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Why Use Social Media?



Connecting with New Audiences

60% of Instagram users find new products on this platform

Building Relationships

Market your brand personality and voice engaging the community and sharing your brand values.

Increasing Website Traffic

Create interest in the products and services on your website with your social media content potentially resulting in increased website traffic and additional sales.

Distributing Targeted Messaging

Social media platforms allow marketers the ability reach their target audience with ads and messaging that match their specifics interests and needs.

Conducting Market Research

"Listening" to social media conversations allows marketers to gather insights from what is working for competitors.

Sharing Expertise

Social media sites including Instagram, LinkedIn and Twitter, allow organizations to set themselves apart from their competitors by using "engaging, insightful, and relevant content".

Managing Reputation

These social media sites provide a straightforward method of interaction with your clients and issues can be quickly resolved.

Evaluating Analytics & Insights

Track the interests of your community, see who is engaged, and the top performing activities and content by using analytics tools available on most social media platforms.

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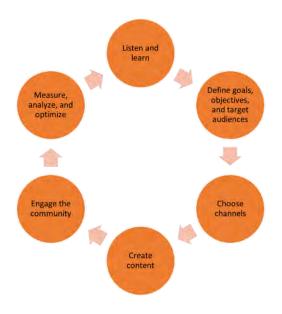
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A Six Step Social Media Framework



Step 1: Listen and Learn

Use social media to learn what your customers want. Listening helps you to develop a social media strategy to reach your target audience.

Step 2: Define Goals, Objectives, and Target Audiences

It is important to know what you want to achieve and who you want to reach with your social media.

Step 3: Choose Channels

Take time to choose the type of social media marketing that will work best for your organization's target audience.

Step 4: Create Content

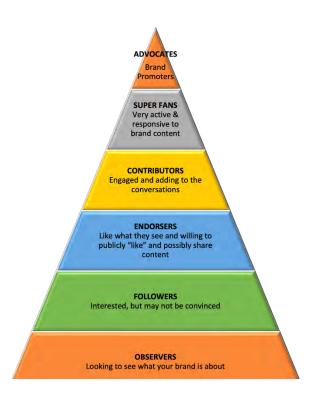
Deliver content based on what you are trying to achieve, what works best on your chosen channel and target audience.

Step 5: Engage the Community

Build positive connections with your target audience by using engaging content that will encourage them to share, like, and post.

Step 6: Measure, Analyze, and Optimize

To know if your social media marketing is successful, it is important to measure through online analytics, surveys, and content analysis. Based on the results you will be able to see what worked and what didn't.



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Webinars

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Thursday February 13th 2025 11:30am - 12:30pm ET

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How Often Should I Post on Social Media?



Facebook

2-5 times a week

- Only post 1-2 times per day
- Slightly better to post on Sundays



Twitter

2-4 times per day

 Content moves quickly, posts have a short lifespan —Publishing more is better



LinkedIn

2-5 times per week

 As this is a business networking platform, posts shared during business hours Tuesday through Friday perform best



Instagram

3-7 times a week

- Best times: 9 am, lunchtime, & around 7 pm
- Best days: Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday



Pinterest

at least once per week, no more than once per day

- Content has a long shelf life
- Best days: Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday



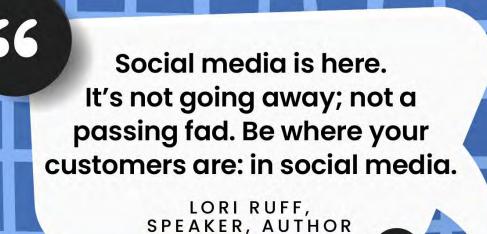
TikTok

3-5 times per week

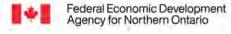
- Work up to TikTok's recommended schedule of 1-4 posts per day
- Best days: Tuesday & Wednesday

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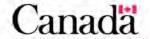
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