# Pod Connect: Meeting

Guides on how to get the most from Pod Connect Meeting. If you do not have the Meeting options, please contact your Service Provider to have this enabled.

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# How Do I Start A Meeting From Pod Connect For Desktop?

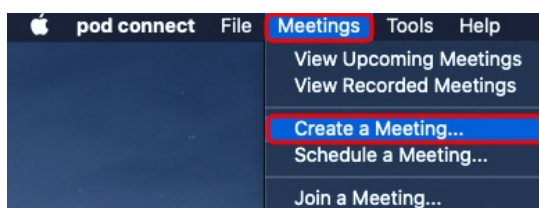**INFO:** If you do not have the Meeting options, please contact your Service Provider to have this enabled.

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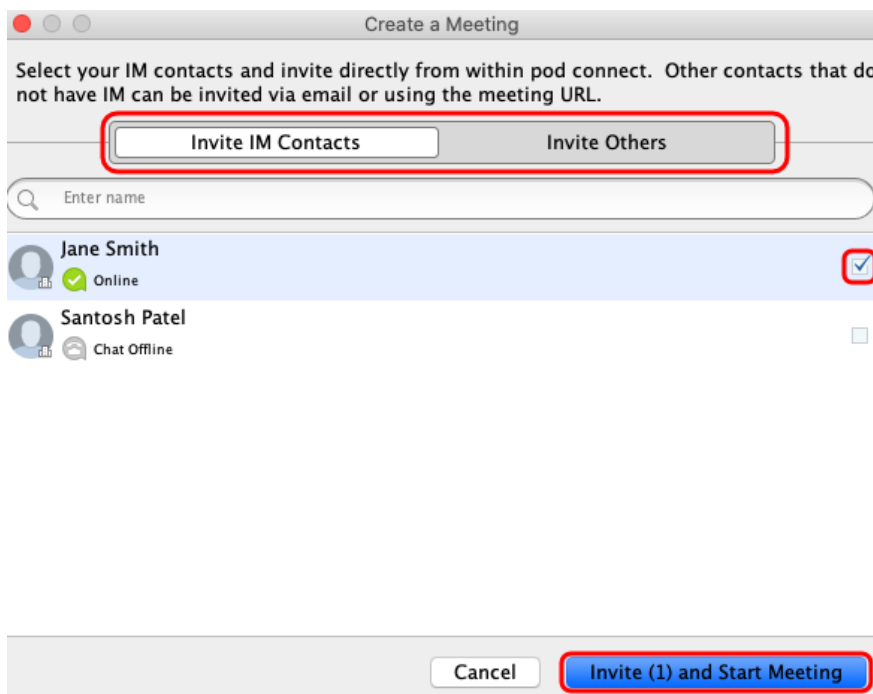
These instructions are the same for both Windows and Mac versions. of Pod Connect.

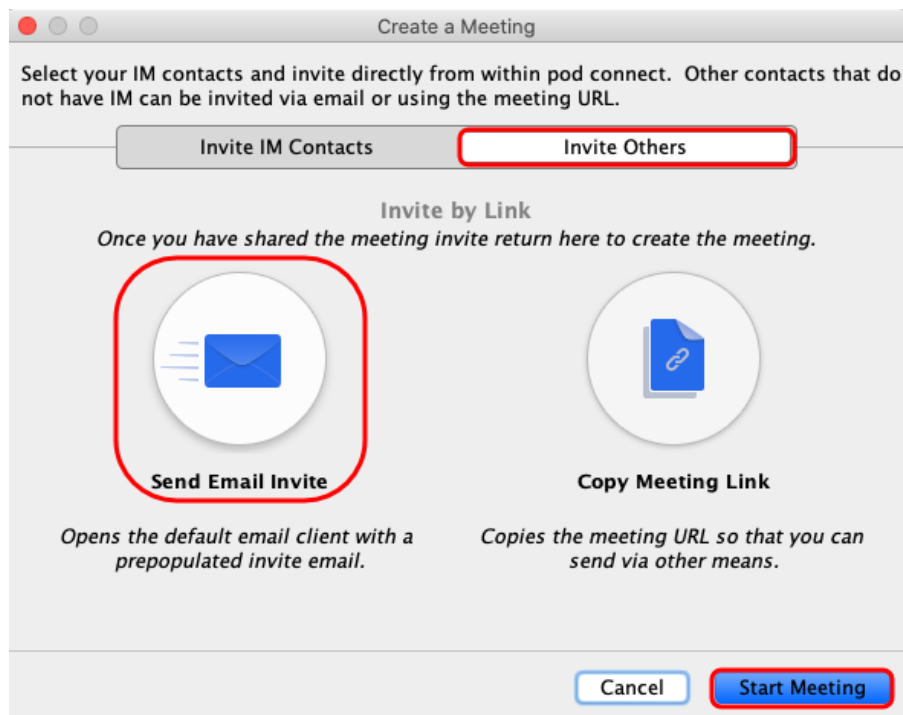From Pod Connect for Desktop Mac click on **Meetings** > **Create a Meeting...**



On the **Create a Meeting** box you can **Invite IM Contacts** (users within your business group) and/or **Invite Others** (**Send Email Invite** and **Copy Meeting Link**) this will allow you to send an invite via email or copy the link so you can create your own email or send the link by IM/SMS .etc

Select the IM contacts you wish to invite



Click on **Invite Others** if you would like to invite somebody not on your IM contacts.

To send an email invite click on **Send Email Invite.** This will open your default email client with a pre-populated email, enter the recipient(s) and send the email.

When you are ready to start you can click on **Start Meeting.**

**INFO:** For IM Contacts this will call them directly and a pop up will appear on their screen giving them the option **Ignore** the meeting request. This will only work if the IM contact is online, if the contact is offline you will need to Invite Others and email or copy the link to them. Invite Others will receive an email with a link to click on. If the email arrived please advise them to check spam/junk folders. If other contacts are using an Android or iOS devices the link will require them to download and install the Pod Connect application for that device before they can join.

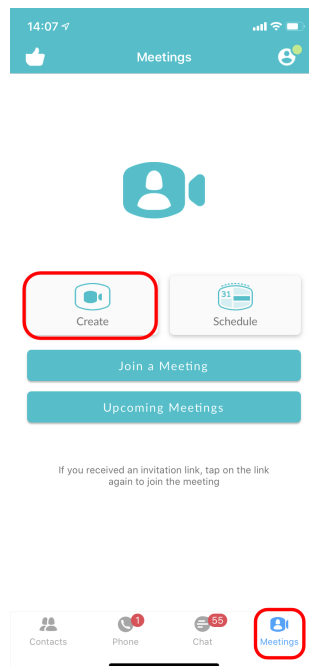# How Do I Start A Meeting From Pod Connect For Android/iOS?

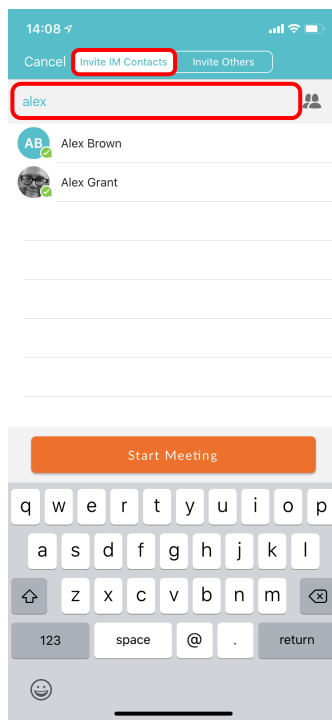**INFO:** If you do not have the Meeting options, please contact your Service Provider to have this enabled.

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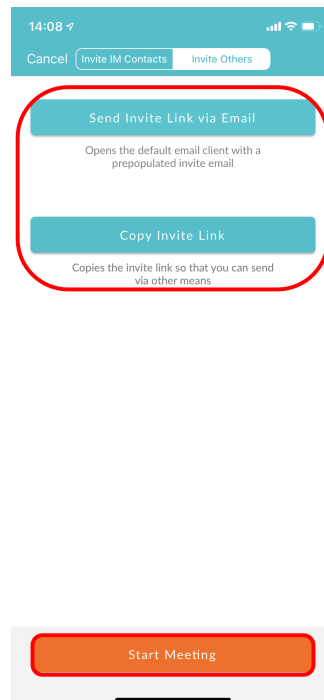
From the Pod Connect for Android/iOS application tap on **Meetings** at the bottom then **Create.**

You can **Invite IM Contacts** (users within your business group) and/or **Invite Others** (**Send Email Invite** and **Copy Meeting Link**) this will allow you to send an invite via email or copy the link so you can create your own email or send the link by IM/SMS .etc

Type the name of a Im Contact and tap to select the IM contact and/or **Invite Others**



To send an email invite click on **Send Invite Link via Email.** This will open your default email client with a pre-populated email, enter the recipient(s) and send the email.

When you are ready to start you can click on **Start Meeting.**

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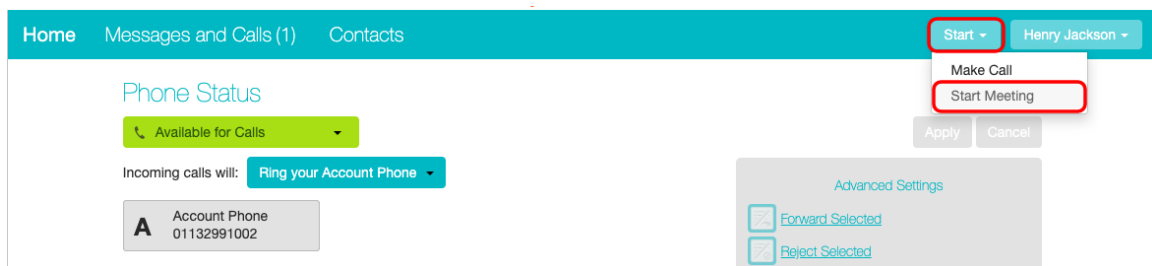
# How Do I Start a Meeting From the CommPortal?

