

7 ways to blog anonymously

1. Use an anonymous email account to register your blog. [Hushmail](#) is one free service that provides encrypted accounts; [RiseUp](#) is aimed at activists; [MintEmail](#) gives you a 3 hour temporary email address and [FilzMail](#) gives you one that expires after 24 hours. You could also use these to post to your blog via email. [Posterous](#) is a great blogging service that allows you to do this.

2. Make sure your IP address isn't logged when you register or post to the blog. You could use something like [Anonymizer](#) or [Tor](#) or [Psiphon](#). Other services that mask your IP are [listed on this forum](#).

3. Or you could use an anonymous blogging platform. [Invisiblog was one but](#) no longer exists. [BlogACause](#) claims to be "anonymous" but ~~I'm trying to find out exactly how~~ UPDATE: [here's how, apparently](#). In the meantime, [this post](#) recommends WordPress and something like Tor.

4. Use a pseudonym that you don't use anywhere else. If you use a pseudonym, don't use it on other services as well, as this will make it easier to trace you. If you're struggling, this [Random Name Generator](#) will create one for you.

5. If you're going to register a domain name do so anonymously with a service like [The Online Policy Group](#).

6. Be careful what information you include. Although police blogger NightJack changed or did not include names in cases he was involved in, the [details were specific enough for a journalist to track him down](#).

7. Don't win awards. Or book deals. It's safe to say that a major newspaper would not have been interested in the identities of NightJack or Girl With A One Track Mind if both had remained cult underground heroes. So just pretend you're sub-literate, OK?

For more information, the following guides go into much more detail:

- [How to blog safely](#) by the Electronic Frontier Foundation
- [Anonymous blogging with WordPress and Tor](#) by Ethan Zuckerman – and also by Ethan: [A Technical guide to anonymous blogging](#)
- [Hints and tips for whistleblowers](#) – covers everything online and offline
- [How to communicate securely in repressive environments](#) by iRevolution ([thanks Lisa Lynch](#))
- [How to hide emails from government snooping](#) by Jack Schofield