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Commander Phone User Guide



Business specialists



Instant activation



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Welcome to Commander Phone

Thanks for choosing Commander for your Hosted Phone System. This guide is designed to prepare you for your upcoming installation and help you make the most of your new Commander Phone services.

This guide also features important numbers you can contact if you need any help.

Please note, this guide is only for Commander Phone. If you need help setting up NBN Business Line or Commander SIP phone services, please contact us on 132 777.

See the [Critical Information Summary](#) for information on relevant charges:
Visit our website for full lists of rates and charges:
www.commander.com.au/legal/customer-terms

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What is Commander phone?

Commander Phone is a fully featured cloud-based phone system, giving you all the power of a larger business phone solution without onsite servers or hardware.

You can access your phone services using one of our IP handsets, or go handset-free with our desktop app to make and receive calls from your computer or mobile apps. And of course, you can bring your current numbers with you.

Flexible and Scalable

Your Commander Phone solution can grow and change with your business, and even works across multiple sites. You also get access to [Command Central](#), which lets you configure most of your phone system features through an easy to use web interface

Easy to install

All you need is an active internet connection and a power supply. Our handsets configure themselves, so once you plug them in you are ready to go.

Advanced Phone Features

With Commander Phone you have access to a range of great phone system features without the hassle and expense of traditional PBX phone systems:

- Transfer calls between your numbers or outside the organisation
- Place customers on hold
- Set up hunt groups, so that calls coming into your business ring on multiple phones
- Set up an auto receptionist, which lets customers press a button to get through to certain people or departments
- Set up music on hold or have announcements play to your customers while they wait
- Use your phones as intercoms to make announcements and page others
- Park calls so they can be picked up on other phones
- Set up fax to email to receive incoming faxes via your email; and
- Set up voicemail to email to receive incoming voice messages via your email

Site Readiness

Whether you are installing your Commander Phone handsets yourself or have opted for a Commander Professional Install, there are some key things that will make the process as smooth as possible on the day of activation. Decide where you want to position your handsets and make sure there are data cables running from your modem/router/switch to those locations. This service runs over the internet, so ensure that your cables are data cables that are (or will be) connected to the internet. Also, our handsets require power, so make sure there are spare power points too. If your ethernet network has Power over Ethernet, you don't need to worry about the power points, as the handsets can operate by using power via the ethernet cable (PoE).

