GoToMyPC and Mobile Voice Input

How to dictate copy to your Mac or PC through your mobile device

See that microphone key on the GoToMyPC mobile app keyboard? It means you can talk into your mobile device instead of typing, and your words will be sent as text to your host computer.

Figure 1 - iPhone

Figure 2 - Android

Key benefits

- Turns speech into text on your remote computer
- Replaces dictation app
- Faster than texting or typing

In other words, if your smartphone or tablet supports voice input, you can use it with the GoToMyPC app to dictate copy remotely.

What can I do with GoToMyPC and voice input?

GoToMyPC remote access software lets you access your Mac or PC from another desktop, laptop or mobile device – including an iPad, iPhone, Android phone or Android tablet. It gives you fast, easy and secure access to all of your files, programs and network, so you can work on the go and be productive from anywhere.

Pairing GoToMyPC with the voice input feature on a mobile device makes it even faster and more convenient to enter copy remotely.

• **Dictation** – Your spoken words go directly into your desired document on your remote computer. (There's no need for a separate dictation application.)

• **Email** – Dictating email makes sense because you talk faster than you text, but people read faster than they listen to voicemail.

• **Forms & Reports** – GoToMyPC gives you access to internal reporting systems from your mobile device. Fill in the blanks more quickly by dictating your information.

But it's not a voice assistant

Just to be clear, you cannot say "send email to Bob" and expect your host Mac or PC to send the message. We're only talking about voice input here. So you can create the email text by speaking aloud, but you have to manually click the Send button.

Still, combining voice input with GoToMyPC is pretty cool. If you were at the office and you wanted to dictate copy to your computer, you'd need additional software and hardware. But the mobile app lets you do it anywhere, with just your phone or tablet.

It may not "hear" you perfectly

Just like humans don't always understand what you're saying, your mobile device may not always transcribe your spoken words correctly. You may have to practice a bit to get the hang of speaking in a way your device will understand, and you may have to clean up a few misheard words with the manual keyboard. But in a pinch, it will get the idea across, saving you time and thumb strain.

How do I use voice input with GoToMyPC?

First, you'll need to have a mobile device that has voice input capability. Second, you'll need to have the GoToMyPC app downloaded on your device and a subscription or trial account of GoToMyPC installed on your host computer (see system requirements in the sidebar).
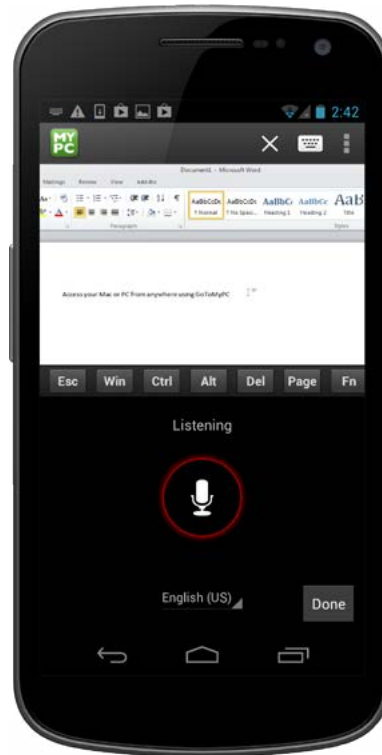
Figure 3 - iPhone

Figure 4 - Android

Once you're set up, here's how it works:

1. Connect to your host computer using the GoToMyPC app on your mobile device.

2. On your host computer, open a document or email and place the cursor where you want to add text.

3. Tap your screen simultaneously with 3 fingers to bring up the mobile keyboard.

4. (Android) Tap the microphone key and start talking. In a second, you'll see your text appear on the screen.
    (iOS) Tap the "abc" button above the keyboard to enter Preview mode.

5. (iOS) Tap Done and Send to finish the message.

Requirements

For your mobile device:

• Voice input capability
• iOS: 4.2 or newer
• Android: 2.3.3 or newer
• 1 Ghz or higher processor (recommended)

For the computers you wish to access:

• GoToMyPC subscription (free for 30 days at GoToMyPC.com)
• "Always on" Internet connection (cable, ISDN, DSL or better)
• PC: Windows 2000 or newer
• Mac: Mac OS X v10.5 (Leopard) or newer

Where do I get the free app?

Visit the App Store or Google Play to download the free GoToMyPC app. Please note that you'll need a subscription or trial account of GoToMyPC installed on your host computer to use the app.

About Citrix

Citrix is transforming how people, businesses and IT work and collaborate in the cloud era. Its portfolio of GoTo cloud services enable people to work from anywhere with anyone by providing simple-to-use cloud-based collaboration, remote access and IT support solutions for every type of business. Learn more at www.citrix.com and www.citrixonline.com.