**INFO:** If you do not have the Meeting options, please contact your Service Provider to have this enabled.

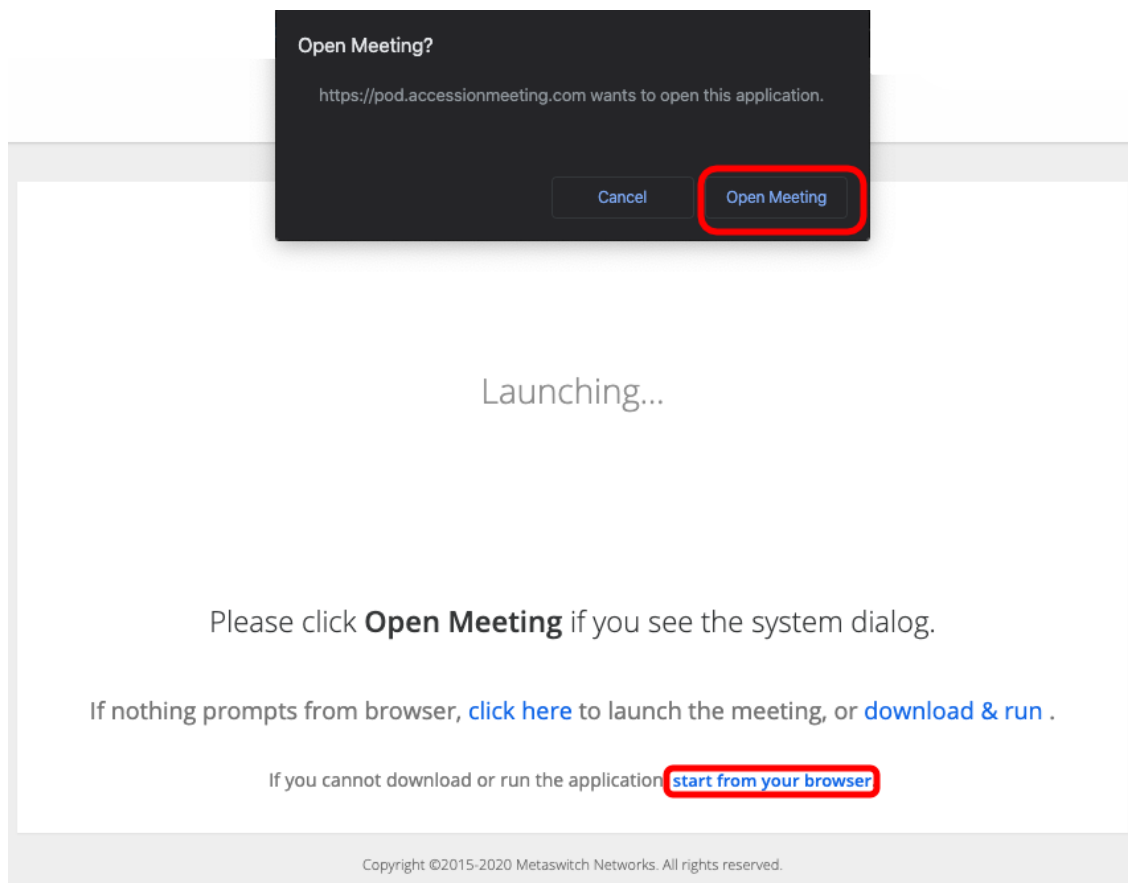**TIP:** You also start a meeting from Pod Connect for Android/iOS or Pod Connect for Desktop.

Once logged into the CommPortal click on **Start** then **Start Meeting**.

Depending on your web browser a new window/tab will open. Click open meeting.

**INFO:** If have opened CommPortal on a laptop or desktop pc that already has PodConnect for Desktop installed prompt to open the **Pod Connect for Desktop** application or you can choose to **start from your browser**
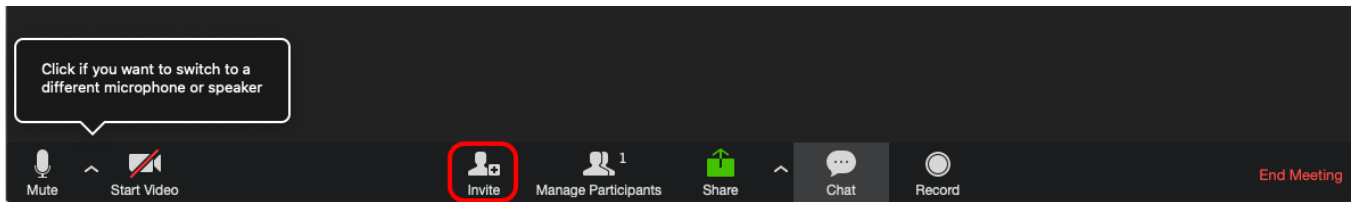
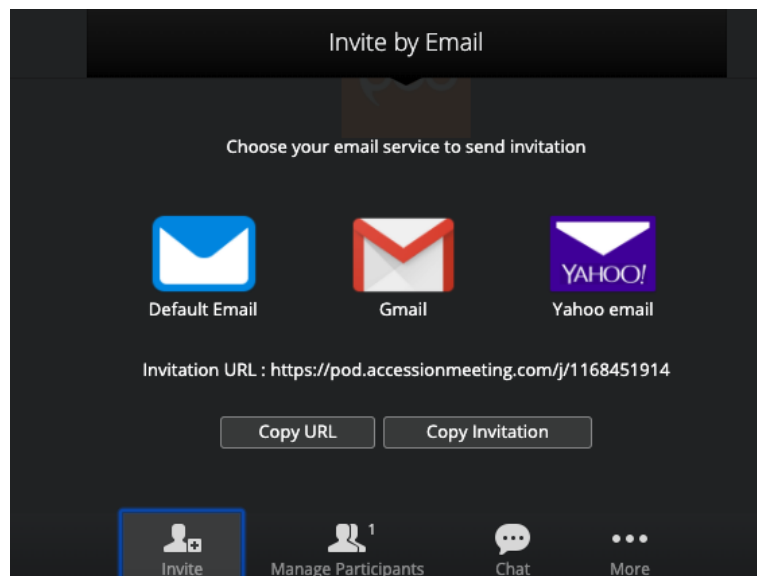The meeting will be started and you will be the only participant.

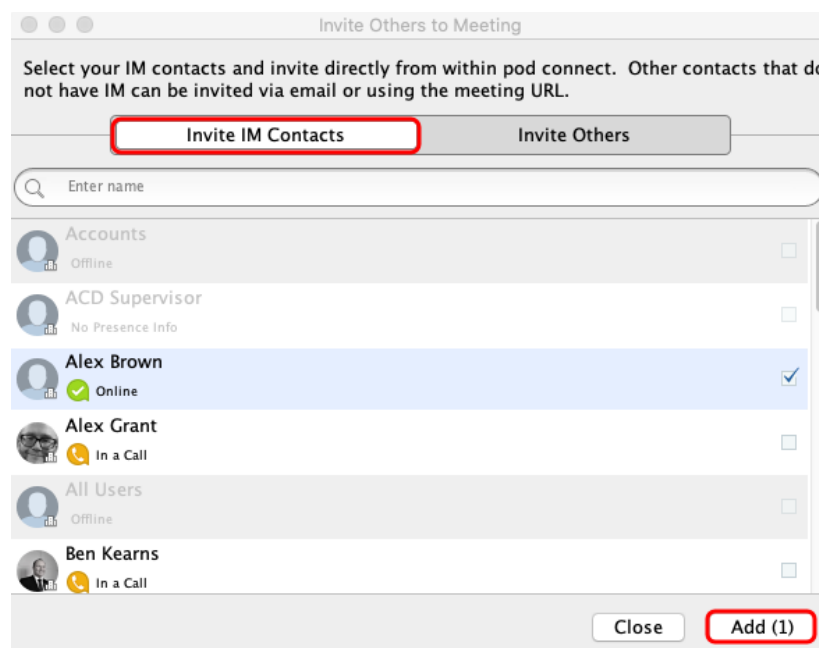Now you will be able to invite others to your meeting. Click on **Invite** at the bottom of the screen.



Depending on wether the meeting was stated in your browser or Pod Connect for Desktop the option may differ.

- From browser you will see the following, **Invite by Email** choose how you would like to send the invite. Either by email or you can copy the link.
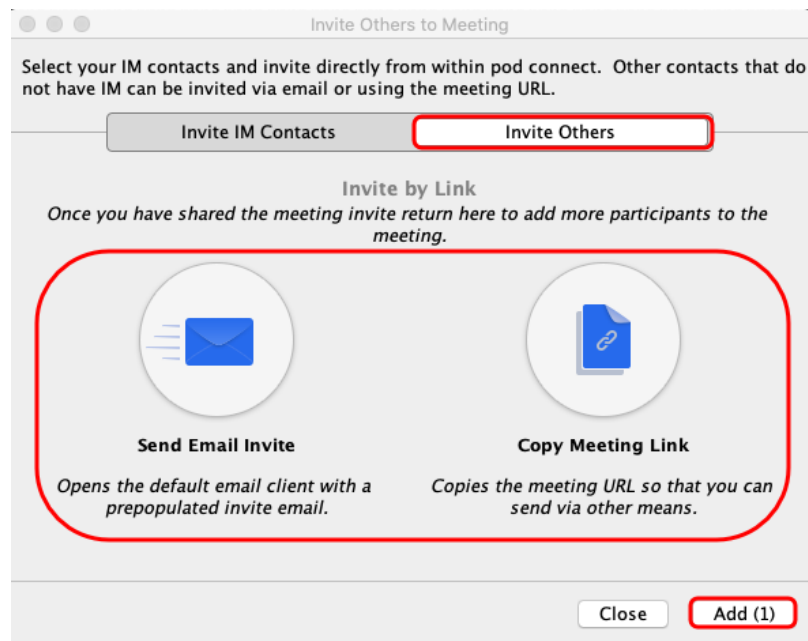


- From the Pod Connect for Desktop application this will open a new window, **Invite Others to Meeting**



On the **Invite Others to Meeting** box you can **Invite IM Contacts** (users within your business group) and/or **Invite**

**Others** (**Send Email Invite** and **Copy Meeting Link**) this will allow you to send an invite via email or copy the link so you can create your own email or send the link by IM/SMS .etc

Select the IM contacts you wish to invite



Click on **Invite Others** if you would like to invite somebody not on your IM contacts.