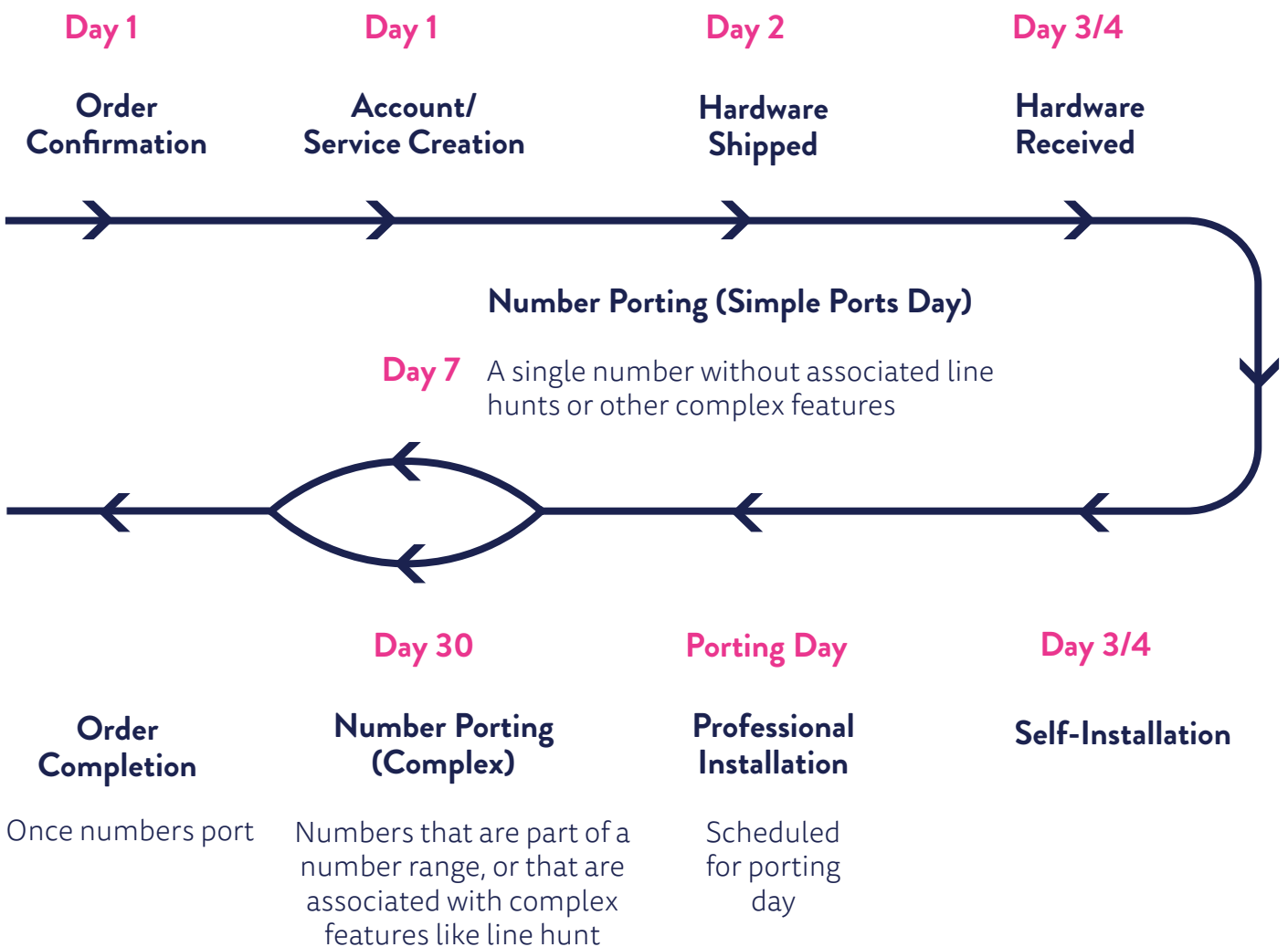
Professional Install Customers

Our technician will arrive to install and set up your handsets. Whilst they can do cabling work for an extra charge, it's often handy to ensure you have data points ready to go at each workstation before they arrive.

Our Commander Phone handsets support ethernet passthrough, which means that if your computer needs an ethernet cable to connect to the network, it can connect to the ethernet port on the back of your handset, reducing the need for multiple data points at each desk.

Activation Steps

We will update you via SMS and email every step of the way throughout your activation journey:



Number porting timeframes can vary depending on several factors.

Commander Phone Users

Extensions

Each phone or app user has an extension number which you may have noticed when looking at the screens and setting up your users in Command Central. Default extension numbers start with a 2 and the last 3 digits of that service's phone number. So, if the phone number is 03 9999 1234 the default extension is 2234. You can use extensions to quickly dial internal users rather than remembering the full phone number. Extension numbers can be changed in [Command Central](#).

Handsets

Commander Phone customers can access their services via IP Handsets or apps called Softphone Clients. IP Handsets are different to standard PBX handsets in that they connect to the internet and log in to our Commander Phone Hosted PBX servers.

We have a range of IP Handsets to suit different types of businesses.

Details of our handsets can be found on our [website](#) and guides on how to use them are available in our online [support pages](#).

Soft Phones Client apps

Services can also be accessed using PC or Smart Phone apps, enabling you to make calls without a physical IP handset.

The apps can be combined with headsets to provide a user-friendly experience over the computer or mobile phone.

The Commander Smart UC App for mobiles is available on Apple App Store and Google Play. To use the app, please contact us on 132777 to have the Mobile App feature added to your service. There is a low monthly fee for this service that our team can discuss with you.

The Commander PC and Mac Softphone Clients are available for download from the Commander support pages and don't require any features or charges to be added.

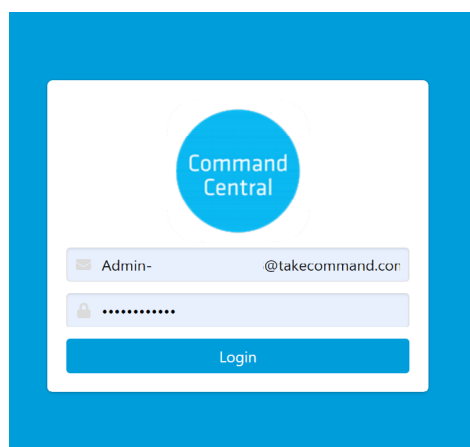
Refer to the email we sent with the subject "Commander Phone – Your Phone and Administrator Details" for usernames and passwords required to use the app.

Command Central

Command Central is a powerful web-based app that can be used to configure your Commander Phone system. There are two types of logins for Command Central – Admin and User. Admins have access to configure any user plus group wide features and settings.

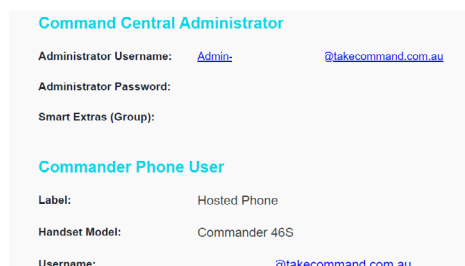
Step 1

[Click here](#) to open Command Central or type <http://commandcentral.commander.com> into your web browser.



Step 2

Log in with the administrator details sent to you by email. The subject of the email was “Commander Phone – Your Phone and Administrator Details”



If you cannot find your login details, please contact us on 132777.

Important Information

Your Commander Phone will be set up and ready to go when you receive it. If you want to make any changes to the buttons on your phone, these should be made through Command Central to ensure you don't lose any of your preconfigured settings. As always, if you need help please call us on 132777.

First Time Setup

Once you've logged in, you'll see the main dashboard. From here you can see all the users in your group, run calling reports and configure different features at both the user and group level. One of the most important things to do when you first log in to Command Central, is set up your departments (if applicable) and name your users. This will be important when it comes to setting things up like Hunt Groups later.

The screenshot shows the Command Central Admin dashboard. The header includes the Command Central logo, the text "Command Central (Admin-)", the email address "@takecommand.com.au", a search icon, and "My Account". The main content area is titled "Dashboard" and is divided into four columns of configuration options, each with a search bar at the top.

- Reports:** Auto Receptionist, Call Center Agent Report, Premium Call Records, User Call Report, User Report.
- Group Services:** Auto Receptionist, Call Park, Call Pickup, Cloud Q, Hunt Group, Meet-Me Conferencing, Music On Hold.
- User Services:** Call Forwarding Always, Call Forwarding Busy, Call Forwarding No Answer, Call Forwarding Not Reachable, Calling Line ID Delivery Blocking, Outgoing Calling Plans, Speed Dial 8, Voice Messaging.
- Management:** Administrators, Announcements, Business Profile, Call Processing Policy, Calling Plans, Comm Barring, Common Phone List, Custom Directory, Departments, Device Management, Directory, Feature Access Codes, Network Class of Service, Schedules, Users, Viewable Packs.
- Users:** EFTPOS Line, Front Desk, Lee Mitchell, Lisa Clarke, Sam Jones.

