Using Polycom® VVX® Phones in a Microsoft® Lync™ Environment

Quick User Guide

This guide provides information on how your phone functions when registered with Microsoft Lync Server. You can find other VVX phone features in your phone’s User Guide on the Business Media Phones page on the Polycom Voice Support site.

Web Info: Using Lync Features on Polycom Phones
For more information on Lync features available on the VVX phones, refer to Feature Profile 84538.

Phone Features
Microsoft Lync enables you to use all the Polycom UC software features and presence statuses when you sign in to your Lync-enabled phone with your login credentials or PIN authentication.

After you sign into Lync on your phone, you can:
- Answer, place, and end calls
- Hold and resume calls
- Transfer calls
- Forward incoming calls
- Set your presence status
- Manage your Lync contacts
- Park and retrieve active calls
- Assign delegates to your line
- Connect your phone to your computer

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Tip: The More Soft Key
Depending on your phone’s configuration, additional soft keys can be located beneath the More soft key.

Note: Lync-hosted Conference Calls Are Not Supported
You cannot initiate, split, or end a Lync-hosted conference call on your Polycom phone.

Sign into Microsoft Lync
Signing in to Lync on your phone enables you to view and place calls to your Lync contacts. The Lync Sign-In screen displays the first time your phone connects to the network. Subsequently, you can access the Sign-In and Sign-Out screens in the following ways:

To sign into Lync:
1. Press the SignIn or SignOut soft key or select Settings > Features > Microsoft Lync > SignIn or SignOut. The sign-in screen displays.
2. Complete the required sign-in fields with your login credentials or PIN authentication. Your system administrator provides you with your login credentials or PIN authentication.
3. Press the SignOut soft key. Your line shows as registered.

You can now add Lync contacts and see their presence status on your phone (see Update Your Microsoft Lync Contacts).

Troubleshooting: I Can’t Sign-In Using My Login Credentials
If you cannot access your Lync contacts, or you lose your account, see your system administrator.

Tip: Using Strong Passwords
Follow your organization’s password policy when entering a password for your sign-in credentials.

To sign out of Lync:
- Press the SignOut soft key.

After you sign out, your line shows as unregistered, your presence status is offline, your call lists are deleted, and you are unable to contact any of your Lync contacts using your phone.

Update Your Microsoft Lync Contacts
You can add, delete, monitor, and call contacts from your Lync contact list. When you delete a Lync contact from your phone, you remove the contact from your Lync account as well. The following figure shows a home screen displaying Lync contacts with presence information.

Home Screen on VVX phones

Tip: Lync Contacts on the Home Screen
If you want Lync contacts to display on your phone’s Home screen, pin them as Frequent Contacts or Favorites in your Lync client on your computer. You can access all your Lync contacts from your phone by pressing the Contacts soft key.

You can add multiple Lync contacts up to the maximum number of contacts for your phone. The following table shows the maximum number of contacts permitted.

Maximum Number of Contacts Permitted
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<td>VVX phones</td>
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<td>All other phones</td>
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You can also view your Lync groups on your phone. You cannot create new groups, delete existing groups, or move contacts between groups on your phone. You can only edit groups in your Lync client on your computer.
The following figure displays Lync groups on your VVX phone.

### Lync Groups on VVX phones

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### Add Contacts to Lync Contact List

You can manually add contacts to your phone’s Lync contact list.

**To add a Lync contact on your phone:**

1. Select the **Contacts** soft key or select **Settings > Features > Presence > Contacts** and select **Add**.
2. Enter the contact’s email address and press the **Submit** or **Select** soft key. The following figure shows a Lync contact list.

### Updating Your Microsoft Lync Presence Status

Your presence status information displays your availability, activity, and location to other Microsoft Lync contacts. The table **Presence Icons on VVX Phones** shows the Microsoft Lync presence icons that display on Polycom VVX 400, 500, 600, and 1500 phones. The table **Presence Icons on VVX 300 Phones** shows presence icons that display on VVX 300 phones.

#### Presence Icons on VVX Phones

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### Place Calls

You can place a call by using the headset, the speakerphone, a line key, or your Microsoft Lync contact list.

**To place a call:**

1. Pick up your handset or press the headset or speakerphone **keys**.
2. Select a contact to call.

The following figure shows the screen of a call placed to a Lync contact on VVX phones.

#### Placing a Call on VVX 500

![Placing a Call on VVX 500](image)

**Tip:** Calling Federated Contacts

You can use the SIP URI option to place calls to other companies or remote contacts. For more information, see the appropriate user guide for your phone on the Polycom Voice Support site.

**Note:** Video Calls on VVX Phones

You can make video calls between VVX 500, 600, and 1500 phones with VVX cameras, make calls between VVX camera-enabled phones and supported Polycom video endpoints or Microsoft Lync clients, and use VVX camera-enabled phones with a Polycom video bridge.

If your system administrator has given you a private number, you can give this number to others to contact you directly.

### Answer Calls

When you answer an incoming call, the call becomes active. All incoming calls display on your phone’s screen, as shown next.

#### Incoming Call on VVX 400

![Incoming Call on VVX 400](image)

**To answer an incoming call:**

- Lift the handset, press **1**, or press **2**.

When you receive another call during an active call, a beeping tone indicates a call is waiting.