To send an email invite click on **Add.** This will open your default email client with a pre-populated email, enter the recipient(s) and send the email.

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> **Ignore** the meeting request. This will only work if the IM contact is online, if the contact is offline you will need to
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> link will require them to download and install the Pod Connect application for that device before they can join.

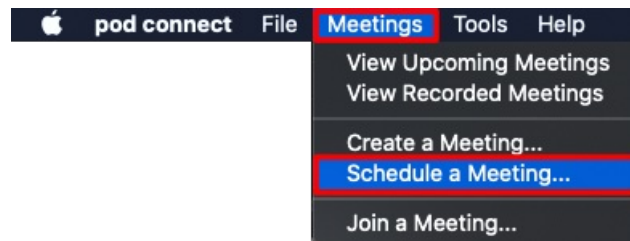As your meeting has already started you will not see a Start Meeting button.

# How Do I Schedule A Meeting on Mac OS?

To schedule a Meeting from Pod Connect for Desktop for Mac OS

From Pod Connect click on **Meetings** > **Schedule**



In the **Schedule A New Meeting** window you will be able to set your Meeting requirements



- **Topic**: Set the name or subject of the Meeting
- **When**: Pick the Start Date & Time, Duration, this does not have be an exact time this is only an indication of how long you expect the Meeting to last. If this is a recurring Meeting tick the **Recurring meeting** check box.
- **Video**: By default when joining a Meeting video is turned off until the Host or Participant turns its on.
- **Audio Options**: Recommended to leave as default Telephone and Computer Audio
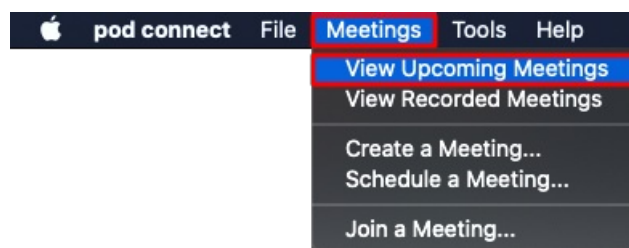- **Meeting Options**: Click on Advanced Options to show all options

- **Require meeting password**: We recommend that all scheduled Meetings are password protected.
- **Enable join before host**: Enabling this option will require a password to be set.
- **Mute participants on entry**: The host can unmute participants when ready
- **Use Personal Meeting ID**: This will allow you to schedule a Meeting using your **Personal Meeting ID** or your **Personal Link** see the How Do I Create A Personal Meeting Link? documentation.
- **Record the meeting automatically on the local computer:** The meeting will be recorded and saved on your local computer, see How Do I Record A Meeting? for further information.
- **Calendar**: This will save the Meeting in your calendar.

Click on **Schedule** to save your Meeting. You can start the Meeting when ready. You can either invite participants directly from the Meeting or send them the Meeting ID or web address.
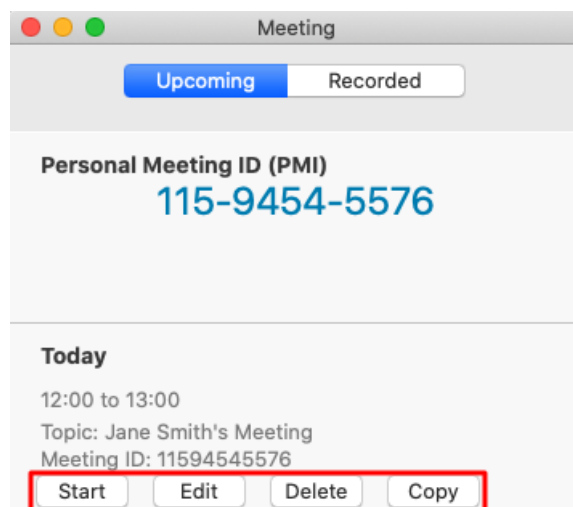
**INFO:** When scheduling a one off (Not recurring) meeting and not using the Personal Meeting ID this will gener random Meeting ID that can only be used once. Once the host has ended the Meeting that Meeting ID become
**Enable join before host**: For this feature to work you must first disable Waiting Room in the Advanced Setting
Start Up Guide - Recommend Setting For Pod Connect for Desktop for further information.

To view your upcoming Meetings click on **Meetings** > **View Upcoming Meetings**



This window will list all upcoming Meetings, from here you can either **Start, Edit** or **Delete** the meeting or **Copy** the meeting invite which will allow you to send as an email.



**INFO:** Depending on if you have saved the meeting to your Calendar you may receive a notification from your ca the Meeting is about to start. Pod Connect will not automatically start the meeting. If you think you may not be a attend but would like the Meeting to go ahead then you should enable **Join Before Host**.

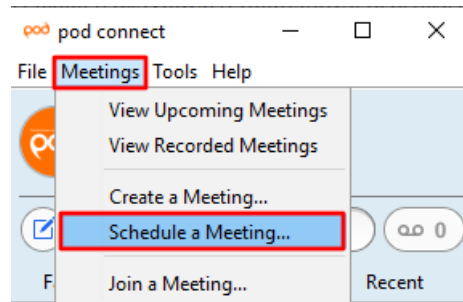# How Do I Schedule A Meeting on Windows?

| | INFO: If you do not have the Meeting options, please contact your Service Provider to have this enabled. |
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To schedule a Meeting from Pod Connect for Desktop for Windows

From Pod Connect click on **Meetings** > **Schedule**



In the **Schedule A New Meeting** window you will be able to set your Meeting requirements
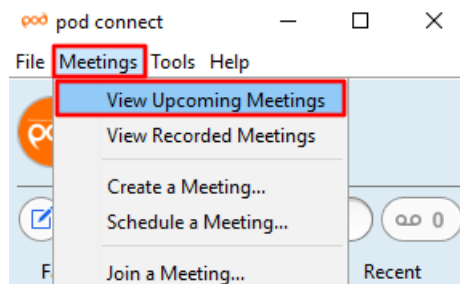
- **Topic**: Set the name or subject of the Meeting
- **When**: Pick the Start Date & Time, Duration, this does not have be an exact time this is only an indication of how long you expect the Meeting to last. If this is a recurring Meeting tick the **Recurring meeting** check box.
- **Video**: By default when joining a Meeting video is turned off until the Host or Participant turns its on.
- **Audio Options**: Recommended to leave as default Telephone and Computer Audio
- **Meeting Options**: Click on Advanced Options to show all options
  - **Require meeting password**: We recommend that all scheduled Meetings are password protected.
  - **Enable join before host**: Enabling this option will require a password to be set.
  - **Mute participants on entry**: The host can unmute participants when ready
  - **Use Personal Meeting ID**: This will allow you to schedule a Meeting using your **Personal Meeting ID** or your **Personal Link** see the How Do I Create A Personal Meeting Link? documentation.
  - **Record the meeting automatically on the local computer:** The meeting will be recorded and saved on your local computer, see How Do I Record A Meeting? for further information.
- **Calendar**: This will save the Meeting in your calendar.

Click on **Schedule** to save your Meeting. You can start the Meeting when ready. You can either invite participants directly from the Meeting or send them the Meeting ID or web address. A window with the Meeting details that can be copied will appear.



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This window will list all upcoming Meetings, from here you can either Start, Edit or Delete the meeting or Copy the meeting invite which will allow you to send as an email.

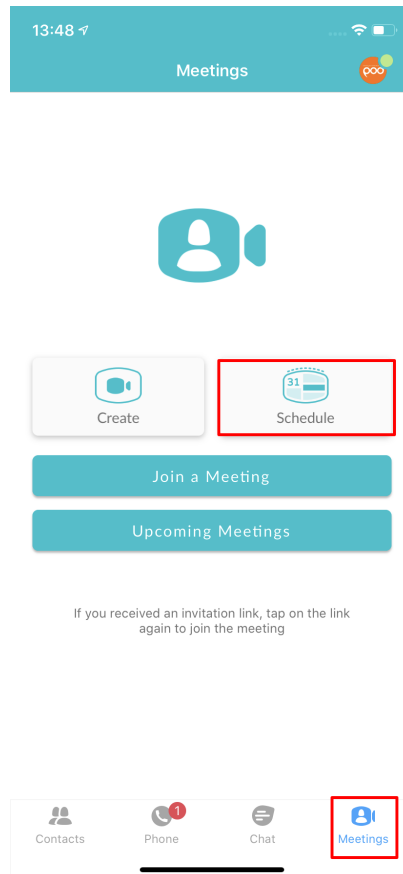**INFO:** Depending on if you have saved the meeting to your Calendar you may receive a notification from your ca the Meeting is about to start. Pod Connect will not automatically start the meeting. If you think you may not be a attend but would like the Meeting to go ahead then you should enable **Join Before Host**.

# How Do I Schedule A Meeting on iOS/Android Devices?

**INFO:** If you do not have the Meeting options, please contact your Service Provider to have this enabled.

To schedule a Meeting from iOS or Android devices open the Pod Connect application the tap on the **Meetings** icon then tap on **Schedule**.



In the **Schedule Meeting** window you will be able to set your Meeting requirements

- **Topic**: Set the name or subject of the Meeting
- **When**: Pick the Start Date & Time, Duration, this does not have be an exact time this is only an indication of how long you expect the Meeting to last. If this is a recurring Meeting switch on the **Recurring meeting.**
- **Video**: By default when joining a Meeting video is turned off until the Host or Participant turns its on.
- **Audio Options**: Recommended to leave as default both
- **Meeting Options**: Click on Advanced Options to show all options
    - **Require meeting password**: We recommend that all scheduled Meetings are password protected.
    - **Enable join before host**: Enabling this option will require a password to be set.
    - **Use Personal Meeting ID**: This will allow you to schedule a Meeting using your **Personal Meeting ID** or your **Personal Link** see the How Do I Create A Personal Meeting Link? documentation.