If you want to group your telephone users into teams or departments, create these first. If you don't want to create teams or departments, skip this step.

You can also set the outbound Call Line Identification number for individual users. Many businesses want the outbound CLID to appear as the main business phone number, regardless of who's making the call. You can also set up your business schedules which will be used when configuring different features later.

Creating a Team or Department

Step 1

Open the main dashboard and click **Departments**

The screenshot shows the Command Central Admin dashboard. The top navigation bar includes the Command Central logo, the text "Command Central (Admin)", the email address "@takecommand.com.au", a search icon, and "My Account". Below the navigation bar, the word "Dashboard" is displayed. The main content area is divided into four columns of menu items, each with a search bar at the top. The "Management" column has the "Departments" item highlighted with a pink border. The other columns are "Reports", "Group Services", "User Services", and "Users".

Reports	Group Services	Management	Users
Auto Receptionist	Auto Receptionist	Administrators	EFTPOS Line
Call Center Agent Report	Call Park	Announcements	Front Desk
Premium Call Records	Call Pickup	Business Profile	Lee Mitchell
User Call Report	Cloud Q	Call Processing Policy	Lisa Clarke
User Report	Hunt Group	Calling Plans	Sam Jones
	Meet-Me Conferencing	Comm Barring	
	Music On Hold	Common Phone List	
		Custom Directory	
		Departments	
		Device Management	
		Directory	
		Feature Access Codes	
		Network Class of Service	
		Schedules	
		Users	
		Viewable Packs	

Step 2

Then click the plus symbol on the top right-hand corner to add your departments one by one.

The screenshot shows the "Departments" page in the Command Central Admin interface. The top navigation bar is the same as in the previous screenshot. Below the navigation bar, the breadcrumb "Dashboard / Departments" is visible. The main content area has a header "Departments" with a plus sign icon in the top right corner. Below the header is a search bar. Underneath the search bar is a table with three columns: "Name", "CLID Name", and "CLID Number". The table contains one row with the value "Sales" in both the "Name" and "CLID Name" columns.

Name	CLID Name	CLID Number
Sales	Sales	

Once you have set up your departments, you're ready to set up your users.

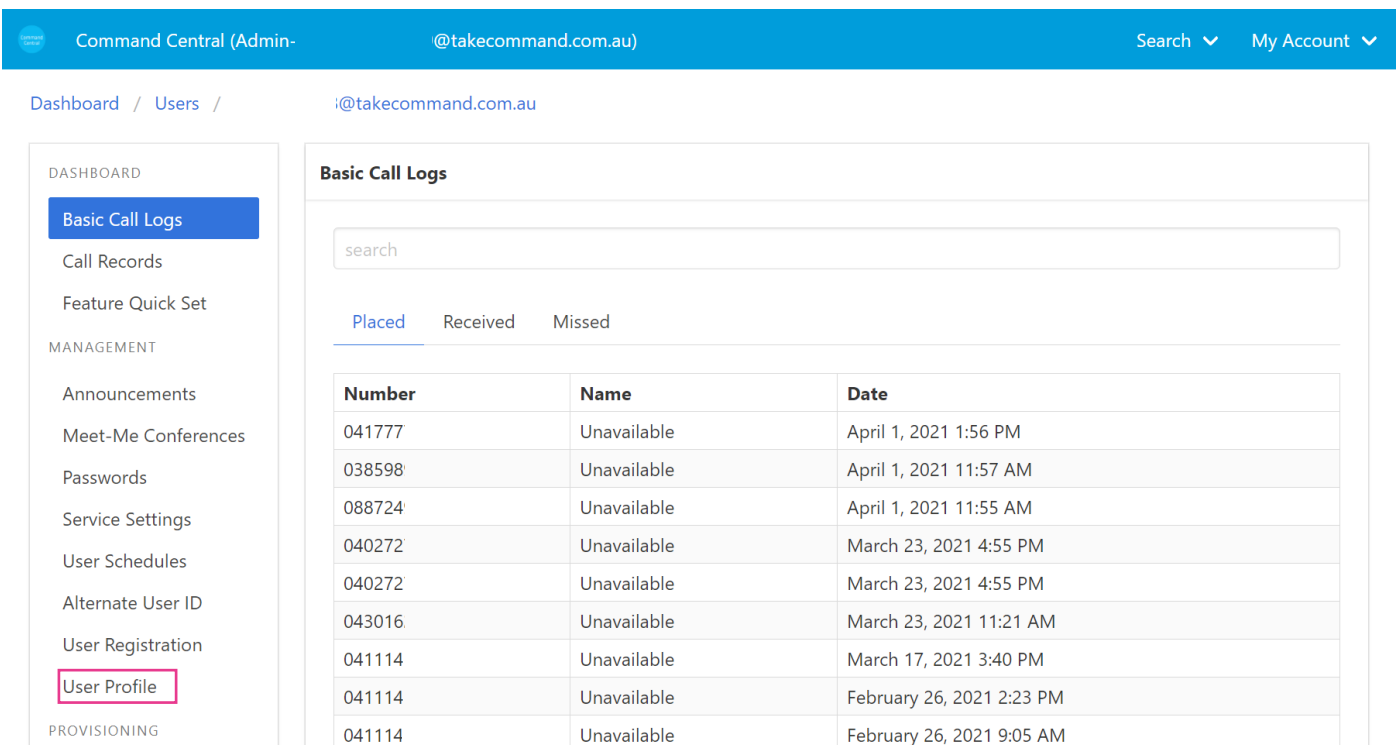
There are different ways to identify which user in the list belongs to which number or handset. If you are using Commander Phone IP Handsets you can plug them in and power them on. You'll see a 4-digit extension number on the screen. This will match back to the details in Command Central.

