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Change advisory notice 301 - Vicmap Viewer app uplift

What is happening

The Vicmap team is uplifting the technology that supports the Vicmap Viewer app. The app is currently a native app available on the Google Play and Apple App store. This app is being migrated to a Progressive Web App (PWA).

Why this change is occurring

This uplift will ensure the following:

- a more reliable and robust app with less disruptions
- a more efficient process to access map updates
- restoration times of bugs fixes will improve
- new functionality and enhancements will be available quicker to users, and
- the ability for the Department to preserve costs associated with downloading maps, therefore better value for money for external paying customers.

Who will it affect

This change will affect all users of the Vicmap Viewer app.

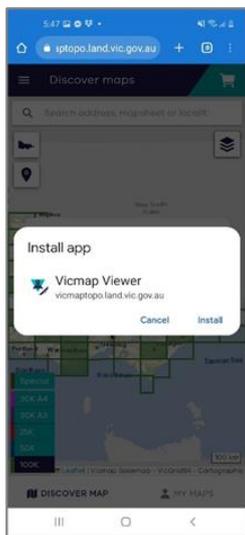
How to access the improved Vicmap Viewer app

Users can access the improved Vicmap Viewer app via this URL on their devices web browser: <https://vicmaptopo.land.vic.gov.au/>. And then follow the these steps.

For Android devices



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3



Step 4

Step 1. On devices web browser, type in vicmaptopo.land.vic.gov.au. A pop up window will appear asking for permission to install Vicmap Viewer on your device as an app. Click **INSTALL**.

Step 2. Another pop up window will appear asking for permission to install Vicmap Viewer app on your device. Click **Install**.

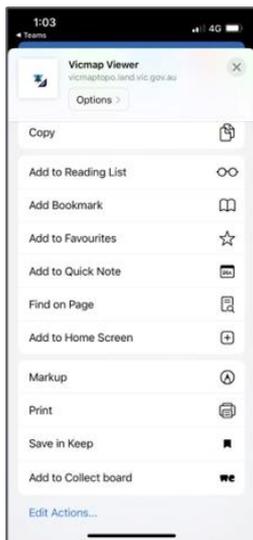
Step 3. A notification will pop up confirming Vicmap Viewer has been installed on devices home screen.

Step 4. The Vicmap Viewer is installed and ready for use!

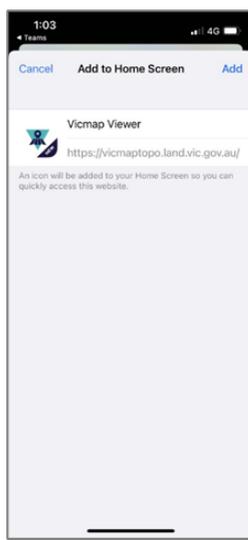
For iOS devices



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3



Step 4

Step 1. On devices web browser, type in vicmaptopo.land.vic.gov.au. A pop-up window will appear with options on how to access Vicmap Viewer on your device. Click

Step 2. Another pop up window will appear with options of how to access Vicmap Viewer on your device. Click Add to Home Screen

Step 3. A notification will pop up confirming Vicmap Viewer will be installed on devices home screen.

Step 4. The Vicmap Viewer is now installed and ready for use!

How to transfer maps to the improved Vicmap Viewer app

All maps downloaded on the current app will be available to users on the improved Vicmap Viewer app. Users can access their previously downloaded maps via the **My Maps** section of Vicmap Viewer.

If an update to the map has become available since initially downloaded, then the new version will be made available.

Size limitation

The improved Vicmap Viewer has a size limitation of 1GB on iOS devices. Users may need to remove some maps in order not to exceed this limit, whilst downloading new maps. Importantly, these removed maps will still be available to users to download in the future with no additional cost. For reference 1GB equates to approximately:

- 380 x 1:30,000 A4 sized maps, or
- 340 x 1:30,000 A3 sized maps, or
- 65 x 1:25,000 maps, or
- 45 x 1:50,000 maps, or
- 65 x 1:100,000 maps

Below is a description of the options in the **My Maps** section of Vicmap Viewer:

VIEW	Map is available for viewing in any available PDF viewer in online mode. All previously downloaded maps will be available to VIEW
SAVE	Download map to user device to enable offline use
REMOVE	Remove downloaded map from user device. Map can still be viewed online using VIEW. It can be downloaded in the future for offline use using SAVE
ACCESS UPDATE	A new version of the map is available to download if required.

When the change will occur

- The improved Vicmap Viewer will be available from 31 July 2023 via a URL on both Android and iOS devices.
- Both the current Vicmap Viewer and the improved Vicmap Viewer will operate side by side from 31 July 2023 until 31 October 2023.
- The current Vicmap Viewer app will remain available on Google Play and Apple App store until 31 October 2023. It will then be decommissioned and unmaintained.
- Downloaded instances of current Vicmap Viewer app will be disabled on 30 November 2023.

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