Click on **Schedule** to save your Meeting. You will now have the options to **Create Calendar Invite, Send Invite Via Email, Copy Invite To Clipboard or Schedule Without Invite**

To view your upcoming Meetings tap on **Meetings** > **Upcoming Meetings**

From you can either **Start Meeting, Edit Meeting, Invite Participants or Delete Meeting**

**INFO:** Depending on if you have saved the meeting to your Calendar you may receive a notification from your ca the Meeting is about to start. Pod Connect will not automatically start the meeting. If you think you may not be a attend but would like the Meeting to go ahead then you should enable **Join Before Host**.

# How Do I Use Waiting Rooms?

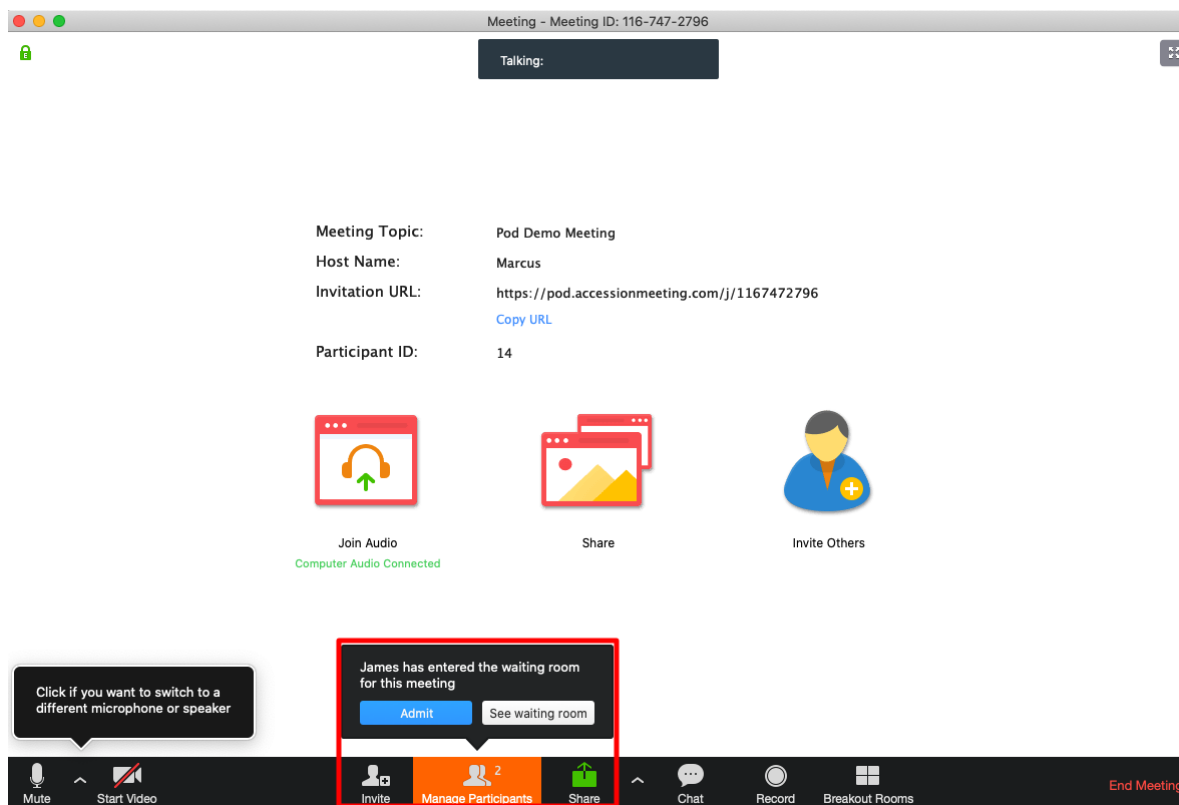Waiting rooms have been enabled by default, this is to help protect your meeting from unintended access.

When you Start/Schedule a Meeting all participants when entering the meeting will be placed in the Waiting Room before been allowed to enter the Meeting.

The participant will see the following message on their screen and the name will be the name of the meeting.
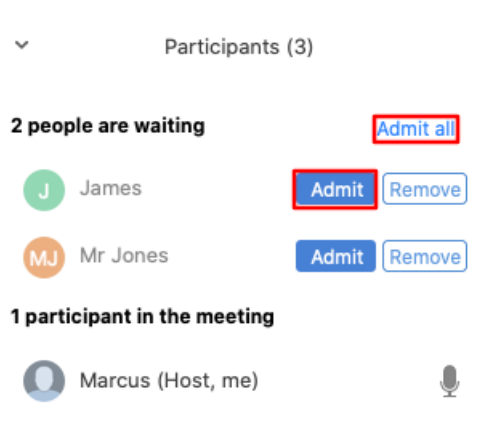


The will start the Meeting as normal, when a participant enters the meeting you see the following notification advise you that somebody has entered the Waiting Room.
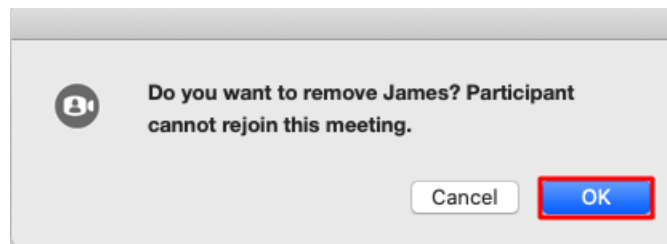


From you can either click **Admit** this will allow the participant "James" to enter the Meeting or you can click on **See waiting room** this will open the participants window where you manage all participants.
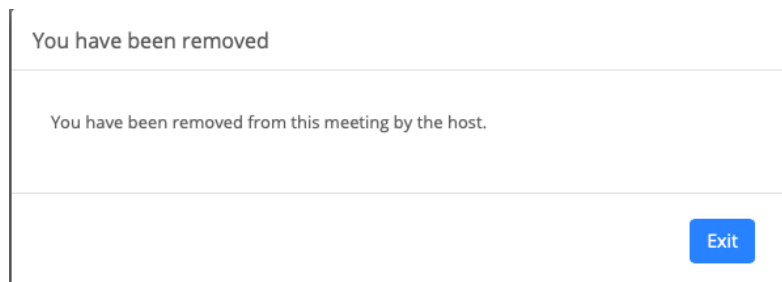
In the participants window you can Admit and Remove participants from the waiting room. To admit a participant click on **Admit** or **Admit all**
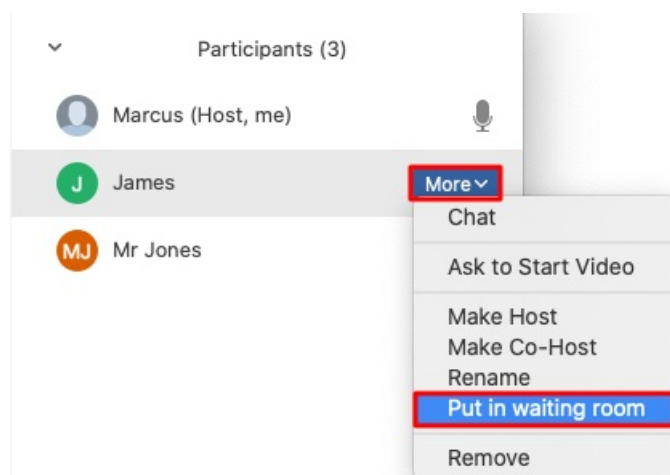
To remove a participant from the Waiting Room click on Remove a popup message will ask you to confirm this click OK



The participant has now been removed, they will see the following message



From the participant window you can also put participants back into the waiting room, select the participant and click on **More** then **Put in waiting room**



The participant has now been placed back in the Waiting Room and you can allow the participant back or remove them when you are ready by clicking either the **Admit** or **Remove** buttons.

**1 person is waiting**

J  James          Admit | Remove

**2 participants in the meeting**

Marcus (Host, me)

Mr Jones

# How Do I Join A Meeting When I Have Received An Invite?

**INFO:** Due to updated security settings by default when you join a meeting you will be placed in a Waiting Room host allows you into the meeting. See the How Do I Use Waiting Rooms? documentation.
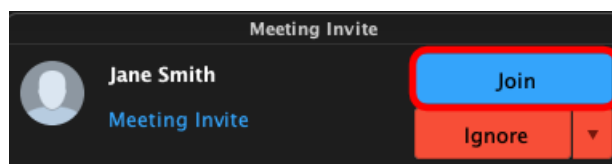
Joining a meeting is straight forward. Their are several ways this can be done:

- From the Pod Connect Application (Desktop/Android/iOS).
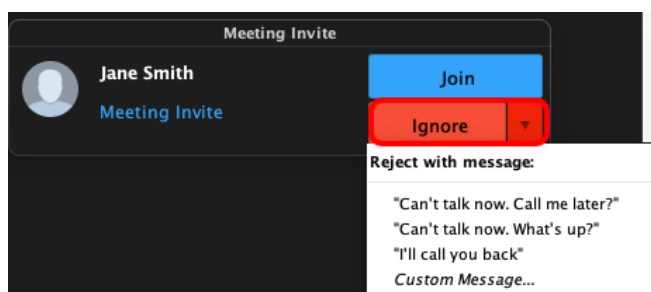- From the meeting link (URL).
- From a phone

**Users Within Your Business Group**

If the meeting invite from somebody within your Business Group and you are currently online at the time of the meeting a pop will appear on screen asking you Join or Ignore the meeting invite.

Click on **Join**.



Or click **Ignore**, you can choose to reply back with a message.