Step 1

Open the **Dashboard** and click on a User in the User List

Step 2

In the menu on the left-hand side of the screen, click on **User Profile**



The screenshot shows the Command Central Admin interface. The top navigation bar is blue and contains the text "Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au)", a search icon, and "My Account". Below the navigation bar, the breadcrumb "Dashboard / Users / @takecommand.com.au" is visible. On the left side, there is a sidebar menu with categories: DASHBOARD (Basic Call Logs, Call Records, Feature Quick Set), MANAGEMENT (Announcements, Meet-Me Conferences, Passwords, Service Settings, User Schedules, Alternate User ID, User Registration, User Profile), and PROVISIONING. The "User Profile" item is highlighted with a red box. The main content area is titled "Basic Call Logs" and features a search input field. Below the search field are three tabs: "Placed", "Received", and "Missed". The "Placed" tab is active, displaying a table with three columns: "Number", "Name", and "Date".

Number	Name	Date
041777	Unavailable	April 1, 2021 1:56 PM
038598	Unavailable	April 1, 2021 11:57 AM
088724	Unavailable	April 1, 2021 11:55 AM
040272	Unavailable	March 23, 2021 4:55 PM
040272	Unavailable	March 23, 2021 4:55 PM
043016	Unavailable	March 23, 2021 11:21 AM
041114	Unavailable	March 17, 2021 3:40 PM
041114	Unavailable	February 26, 2021 2:23 PM
041114	Unavailable	February 26, 2021 9:05 AM

Step 3

You'll see the details for the service on the right-hand side of the window. Match the extension numbers to your handsets and then name them by clicking on the cog on the top right-hand corner and editing the fields.

Enter the First Name and Last Name for identifying the user in Command Central and the Call Line Identification (CLID) First Name and Last Name which will be presented to other users when that extension makes a call.

Profile	
User ID	@takecommand.com.au
Phone Number	03
Extension	2686
First Name	Lee
Last Name	Mitchell
CLID First Name	Lee
CLID Last Name	Mitchell
CLID Phone Number	
Department	Sales
Title	
Mobile	

Edit Profile	
First Name	Lee
Last Name	Mitchell
CLID First Name	Lee
CLID Last Name	Mitchell
Department	Sales
Timezone	(GMT+10:00) Australia/Sydney
Language	Australian
Network Class of Service	
Title	

Step 4

If you want this user to be part of a department, select the department from the department dropdown list.

Edit Profile ✕

First Name	<input type="text" value="Lee"/>
Last Name	<input type="text" value="Mitchell"/>
CLID First Name	<input type="text" value="Lee"/>
CLID Last Name	<input type="text" value="Mitchell"/>
Department	<input style="border: 1px solid #e91e63;" type="text" value="Sales"/>
Timezone	<input type="text" value="(GMT+10:00) Australia/Sydney"/>
Language	<input type="text" value="Australian"/>
Network Class of Service	<input type="text"/>
Title	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	<input type="text"/>

Cancel
Save

Step 5

Click **Save**

If you have an NBN Business Line service on the same account for devices such as faxes or EFTPOS machines, they will also appear in the list. You can usually tell them apart as they won't have an extension number. Give them a name so that your user list is kept up to date and you can identify them later.

Once you've named all your users you will see the names on your dashboard, and this will make it much simpler to configure features in the future.

Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au)
Search ▾ My Account

Dashboard

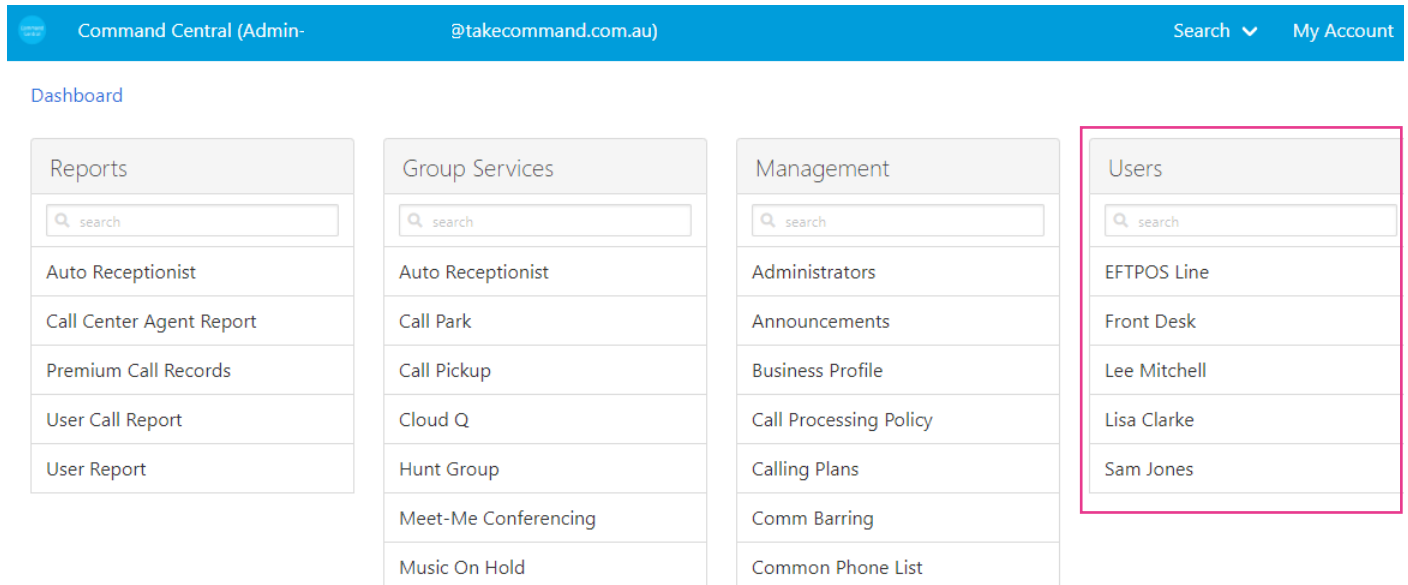
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Setting Call Line Identification Numbers for Users

