

- [1] The creators of the app/protocol are continuing development/support of it.
For Open Source projects: has had a commit in the last year.
- [2] If a phone number or other permanent-ish identifier is required for using the platform
- [3] Are all chats end-to-end encrypted by default?
- [4] Has there been a third party audit on the overall end to end encryption protocol by a well known security research firm or academic institution.
- [5] This means there is an open source signed package available to a package manager that works on phones without Google Play. E.G. a reproducible F-Droid release.
- [6] Multi-device messaging: More than one device can be directly connected to a given account at the same time
- [7] If the receiving party does not have the client open; can you send them a message?
- [8] Do you need an actual phone to use the software? e.g. do you need to receive an SMS to sign up?
- [9] Multiple people can run their own servers and communicate between them. E-mail is an example of a federated network where gmail users can communicate with fastmail users
- [10] Is the protocol documented in a published IETF or other international standards body document?
Usually this column is "Does an RFC exist for the protocol"
- [11] Currently has NO support for connecting 2 people who aren't in Bluetooth range.
- [12] Actually serverless, but we default to the happy state for that.
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- [15] Serverless
- [16] Actually uses email servers.
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- [19] Ring is a set of open specs glued together. Some of the ways they are connected together are under-spec'd

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[26] As of 0.70.0

[27] Via jitsi meet. See <https://zulipchat.com/help/start-a-call>

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[30] In the US 2G downgrade requests must be honored which uses A5/1 encryption which has rainbow tables for the entire keyspace this fit in 2TB.

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[96] From https://about.psyc.eu/#Stay_in_touch

> There is no active development of the old federation PSYC1 technology, just maintenance.

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[98] Seems to have one active implementation. But author is of questionable sanity