, phishing, and maintain overall email deliverability and trust.

If "ABC.com" is your organization's domain, Then the Gmail's "Send mail as" feature (Use Gmail to send from your other email addresses) is our recommended option.

This method allows an SPX+ to send emails using different "Emails from" via a single Gmail account.

Please follow the guide below and check out an example setup from our engineering SPX+. https://support.google.com/mail/answer/22370?hl=en



Note: Uncheck the "Treat as an alias" in the Gmail's "Add another email address" process.

SPX+ SMTP Settings:

akcp.account@gmail.com with smtp.gmail.com, 587, STARTTLS, use the Gmail 'App Password'

#### SPX+ Email Actions:

akcp.account@gmail.com to A Email from: akcp.account@gmail.com Email to: mail1@A.com, mail2@A.com, ...

akcp.account@akcp.com to B Email from: akcp.account@akcp.com Email to: mail1@B.com, mail2@B.com, ...



### Actions

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Email	@gmail.com to A	00	DUPLICATE	TEST ACTION



### Settings for office365

**Important Note:** Sending office365 email alerts are only supported on the SP+ F7 & H7 units running the latest firmware on our website and are not supported on the older F4 type SP+ units.

First you need to ensure that the SMTP settings and the email action configuration are correct as follows (our account is used as an example):

SMTP	
System / SMTP	
Send Email	
Email From	
o365@akcp2.onmicrosoft.com	
SMTP Server	
smtp.office365.com	
SMTP Port	
587	
Connection Security	
STARTTLS	
SMTP Authentication	
_	
Looin Name	
o365@akcp2.onmicrosoft.com	
Password	
Confirm Password	



#### **Email Action**

Email Configuration	🛛 Email Message	Retry Actio
Name the action and fill in the email of	of the sender and receivers	
Network Interface		
Default		Ψ.
Action Name		
Email Action 1		
Email From		
o365@akcp2.onmicrosoft.com		
Email To		

<u>Very important</u>: the "Mail from" parameter must match the same as the SMTP login parameter in the settings.

The mail servers are strict about the "mail from" parameter for antispam methods, and it cannot be different than the email login setting.

Please also check our SP+ Knowledge Base using this link:

https://www.akcp.com/knowledge-base/sensorprobe-plus-series-knowledge-base/

### **Email Troubleshooting**

- A. Check with your local system administrator to ensure all the settings you have entered into the email alert settings on the unit are correct and you can ping your SMTP server.
- B. Ensure your unit(s) is running the latest version of firmware that is on our website support portal.
- C. Check the SP+ units Notification manuals for more details on the settings etc.
- D. The maximum email addresses that can be added to the email action is 10.
- E. Check your network & the DNS settings in the SP+ units web UI. This might be incorrect, then the unit cannot resolve the name of the server.
- F. Try using the IP address of the SMTP server after making sure you can ping it from the same network the unit is configured on.



- G. Check the system logs to ensure the alerts are being sent from the unit and if so, check your spam filter where the emails are being sent to.
- H. Also, MS changed the Hotmail/Outlook mail's SMTP settings, the smtp.live.com server is not supported anymore. It should be changed to: smtp-mail.outlook.com

**Below are additional troubleshooting steps and settings modifications that we would suggest:** 1) Verify the device's Ethernet network settings on the Network page.

2) If the AKCPro Server Cloud Server on the Server Integration page is not being used, disable it and reboot the unit once.

- 3) Configure valid NTP settings on the Date / Time setting page for accurate date and time.
- 4) Verify the device's SMTP settings on the SMTP page.
  - Try to re-enter the Email and passwords.
  - Try to test with different SMTP options and accounts.
  - Try to test with a PC within the same network using the same SMTP settings and account.
- 5) Verify the device connection to the SMTP server (if Ping service is enabled). Create a Virtual Sensor Ping and point to the SMTP server, for example; smtp.office365.com

6) Retest Email Action using the "Test Action" button on the Notifications/Actions page. Then, check the mail server's SMTP logs.

If the issue is unresolved, please send us complete information with a new support file from the unit.

Please contact <u>support@akcp.com</u> if you have any further technical questions or problems.

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