If you have received a Meeting Link by email or other means and you also use the Pod Connect application (Desktop/Android/iOS)

The email will look like this:

Jane invites you to attend this Accession Meeting.
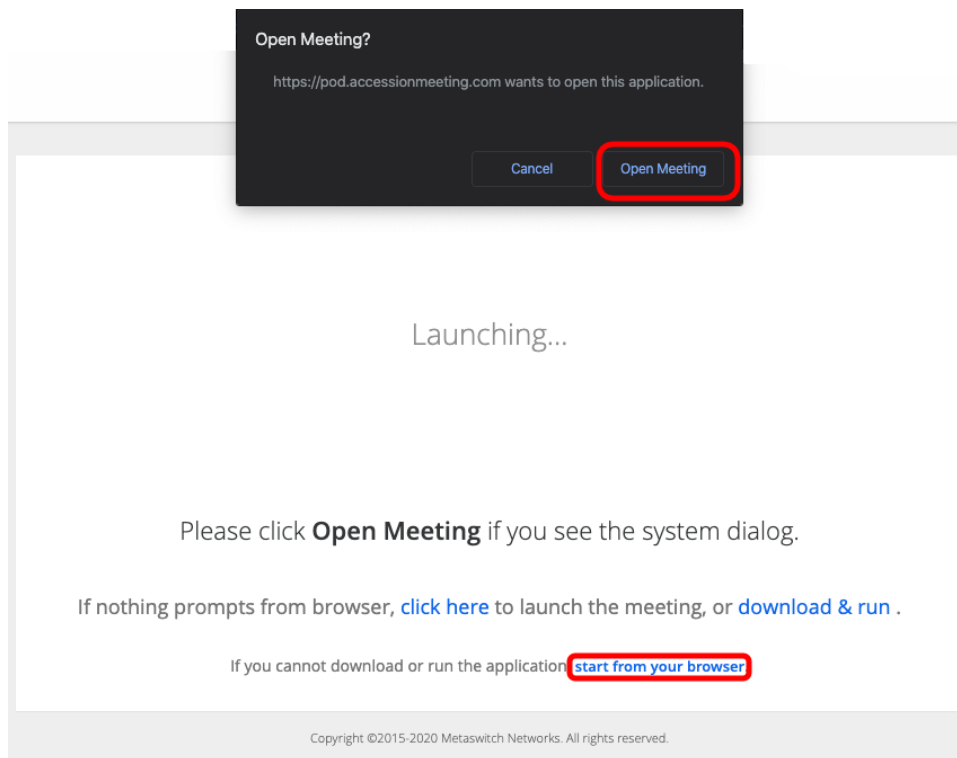Join by URL:
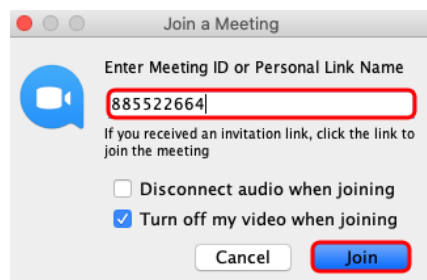https://pod.accessionmeeting.com/j/1162333251
Or join by phone:
08000221663
Meeting ID: 1162333251

To join from Pod Connect for Desktop you can either click on the link which will open in your default web browser giving you the option to either **Open Meeting** or **Download & Run** or **start from your browser.** Click on **Open Meeting** will launch the meeting directly from the Pod Connect for Desktop application.
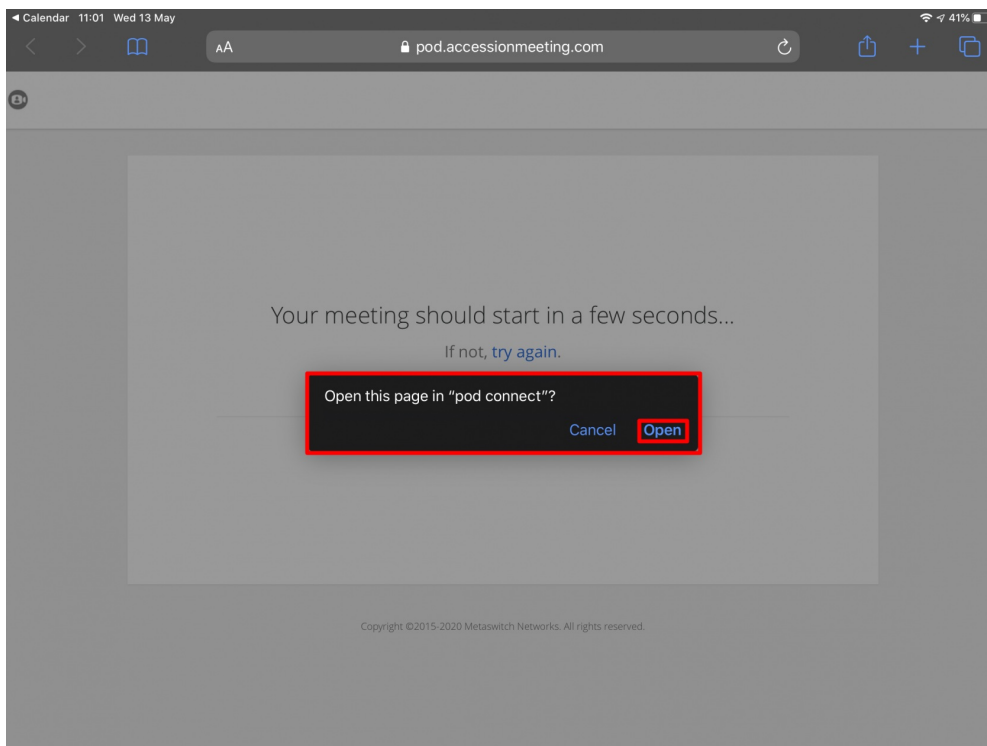
Within Pod Connect for Desktop you can also join the meeting using the Meeting ID click on **File > Join Meeting** enter the **Meeting ID** and click on **Join**.



To join from Pod Connect for Android/iOS on the same Business Group and you are online then you will have the option to either **Join** or **Ignore** the meeting invite as mentioned previously.
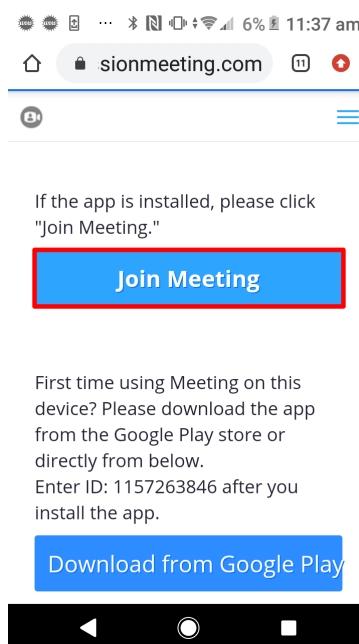
If you have received the Meeting Link via email on you mobile device and have **Pod Connect installed on this device** you can click on the Meeting URL (link) within the email:

For iOS devices this will open Safari by default and it will ask you to **Open this page in "pod connect"** click on **Open** to join the Meeting.
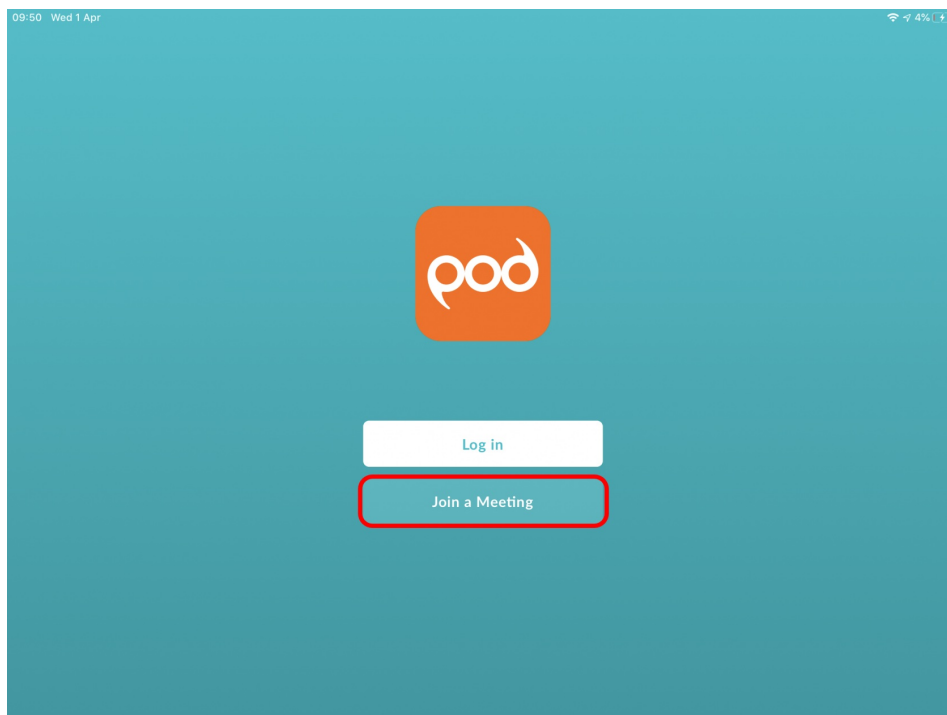
For Android devices you may see a pop up asking to Open in pod connect or Chrome. Choose **pod connect**.

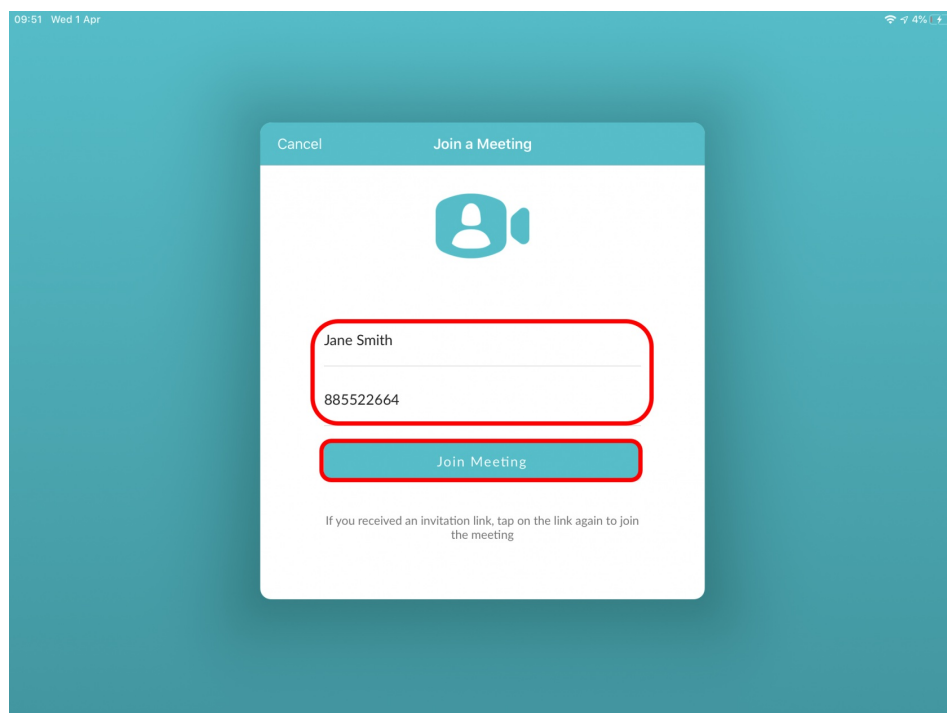If you choose **Chrome** you will see the following web page tap on **Join Meeting**



You can also join a Meeting by using the **Meeting ID** you will first need to log out of pod connect.

