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The Xbox Name Guide for 2026

Your Xbox name is what other players see in lobbies, in party chat and on leaderboards. This guide covers the Xbox gamertag rules, name ideas by style and format, the styles that suit each kind of game and a page to shortlist your favourites.

The Xbox gamertag rules

1. **Letters, numbers and spaces only.** No underscores, hyphens, dots or other symbols. Use a space or CamelCase to split words, like Night Rider or NightRider.
2. **Up to 15 characters.** Spaces count, so ShadowRush 99 is 13.
3. **Nothing offensive.** Names that break the Xbox community rules can be changed for you.
4. **Check it is free.** Type the name in the Xbox app or on your console before you claim it, because names get taken fast.

Name ideas by style

Style	How the name sounds	Example ideas
Cool	Sleek, modern and impressive	FrostByteX, SteelViper
Funny	Gaming memes and word play	NoScopePotato, CouchWarrior
Badass	Powerful words that command respect	BloodStorm, VenomStrike
Gamer-style	Classic gaming and esports words	ClutchMaster, FragHunter
Edgy	Dark and mysterious	Void Walker, Shadow Rush
Techy	Futuristic, digital and sci-fi	GlitchRider, PixelHunter

Formats that work on Xbox

Format	Examples
xX[Name]Xx clan tag	xXShadowXx, xXReaperXx
[Adjective][Animal] + numbers	IronWolf99, FrostBear42
[Keyword] + suffix	Shadow Pro, Beast Mode
[Verb][Noun]	StormChaser, BladeWalker
One word + numbers	Crimson99, Phantom42
Two words with a space	Night Rider, Storm King

Styles by kind of game

Competitive FPS: short, badass or gamer-style, like Clutch99. **Casual games:** funny, cool or animal names, like ChillPanda. **RPG and adventure:** cool, edgy or fantasy words, like ShadowBlade. **Racing:** cool, techy or speed words, like TurboRider. **Streaming:** memorable, clean and brandable, like StreamKing.

Shortlist your favourites

Fill this in, then make more names on the Xbox Name Generator.

Your style, the games you play and the word you want in your name

Three Xbox names you like, and the one that is free in the Xbox app

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