**To answer an incoming call while in an active call:**

- Press the appropriate soft key to **Answer**, **Reject**, or **Ignore** the call.

#### Forward Calls

You can forward your phone’s incoming calls to another Lync contact or to your voicemail.

**To forward calls to a contact:**

1. Select **Forward**.
2. Select **Forward to a Contact**.
3. Enter the user name or number of your Lync contact. A scrolling message showing that you have forwarded all incoming calls to your contact displays on your phone.

**To forward calls to voicemail:**

1. Select **Forward**.
2. Select **Forward to Voicemail**.
To assign delegates:
1. In your Lync client, click ☰ and select Tools > Options > Call Forwarding.
2. Select Simultaneous ring > My Delegates and add contacts as delegates for your line. Simultaneous ringing is automatically enabled for all assigned delegates.

Parked Call Orbit on VVX 500

To retrieve a parked call:
- Press Retrieve, or press New Call and dial the call’s orbit number.

Assign Delegates with the Shared Line Appearance Feature

The Lync Shared Line Appearance (SLA), or Boss-Admin, feature enables you to assign delegates, set distinct ringtones, and interact with assigned lines. Delegates can place, answer, hold, or transfer calls on behalf of the boss’s line.

The following figure shows a notification for an incoming call for the boss’s line on a delegate’s phone.

To resume a call on hold on a boss’s line:
1. Press the boss’s line key.
2. Select Pickup.

Call on Behalf of a Boss

You can make phone calls on behalf of your assigned boss’s line.

Transfer Calls

The SLA feature enables you to transfer calls in two ways:
- Blind transfer: Transfers the call without speaking with the boss or delegate’s line.
- Consultative Transfer: Transfers the call after speaking with the boss or delegate’s line.

To perform a consultative transfer:
1. Press the Transfer soft key.
2. Dial the number or choose a contact.

To perform a blind transfer:
1. Press Transfer > More > Blind.
2. Dial the number or choose a contact, as shown next.

Access the Lync Directory

You can connect your phone to the Lync directory when you register and sign in with Lync Server on your Polycom phone. You can call contacts directly from the Lync Directory and save Lync contacts from the Lync Directory to the Corporate Directory.
To search the Lync Directory:
2. Enter your search criteria and press Submit. Your search results display, as shown next.

Web Info: Better Together over Ethernet Feature Profile
You can find more information on BToE and the Polycom BToE Connector in Feature Profile 87907: Using Polycom VVX Phones with Better Together over Ethernet.

To enable BToE on your computer:
1. Install and start the Polycom BToE Connector on your computer.
2. Connect an Ethernet cable from your PC to the PC port on your phone.
3. Sign into your Lync client on your computer.

To enable BTOE on your phone:
- Select Settings > Features > BTOE > BTOE (Disabled) and select Enabled, as shown next.

To pair your phone with your computer:
1. Select Settings > Features > BTOE Pairing Status > Pair.
   A message "Successfully Paired" displays.
2. Enter your login credentials on your computer.
   On your phone, the messages "Successfully Paired" and "Better Together Activated" display.

To call a contact from the Lync Directory:
1. Search for your contact.
2. Select your contact.
3. Select More > Add to Contacts.

To save a contact from the Lync Directory:
1. Search for your contact.
2. Select your contact and press the Dial soft key.

Connect with Better Together over Ethernet
Better Together over Ethernet (BToE) enables you to place, hold, and answer calls on your Polycom phone and Lync client on your computer. To use BToE, connect your phone to your computer using your Lync client, an Ethernet cable, and the Polycom BToE Connector, which you can download on the Latest Polycom UC Software Release support page.

Note: Reconnecting BTOE
When you disconnect your computer from your Polycom phone, your computer is no longer paired with your phone. For example, if you shut down your computer or unplug the Ethernet cable, you need to repeat the process of pairing your Polycom phone to your computer.

Use Better Together over Ethernet
You can place, answer, and hold calls on your Polycom phone and your Lync client on your computer.

To place a call from your Lync client:
1. In your Lync client, choose a contact.
2. Select Call. The call displays on your Polycom phone and the Lync client.

To hold a call:
- Select Hold on your Lync client or the phone. The call is on hold on your computer and your Polycom phone.

To resume a call:
- Press Resume on your phone or click Resume Call in your Lync client.

Note: Video Calls on Paired Devices Not Compatible with Microsoft Lync 2013
BTOE-enabled Polycom phones running UC software 5.0.0 cannot receive incoming video calls sent from contacts using Microsoft Lync 2013. However, you can receive video calls from contacts using Lync 2010. If you receive an incoming video call from a contact using Lync 2013, the call drops.

View the Lync Contact Card
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Note: Changing privacy relationship to view detailed contact information
In order for you to view a contact's detailed information, the contact must change your privacy relationship to Friends and Family in his or her Lync client. If a contact has not changed your privacy relationship, you can only view the work number, email address, and voicemail for that contact.

To view the contact card:
1. Select the Contact soft key.
2. Select a contact and select Info.
   The contact card displays with your contact's presence status and contact information, as shown next.

Tip: Quickly viewing the contact card
You can quickly view the contact card for a Lync contact by pressing and holding a contact's line key. The contact card displays with your contact's presence and contact information.

From the contact card, you can place a call to one of the available numbers for your contact. You can also place a call directly to a contact’s voicemail.