If you'd like to change the outbound Call Line Identification Number (CLID) for your users, follow these steps.

Step 1

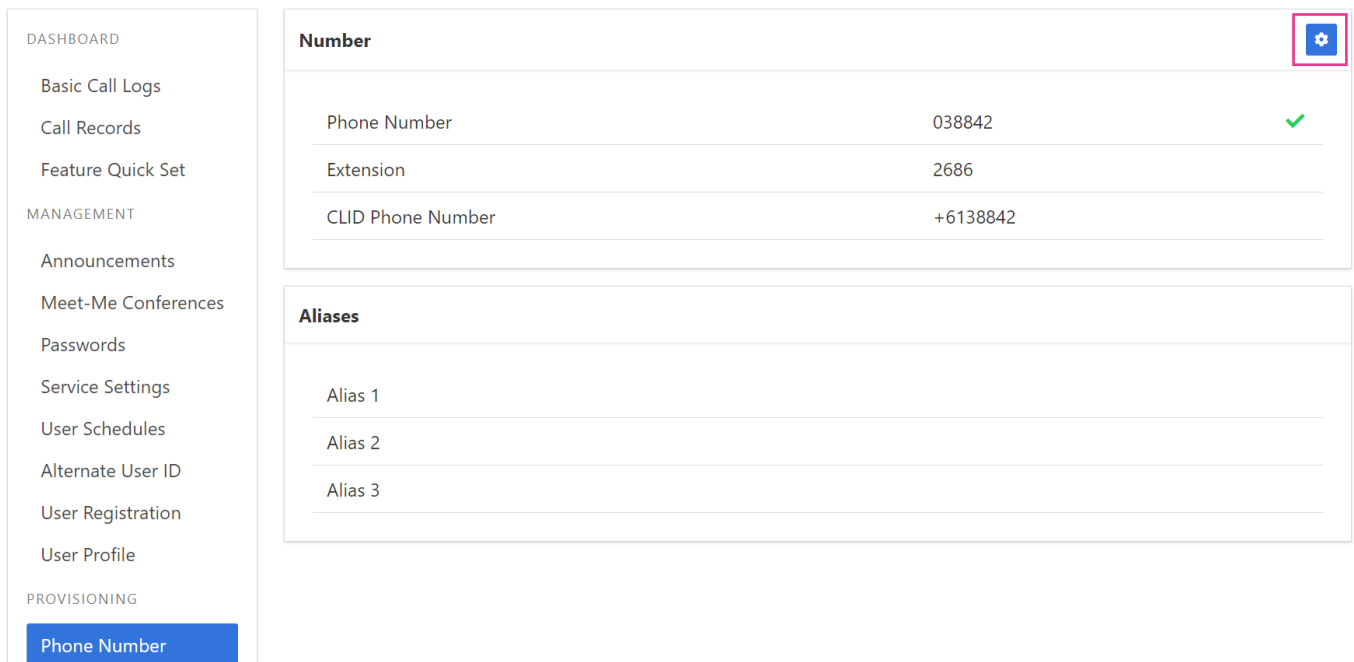
In the **Dashboard**, click on the user you'd like to update.



The screenshot shows the Command Central Admin Dashboard. The top navigation bar includes the Command Central logo, the text "Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au)", a search icon, and "My Account". Below the navigation bar, the "Dashboard" section is visible. It contains four main menu categories: Reports, Group Services, Management, and Users. The "Users" category is highlighted with a pink border. The "Users" menu lists: EFTPOS Line, Front Desk, Lee Mitchell, Lisa Clarke, and Sam Jones.

Step 2

Click on **Phone Number** in the left-hand menu. Then click the cog in the top right-hand corner of the window.



The screenshot shows the "Phone Number" configuration page. On the left is a navigation menu with sections: DASHBOARD, MANAGEMENT, and PROVISIONING. The "Phone Number" option under PROVISIONING is highlighted in blue. The main content area is titled "Number" and contains a table with the following data:

Field	Value	Status
Phone Number	038842	✓
Extension	2686	
CLID Phone Number	+6138842	

Below the table is an "Aliases" section with three input fields labeled "Alias 1", "Alias 2", and "Alias 3". A settings cog icon is highlighted in a red box in the top right corner of the main content area.

Step 3

The **Edit Number** window will appear. Click the cog beside CLID Phone Number and a list of phone numbers to choose from will appear.

Edit Number ✕

Number
03884. ⚙️

Extension
2686

CLID Phone Number
+613884 ⚙️

Cancel Save

Select a Phone Number (9) ✕

search

--NONE--
+61-38525
+61-38842
+61-38842
+61-38842
+61-38842
+61-38842
+61-38842
+61-38842
+61-38842
+6138842 ✓

Cancel

Step 4

Choose the number you'd like to appear as the outgoing CLID for the user.