On the main screen tap on **Join a Meeting** instead of Log in.

Next enter your **Name** and the **Meeting ID**, tap on **Join Meeting**



Finally you can also join a meeting by phoning in. Call the phone number within the invite email, when prompted enter the Meeting ID.  This will only allow you to listen and talk within the meeting.

**INFO:** The above guide is directed for users that do not have the option to create meetings.  If you have the op create Meetings then joining Meetings is slightly different.
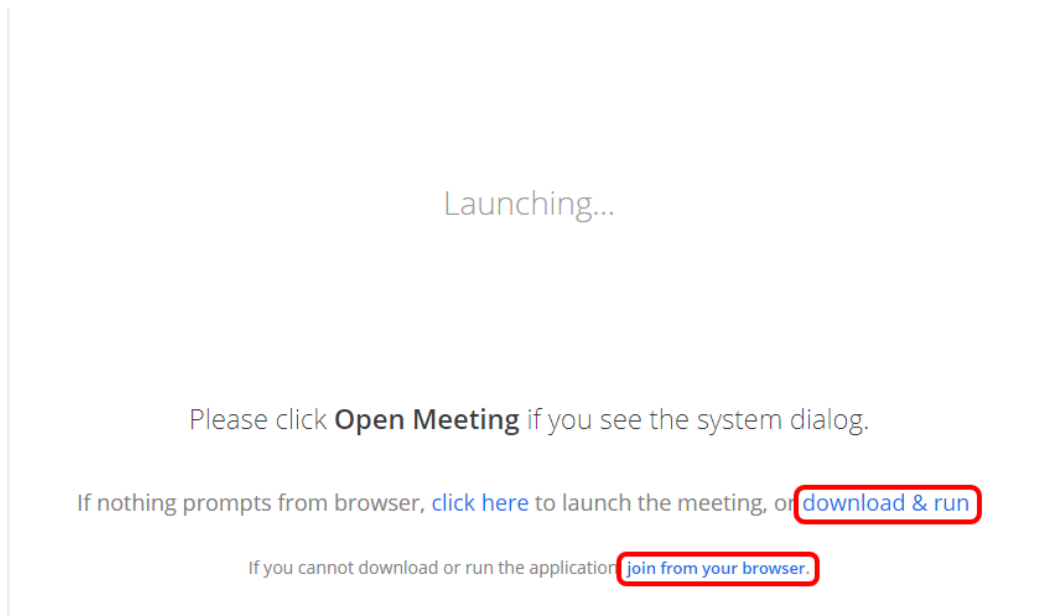
For Pod Connect For Desktop - You can join via the Meeting Link as mentioned above or within the application of **Meetings > Join Meeting...**
For Pod Connect for Android/iOS - Tap on the **Meetings** tab at the bottom then tap on **Join a Meeting**

**Users Not Within Your Business Group**

If you are inviting someone outside of your Business Group, they will have received the Meeting Link via email or other means.

Accessing the Meeting from a Laptop/PC The invitee can click on the Meeting Link this will open a web page with the following options:



The first time you join a meeting you will have the option to Download & run will download the AccessionMeetingLauncher (this will be same on both Windows and MAC) install the launcher and the Meeting will start. Enter you name in the popup box and click **Join.**

Installing this application on to your computer will make joining any future meetings quicker, easier and allow full access to all features. As a pop up will appear to **Open Meeting**.


**INFO: To use all the Meeting features you MUST install the AccessionMeetingLauncher for MAC o Windows. Note that the meeting experience from the join from browser is limited.**

If you prefer not to install the Meeting application and if the option is available you can choose **join from your browser**.
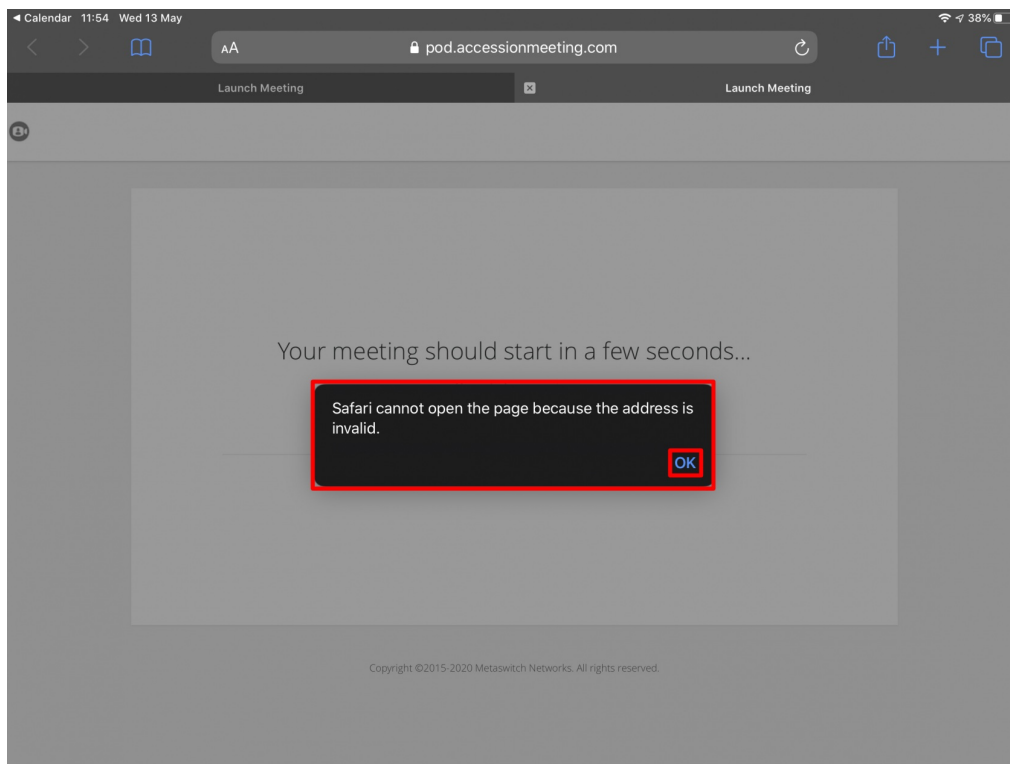

**INFO:** Depending on your computer/laptop settings your web browser may prompt you to allow access to your and Microphone and/or folders is you are sharing any documents. Please click on **Allow**.
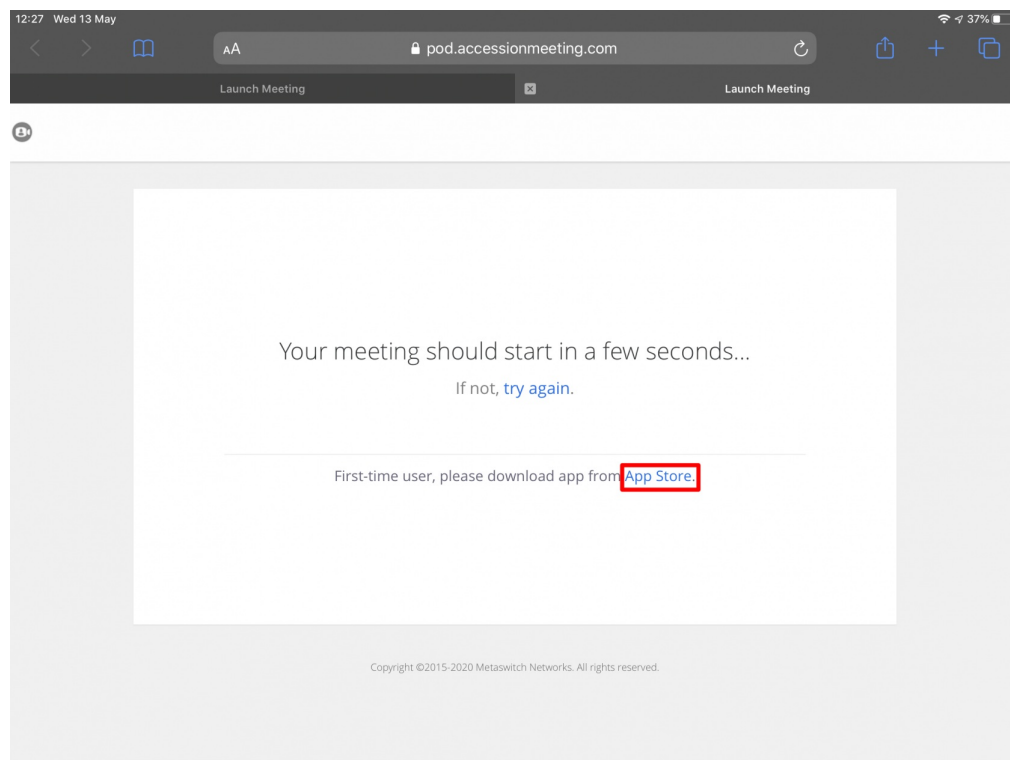
**Mobile users that do not have pod connect installed**

