

## Why text messaging?

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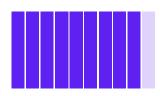
## Today's world is constantly connected.

Consumers use their mobile phones for everything they do with text messaging becoming the new way they communicate.



67%

of the world's population are mobile phone users



90%

of adults have their mobile phones within arm's reach 24/7



More than

5 hours

per day are spent by mobile phone users on their smartphones



98%

of smartphone users use text messaging on a regular basis



## Why text messaging?

Text messaging is the only channel that has an open rate of nearly 100%

#### **Increases visibility**

98% open rates for text messages compared to 15-20% for email

#### **Drives more engagement**

20% of texts are clicked through versus 2% of emails

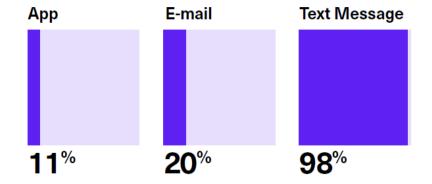
#### **Delivers better redemption rates**

Mobile coupons get 10x the redemption rate of traditional coupons

#### **Achieves fewer opt-outs**

Text messaging campaigns are opted out of less than 5% of the time.

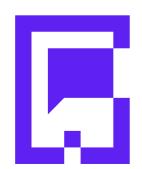
#### Open rates by channel





## Why text messaging?

### Text messaging drives more engagement



Open rates

98% of text messages are opened

Read rates

90% are read in under 3 minutes

Redemptions

10X
more likely to redeem mobile coupons than traditional printed coupons

**Purchases** 

79% of smartphone owners use their devices to buy products & services online



## **Uses for text messaging**

Regardless of the purpose, mobile messaging is the most effective way to communicate with your customers for marketing, transactions and customer service.

#### Marketing



#### **Awareness and Acquisition**

Let customers and potential customers know more about your brand and what you have to offer.



#### **Promotions and Offers**

Drive customer engagement by delivering personalized and timely digital promotional content that is easy to access and redeem.



#### **Loyalty and Rewards**

Generate digital, dynamic loyalty cards to simplify and increase redemption of rewards while improving customer retention.

#### **Transactions and Customer Service**



#### **Notifications, Alerts & Reminders**

Give customers full transparency at each stage of their customer journey and deliver information that provides a more seamless customer experience.



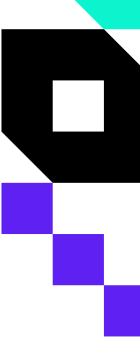
#### **Customer Care**

Make it easy for your customers to reach you at any time through their preferred mobile channel while increasing your operational efficiencies.



#### **Customer Feedback**

Give your customers a voice in real time to better understand how you can deliver the customer experience they expect.





## Increase your customer database

Acquire customer mobile subscriptions through acquisition strategies

#### **In-store signage**

Include a text call-to-actions within in-store signage

#### Website registration

Include a check-box on website registration forms for opt-in for mobile alerts

#### **Email**

Send out a dedicated email asking email subscribers to join mobile alerts

#### Social media

Leverage social channels for links to the website registration form or text call-to-actions



## How do I build a mobile database?

#### 10 creative ways to gain opt-in



#### Social media post:

"Receive \$5 off when you sign up for text message alerts!"



#### **Email:**

"Opt in and receive 25% off your next purchase."



#### In-Store sign:

Text 'STYLE' to 72238 and receive a special offer!



#### Web page sign-up:

"Sign up for text message and receive a mystery discount."



#### **Shipping statements:**

"Receive free shipping this month when you opt in to receive text messages."



#### TV Ad:

"Opt in for text message communication sand receive a BOGO product of your choice."



#### In-App push:

"Double reward points this month when you sign up to receive text messages!"



#### Radio:

"Opt in for text message alerts and enter our prize a day giveaway



#### Point-of-sale:

"Sign up for text message alerts and receive 10% off your entire purchase today."



#### App home page:

"Opt in for text messaging and receive VIP loyalty rewards!"



## **Best practices**

#### Some do's and don'ts

#### Do

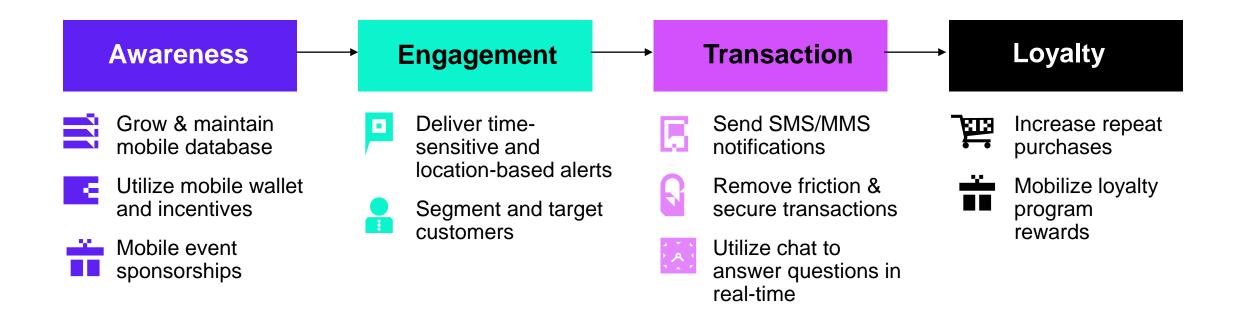
- Link to value-add content such as mobile wallet or web pages
- Engage in a conversation with your customers using 2-way SMS
- Send personalized, time-and-location based offers and promotions
- Add game-like elements to your messaging to keep it fun

#### Don't

- Send a book Keep your message short and sweet
- Over-deliver non-critical messages
- Send messages late at night or early in the morning
- Send messages to your customers that have opted out



# Harnessing mobile messaging throughout your customer's journey





## **Develop KPIs & monitor success**