Edit Number ✕

Number
0388 5 ⚙️

Extension
2686

CLID Phone Number
+61388427686 ⚙️

Cancel Save

Step 5

Click **Save**

- DASHBOARD
 - Basic Call Logs
 - Call Records
 - Feature Quick Set
- MANAGEMENT
 - Announcements
 - Meet-Me Conferences
 - Passwords
 - Service Settings
 - User Schedules
 - Alternate User ID
 - User Registration
 - User Profile
- PROVISIONING
 - Phone Number**
 - Device Endpoint
 - Viewable Packs

User Updated ✕

Number		
Phone Number	038842	✓
Extension	2686	
CLID Phone Number	+613884.	

Aliases	
Alias 1	
Alias 2	
Alias 3	

Call Forwarding Not Reachable

Because Commander Phone works over the internet and the handsets require power to operate, it's important that you set up Call Forwarding Not Reachable for your users. A service or handset is not reachable when it's not registered on the server, which can happen during internet faults or power outages. We recommend setting Call Forward No Reachable for all your users and hunt groups. Setting a mobile number for your not reachable destination will help to keep your business online if your handsets aren't registered.

Follow these steps to set up **Call Forwarding Not Reachable** for individual users.

Step 1

In each individual user's user menu, click on **Service Settings**.

Step 2

Click on **Call Forwarding Not Reachable**.

[Dashboard](#) / [Users](#) /

[@takecommand.com.au](#)

DASHBOARD

- Basic Call Logs
- Call Records
- Feature Quick Set

MANAGEMENT

- Announcements
- Meet-Me Conferences
- Passwords
- Service Settings**
- User Schedules
- Alternate User ID
- User Registration
- User Profile

PROVISIONING

- Phone Number
- Device Endpoint
- Viewable Packs


Configure Services

Filter Results

Name	Description	Active
Call Forwarding Always	Call Forwarding Always	×
Call Forwarding Busy	Call Forwarding Busy	×
Call Forwarding No Answer	Call Forwarding No Answer	×
Call Forwarding Not Reachable	Call Forwarding Not Reachable	×
Call Forwarding Selective	Call Forwarding Selective	×
Call Transfer	Call Transfer	—
Call Waiting	Call Waiting	✓
Calling Line ID Delivery Blocking	Calling Line ID Delivery Blocking	×
External Calling Line ID Delivery	External Calling Line ID Delivery	✓
Internal Calling Line ID Delivery	Internal Calling Line ID Delivery	✓

Step 3

Click the cog on the top right hand corner of the window to edit the settings


Call Forwarding Not Reachable 

Is Active ✕

Forward to Phone Number

Step 4

Tick to activate and then enter the phone number you'd like to forward calls to if the handset can't register

Edit Settings 

General Settings

Is Active

Forward To

04 - Your Number

Step 5

Click **Save**

Follow these steps to set up Call Forwarding Not Reachable for your hunt groups. If you haven't yet set up your hunt groups, see the Hunt Groups feature setup in the next section.

Step 1

Open the **Dashboard** then click **Hunt Group**

Dashboard

Reports	Group Services	Management	Users
<input type="text" value="search"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auto Receptionist Call Center Agent Report Premium Call Records User Call Report User Report 	<input type="text" value="search"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auto Receptionist Call Park Call Pickup Cloud Q Hunt Group Meet-Me Conferencing Music On Hold 	<input type="text" value="search"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administrators Announcements Business Profile Call Processing Policy Calling Plans Comm Barring Common Phone List 	<input type="text" value="search"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EFTPOS Line Front Desk Lee Mitchell Lisa Clarke Sam Jones

Step 2

Click on the **Hunt Group** you want to set up Call Forwarding Not Reachable for.

Dashboard / Hunt Group

Hunt Group

ID	Name	Number	Extension	Department	Active
testFred123@takecommand.com.au	testFred123	028072	9540		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Step 3

Click on **Settings** in the left-hand menu, then click the cog in the top right-hand corner.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUNT GROUP Agents Profile Settings REPORTING Basic Call Records Premium Call Records PROVISIONING Announcements Call Policies Service Settings Utilities 	<p>Settings</p> <p>General Settings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allow Call Waiting on Agents <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Allow Members to Control Busy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enable Group Busy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Group Policy Regular Network Class of Service <p>No Answer Settings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skip on No Answer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> After 2 Rings Forward After Timeout <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Edit Settings ✕

Group Policy: Regular ▼

Network Class of Service: ▼

No Answer Settings

Skip on No Answer

Skip After Rings: 2

Forward After Timeout

Not Reachable Settings

Enable Call Forwarding Not Reachable

Forward To: Not reachable number here

Calling Line ID Settings

Use the system default CLID configuration

Cancel Save

Step 4

Tick the **Enable Call Forwarding Not Reachable** check box and then enter the number you want to forward calls to in the Forward To box.

Step 5

Click **Save**

Setting Up Schedules

Schedules are used to automatically control features and calls based on the time of day, time of week or holiday times. They can be used to set different **Auto Receptionist** greetings, set up after hours diversions and more. We recommend setting these up before you start setting up your other features.

Many users create 2 or more schedules, a business hours schedule and an after hours schedule.