If are using an iOS device when you receive the meeting invite and tap on the meeting url you will see the following page:
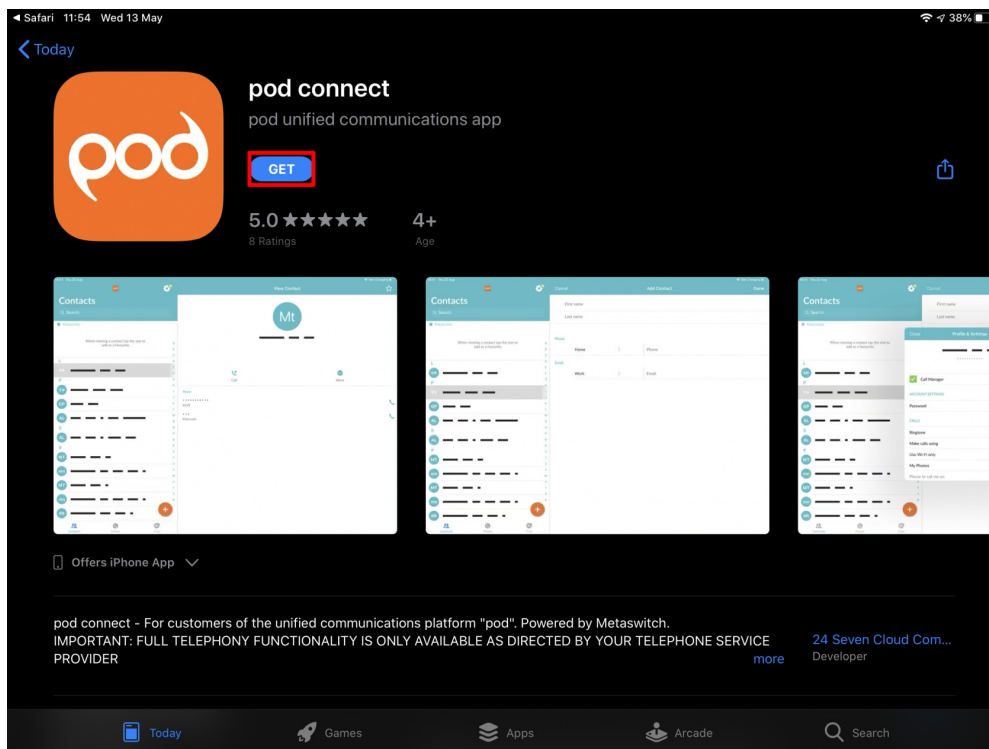
**This is not a fault, tap OK.**

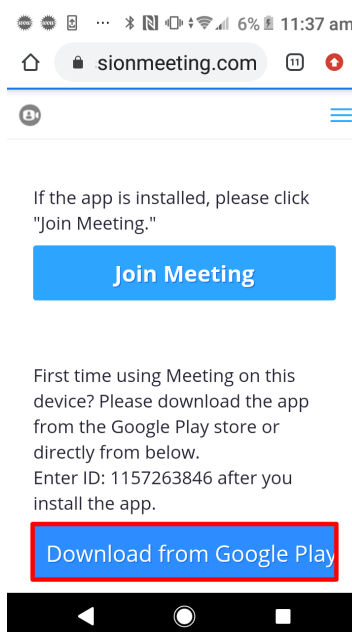As pod connect is not installed tap on **App store**



This will take you directly to the App store to download pod connect tap on **Get** to download and install **pod connect**
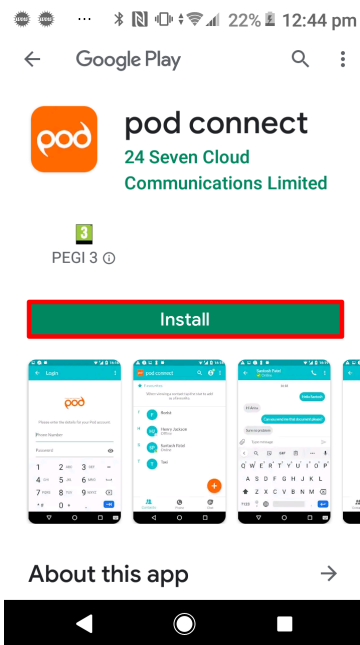
If are using an Android device when you receive the meeting invite and tap on the meeting url you will see the following page:

Tap on **Download from Google Play**



This will take you directly to the Play store to download pod connect tap on **Install** to download and install **pod connect**

Finally you can also join a meeting by phoning in. Call the phone number within the invite email, when prompted enter the Meeting ID. This will only allow you to listen and talk within the meeting.

# How Do I Create A Personal Meeting Link (URL)?

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| ℹ | **INFO:** If you do not have the Meeting options, please contact your Service Provider to have this enabled. |

With a **Personal Meeting Link** you can instantly create meetings from any web browser. Your link will look like the following:
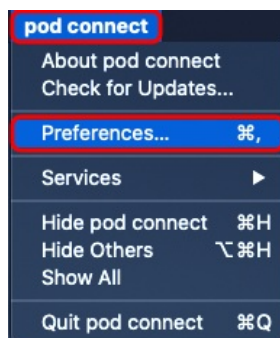
> https://pod.accessionmeeting.com/my/**yourname**

**yourname** is also the meeting ID. This not only makes it easier to join meetings but also looks more professional. Users with Pod Connect already installed can just enter **yourname** in the meeting ID and click on Join Meeting.
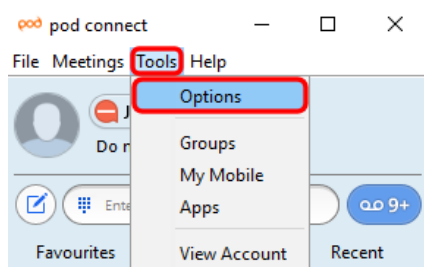
Before you can create a Personal Meeting Link you must first install the Pod Connect for Desktop application, please see this documentation on how to download the application.

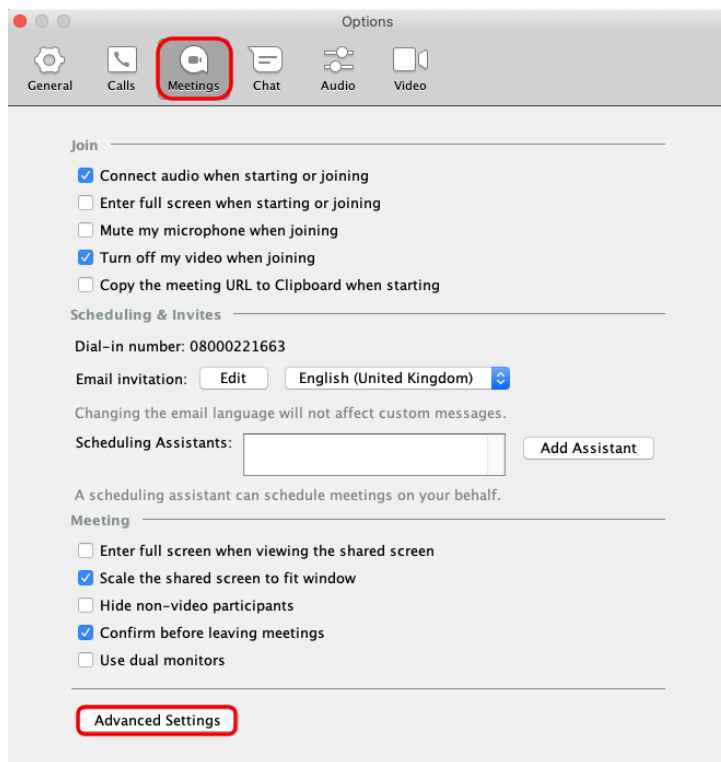Once Pod Connect for Desktop is installed and logged in

> From Mac OS click on **pod connect > Preferences...**
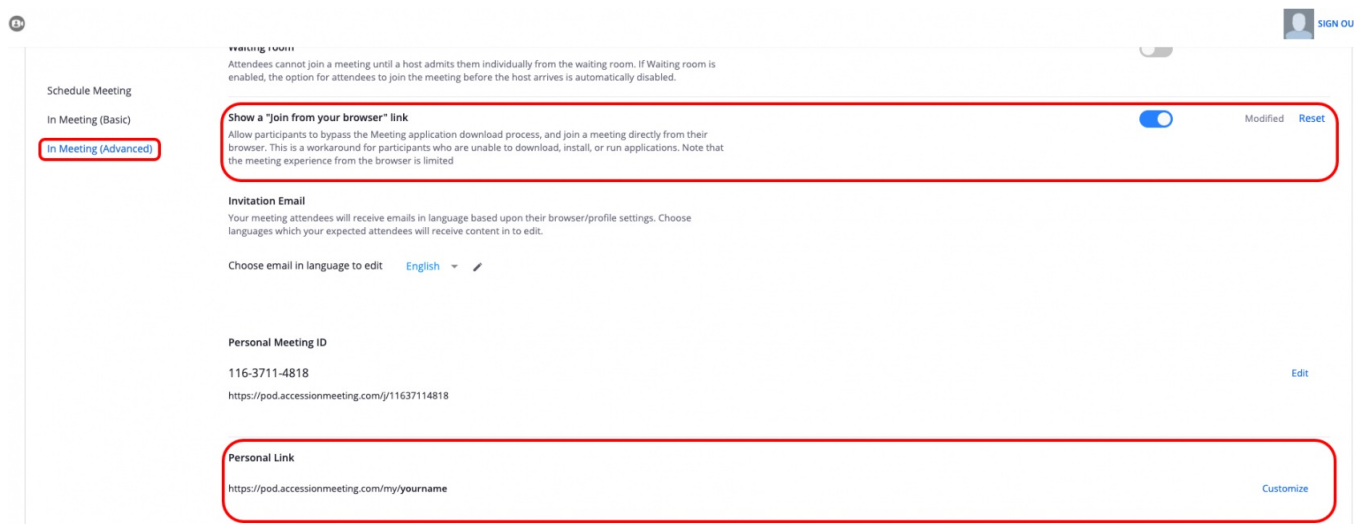


> From Windows click on **Tools > Options**



From the **Preferences/Options** window click on the **Meetings** tab at the top and then **Advanced Settings** at the bottom of the window.

This will open a new window in your web browser. Click on In Meeting (Advanced) then scroll down to the bottom of the page.



**TIP:** While in the Advanced Settings we do recommend that you enable **Show a "join from your browser"** will enable users that are using a PC/MAC without the Pod Connect for Desktop application installed to use the without the need to install the application.

