

## YouTube Violation Checker Guide

YouTube enforces **strict community guidelines** and content policies. If your video is flagged for a violation, you need to **identify the issue quickly** to **avoid penalties like demonetization, age restrictions, or strikes**. This guide will help you **check for violations, understand warnings, and fix flagged content**.

### Step 1: Check for Policy Violations in YouTube Studio

✅ **How to Check if Your Video Has a Violation:**

- 1 Go to [YouTube Studio](#) and sign in.
- 2 Click **"Content"** in the left menu.
- 3 Look at the **"Restrictions"** column for any warnings:

- ⚠️ **Age Restriction (Yellow Warning)**
  - 💰 **Demonetization (Yellow Dollar Sign)**
  - 🚫 **Video Takedown (Red Strike)**
- 4 Click on the flagged video for **detailed violation info**.

 **Pro Tip:** If flagged, do NOT delete the video immediately—you may be able to fix the issue.

### Step 2: Understand Different Types of Violations

Violation Type	What It Means	How to Fix
● Age Restriction	Video is only available to <b>signed-in users 18+</b> . It won't appear in recommendations.	Blur visuals, remove flagged words, or appeal if unfairly flagged.
● Demonetization (Limited Ads 💰❌)	Video is still visible, but <b>YouTube has disabled ad revenue</b> .	Remove flagged words, reword metadata, censor visuals, then request a review.
● Video Takedown (Strike or Removal 🚫)	Video was <b>removed completely</b> for violating YouTube's Community Guidelines.	Appeal if you're sure you did NOT violate the community guidelines or, re-upload an edited version.

 **Pro Tip:** Three strikes in 90 days = Permanent channel deletion.

### Step 3: Fix & Appeal Violations

✅ **If Age-Restricted:**

- **Blur or censor cannabis visuals** (plants, products, consumption).
- **Remove flagged words from the title, description, and tags.**
- **Request an appeal** if you believe the restriction is unfair.

### ✅ If Demonetized:

- **Check YouTube's monetization policy** for advertiser-friendly content.
- **Re-edit captions to remove flagged words.**
- **Submit for manual review** after making changes.

### ✅ If Your Video Was Removed (Strike):

- 1 **Check YouTube's exact reason for removal.**
- 2 **Edit & re-upload a compliant version** (if removal was justified).
- 3 **Submit an appeal** if you believe it was an error.

📄 **Pro Tip:** Always rewatch your video before appealing to ensure compliance.

## 🚀 Final Thoughts: How to Prevent Future Flags

- ✓ **Always check your video for flagged words & visuals before uploading.**
- ✓ **Use safe keywords & blur risky content.**
- ✓ **Monitor your YouTube Studio dashboard for any restrictions.**
- ✓ **Appeal violations when necessary but make edits first if needed.**

By following this **step-by-step guide**, you can **quickly identify, fix, and prevent YouTube violations** while keeping your videos **compliant and monetized**.

🚀 **Use this guide before every upload to protect your channel!**