Step 1

Open the **Dashboard** then click **Schedule**

Dashboard

<p>Reports</p> <input type="text" value="search"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auto Receptionist Call Center Agent Report Premium Call Records User Call Report User Report 	<p>Group Services</p> <input type="text" value="search"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auto Receptionist Call Park Call Pickup Cloud Q Hunt Group Meet-Me Conferencing Music On Hold 	<p>Management</p> <input type="text" value="search"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administrators Announcements Business Profile Call Processing Policy Calling Plans Comm Barring Common Phone List Custom Directory Departments Device Management Directory Feature Access Codes Network Class of Service Schedules Users 	<p>Users</p> <input type="text" value="search"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EFTPOS Line Front Desk Lee Mitchell Lisa Clarke Sam Jones
	<p>User Services</p> <input type="text" value="search"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call Forwarding Always Call Forwarding Busy Call Forwarding No Answer Call Forwarding Not Reachable Calling Line ID Delivery Blocking 		

Step 2

Click the **plus icon**.

Dashboard / Schedules

Schedules +

All Holiday Time

Name	Type	Level
After Hours	Time	Group
Business Hours	Time	Group

Step 3

Enter your first schedule details. In this example we are setting up a Business Hours schedule. Type a name and select **Time** as the type.

Edit Settings



Name

Type

Cancel

Save

You will now see the schedule details screen.

Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au) Search My Account

Dashboard / Schedules / Business Hours

Details

Name	Business Hours
Type	Time

Events

Name	Start Time	Duration	Recurrence
Weekdays	May 10, 2021 9:00 AM	8 hours	every weekday

You can set the times for this schedule by adding Events.

Step 4

Click the **plus button** in the **Events panel**.

Step 5

Enter your business hours into the screen, including a name for the new event. If your business hours are the same on multiple days, you only need to do this once. If you have different business hours on different days, you can create multiple events for each day.

For example, in the screen shot below we are configuring our business hours as 9am to 5pm Monday through to Friday. If you were open longer on Thursday, you would not select Thursday in the list and you would repeat this process with a separate event for Thursday.

Edit Event

Event Name: Options: All Day Event

Starts At: Ends At:

Repeats: Weekly Every 1 Weeks

Weekly On

- Sunday
- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday
- Friday

Step 6

Click **Save** and you will see the new event in the event list. To create more events , simply repeat the process above.

Name	Start Time	Duration	Recurrence
Weekdays	May 10, 2021 9:00 AM	8 hours	every weekday

There are two common ways schedules are used.

1. You can assign them to your Auto Receptionist, so you may have a different voice menu for business hours vs after hours. See how to set this up in the Auto Receptionist section [page 37](#)
2. You can forward calls to hunt groups or individual users during your after-hours schedule. For example, you may want calls to the sales hunt group number to divert to a mobile phone after hours. See how to set this up for Hunt Groups in the Hunt Groups section. Follow a similar process for individual users, except find the **Call Forward Selective Caller** feature in the **user service settings** menu.

Feature Setup

Hunt Groups

Hunt groups automatically direct calls coming into your business to multiple handsets in preset configurations. They are extremely flexible and can ensure that calls are distributed correctly among your users. There are different types of Hunt Groups.

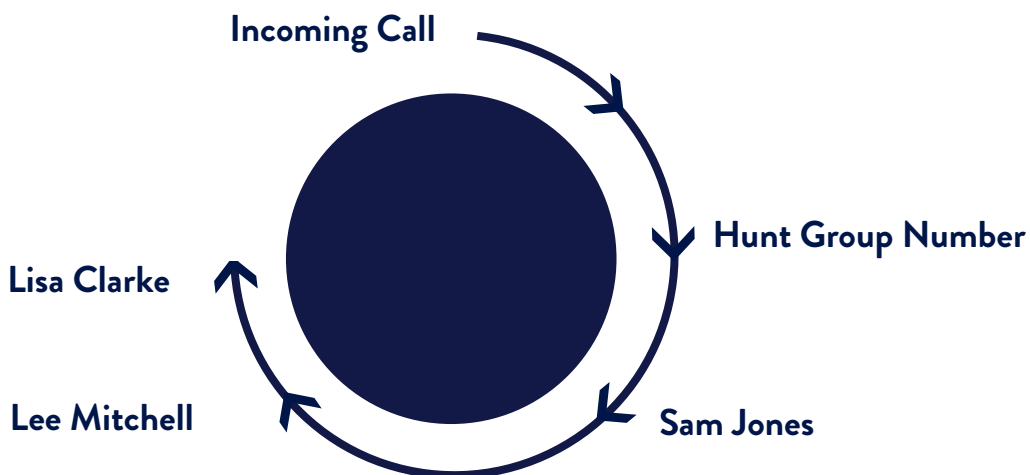
Regular (linear)

The incoming calls to the group start hunting on the first user in the list and hunt all the provisioned users sequentially, until an idle user is found, or the end of the list is reached.



Circular

The incoming calls to the group start hunting with the user following the last user to receive a call. When the end of the list is reached, the hunting circles back to the first user in the list. The hunting ends when an idle user is found, or all the users have been visited.



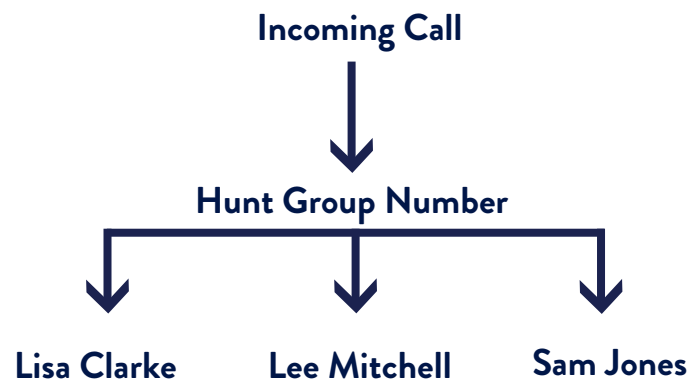
Uniform

The incoming calls to the group are presented to the user that has been idle for the longest time.