In the Personal Link section click on **Customize** then enter a name for your Meeting ID then click **Save Changes**

- It must be 5 to 40 characters.
- It must start with a letter and can contain only letters (a-z), numbers (0-9) and periods (".").

**Personal Link**

https://pod.accessionmeeting.com/my/ yourname

Personal Link is an alias of your personal meeting URL https://pod.accessionmeeting.com/j/11637114818.
It must be 5 to 40 characters.
It must start with a letter and can contain only letters (a-z), numbers (0-9) and periods (".").

**Save Changes**    Cancel

If the name you are wanting to use is already taken, you will receive an error when trying to save the changes.

**Personal Link**

https://pod.accessionmeeting.com/my/ yourname

**yourname** is already taken by a user from your account. Choose another Personal Link Name and try again.

Personal Link is an alias of your personal meeting URL https://pod.accessionmeeting.com/j/11637114818.
It must be 5 to 40 characters.
It must start with a letter and can contain only letters (a-z), numbers (0-9) and periods (".").

**Save Changes**    Cancel

Please try a different name and click on **Save Changes**. When your changes have been saved the Personal Meeting Link will be ready to use.
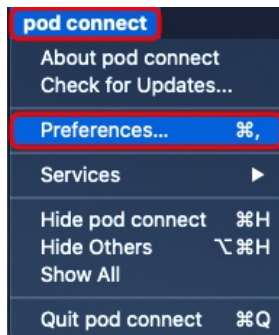
# How Do I Recorded A Meeting?

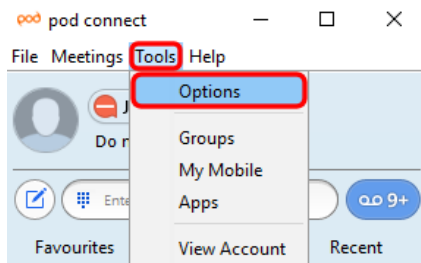By default all Recordings will be saved on the following locations:

- Mac OS: **/Users/Your-User-Name/pod connect**
- Windows: **C:\Users\Your-User-Name\pod connect**

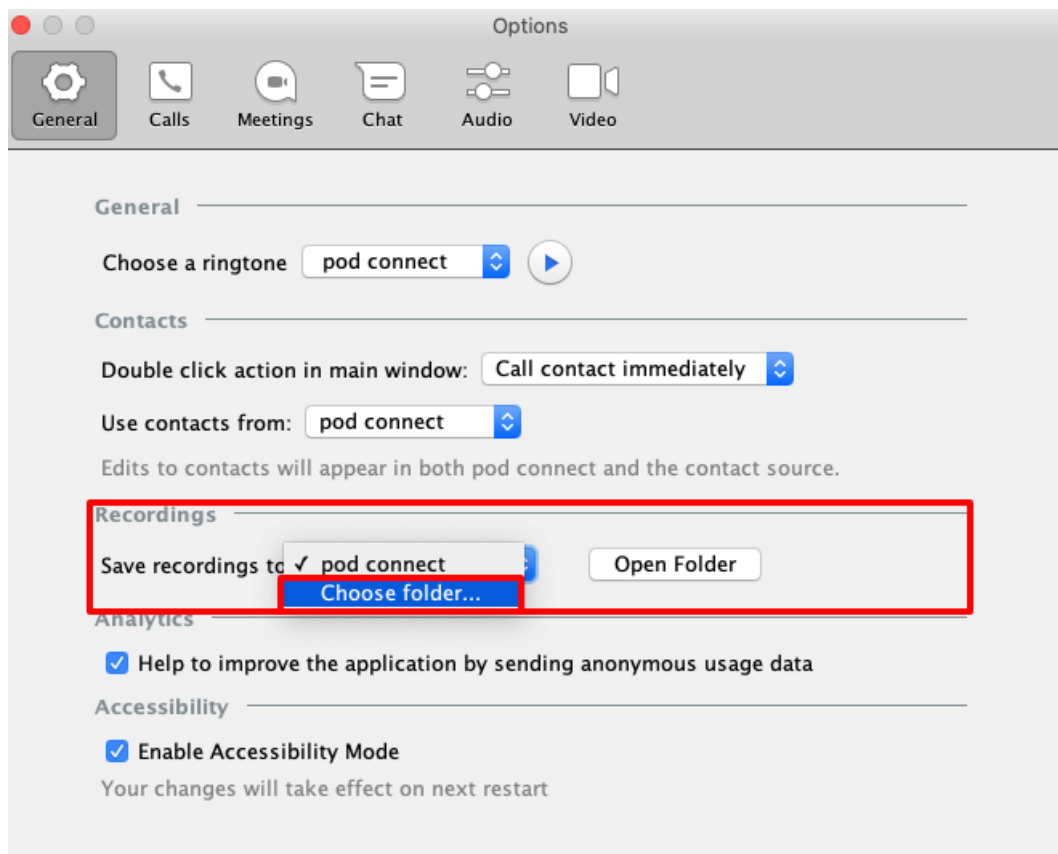You can change this location from the Options panel

From Mac OS click on **pod connect > Preferences...**



From Windows click on **Tools > Options**



Under **Recordings** click on the drop down menu and click **Choose folder...** Browse to the folder you wish to use for **Recordings** and click on **Choose**
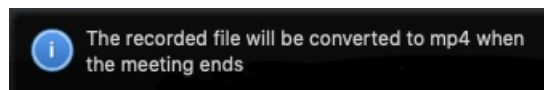
**INFO:** Saving automatically to a cloud storage provider is not supported at this time. However if you use any of t iCloud Drive, Google Drive, Dropbox or similar that uses synchronisation of folders you can then select that fold this would still leave the a local copy on your computer in that folder.
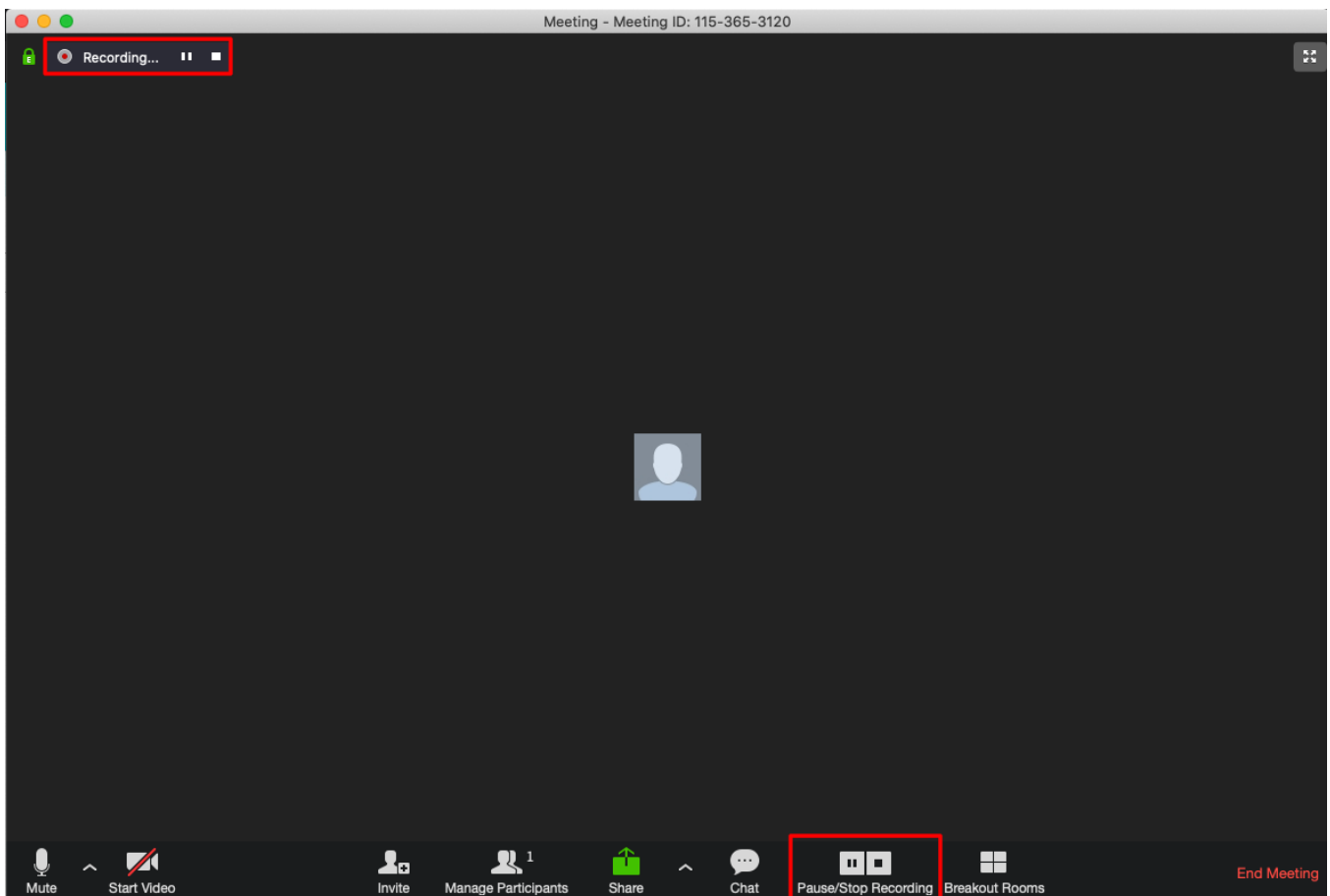
To record your meeting, once you are logged into the Meeting click on the Record button.



The meeting will now start recording. You will a on screen popup appear



From the Meeting screen you can either Pause or Stop the recording by using the Pause or Stop buttons.

When the Meeting is paused you will see the following in the top left hand corner of the meeting screen

Recording Paused

When you stop the recording the file will be converted into an mp4 file. This will be saved in the folder location you setup earlier. This will create a sub folder with the date, time and Meeting ID the mp4 file will include both video and audio, an audio only file will also be created in the folder.

**TIP:** If you have issues playing the recording files, you could use an alternative player like VLC Player from https://www.videolan.org/