7-Day Recovery Digital Detox Plan



Helping you reclaim clarity, focus, and peace without the scroll.

Day 1 – Awareness and Audit

Goal: Identify your digital triggers.

- Keep a simple log for the day: when you use your phone, why, and how you feel before and after.
- Highlight moments when your usage is linked to boredom, stress, or cravings.
- Recovery Tip: Share your findings with a support partner or sponsor.

Day 2 – Curate Your Digital Environment

Goal: Remove unnecessary noise.

- Delete triggering apps or mute accounts that spark negative emotions or memories.
- Turn off non-essential notifications.
- Recovery Tip: Replace mindless scrolling with reading, journaling, or calling a sober friend.

Day 3 – Introduce Tech-Free Zones

Goal: Create safe spaces without screens.

- No devices at the dinner table, in the bedroom, or during therapy sessions.
- Keep a book, puzzle, or notepad in these spaces instead.
 - *Recovery Tip:* Make meals and bedtime rituals screen-free to help regulate mood and sleep.

Day 4 – Morning Without Screens

Goal: Start your day grounded.

 Delay checking your phone for the first hour after waking.

- Fill that hour with a walk, light stretching, meditation, or gratitude journaling.
- *Recovery Tip:* Mornings set the tone for the day—choose calm over chaos.

Day 5 – Replace, Don't Just Remove

Goal: Swap digital habits for recovery-friendly activities.

- For every 30 minutes you'd normally spend online, choose something offline: draw, cook, garden, or connect with someone face-to-face.
- Recovery Tip: Keep a list of "offline go-to" activities in your pocket.

Day 6 – Tech-Free Evening

Goal: Wind down without stimulation.

- Shut off screens 2 hours before bed.
- Use that time for reading, gentle stretches, or a relaxing bath.
- Recovery Tip: This improves sleep quality, which boosts emotional stability in recovery.

Day 7 - Reflection and Adjust

Goal: Review your progress and set long-term goals.

- Ask: How do I feel mentally? Am I sleeping better? Have my cravings changed?
- Decide what new digital boundaries you will keep for the next month.
- Recovery Tip: Share your wins with your support network to reinforce the habit.

Final Encouragement:

A digital detox is not about "quitting your phone forever." It is about reclaiming control and creating space for the people, activities, and recovery work that truly matter.

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