

# NET NEUTRALITY



Net neutrality is allowing all different companies such as edge providers be able to have the same speeds on their services without one or few companies creating sort of a monopoly on the internet of dominating companies.

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## 1934

The Communications Act of 1934 is passed, creating two classifications for telecommunications providers.

## 1980

The Internet Opens for Public Use

## 2005

The FCC forces Madison River, a NC based Internet Service Provider (ISP), to stop blocking voice over Internet calls

## 2007-2010

The FCC and Comcast battle over Comcast's right to throttle and block BitTorrent on their network. Eventually, the court of appeals rules that the FCC has no legal standing

## OCT 10, 2010

FCC Approves the Open Internet Order, preventing Internet providers from blocking or throttling Internet access.

## JAN, 2014

The DC Circuit Court rules that under the Communications Act of 1934 the FCC has no right to regulate ISPs categorized as "Title I: Information Carriers."

## MAY, 2014

FCC announces they are considering re-classifying ISPs under the Communications Act of 1934, as "Title II: Common Carriers"; this would allow the FCC to regulate broadband carriers.

## 2015

FCC approves Net Neutrality order, changing ISPs classifications under the Communications Act of 934 and subjecting them to government regulation.

## JUNE, 2016

The court of appeals upholds Net Neutrality against the big telecommunication conglomerates.

## OCT, 2016

The FCC adopts the Internet Consumer Privacy Order, ensuring subscribers have control over how their ISP handles their information.

## DEC, 2017

The Senate overturns the Internet Consumer Privacy Order.

## MAY, 2017

FCC, under chairman Ajit Pai, repeals Net Neutrality

## MARCH, 2018

In an effort to restore Net Neutrality, Senator Angus King introduces the Save the Internet Bill.

## JUNE 11, 2018

Federal Communications Commission Restoring Internet Freedom Order and transparency rule amendments became effective June 11, 2018, overturning earlier requirements on net neutrality requirements on internet service providers, state legislators responded by introducing net neutrality legislation at the state level.