Simultaneous

The incoming calls alert all idle users in the group. The call is connected to the first user to answer the call.



Weighted

The incoming calls alert agents in a pseudo-random fashion according to their relative weight. Agents with a higher weight are assigned more incoming calls than agents with lower weights.



Hunt groups have their own phone and extension numbers and businesses usually set their main incoming number as their hunt group if they don't have a dedicated receptionist. If your hunt group has been set up on the wrong business number, you can contact us and have it switched over.

We provide a hunt group to your business as a standard feature and we automatically configure it as a simultaneous hunt group with all the handsets/numbers that you purchased in your first order assigned. This means that the included hunt group, when called, will automatically make all your handsets/numbers ring at the same time. Use the instructions below to modify those initial settings if you desire.

Hunt Group Example

Let's look at this simple phone system configuration and identify the most suitable hunt group. The business is a small real estate firm. There's a front desk that's manned by a receptionist most of the time and a sales department with 3 sales reps.



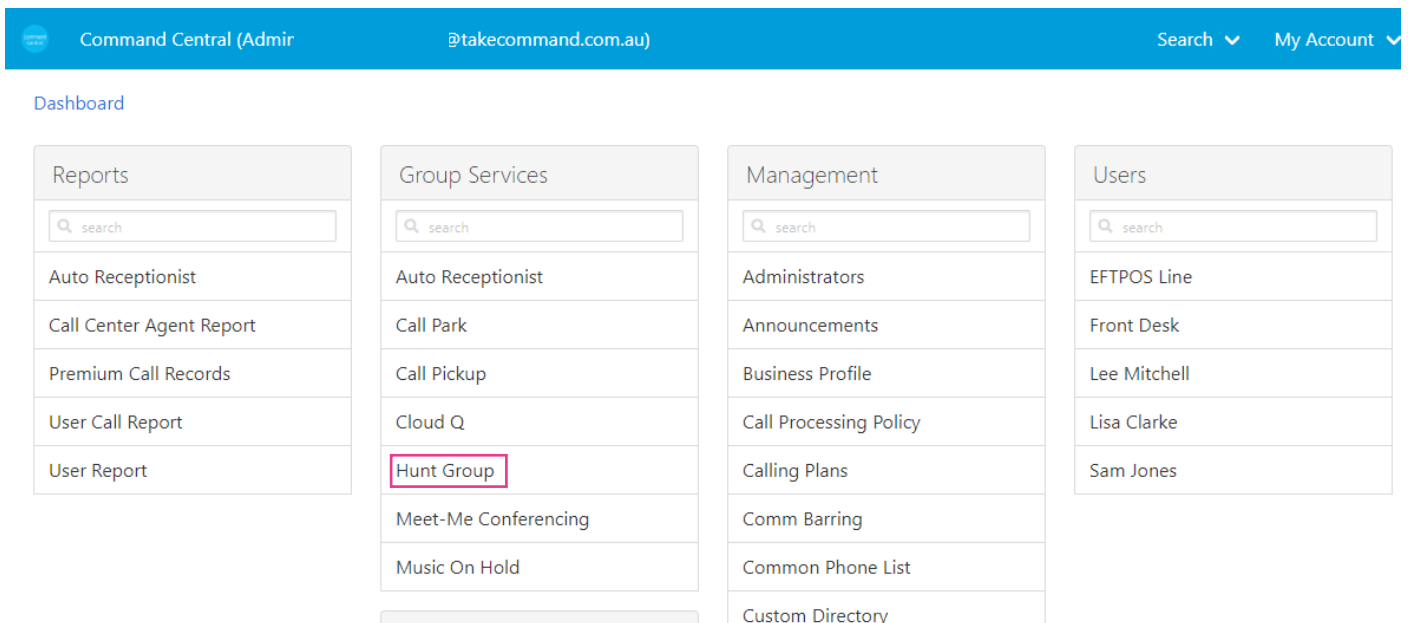
To ensure that all incoming calls have the best chance of being answered, a hunt group is configured on the main business number. It will be set up to try the 'Front Desk' first, and if it's busy or unavailable, it will then hunt to the sales reps automatically. This hunt group would be set up as a Regular (linear) configuration.



Let's see how this configuration would be set up in Command Central:

Step 1

On the main **Dashboard**, click on **Hunt Group** in the **Group Services** menu.



If you've already added your hunt group to your account, then you'll see it in this list. If not, please contact us on 132777 to have it added. Once it's in the list you can either deactivate or activate it.

Hunt Group

ID	Name	Number	Extension	Department	Active
testFred123@takecommand.com.au	testFred123	028072	9540		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Step 2

In this example the hunt group has been set up on the main incoming phone number. Click on the hunt group to configure it.

The first thing we need to do is add agents to the hunt group. This will determine which users the calls are distributed to. Click on the **Agent** button on the top right-hand corner of the window.

HUNT GROUP

- Agents**
- Profile
- Settings

REPORTING

- Basic Call Records
- Premium Call Records

Agents

User ID	Last Name	First Name	Number	Department
@takecommand.com.au	Clarke	Lisa	+61-38842	Sales
@takecommand.com.au	Desk	Front	+61-38842	
@takecommand.com.au	Jones	Sam	+61-38842	Sales

You can see the available agents on the left-hand selection box. This is where naming the users comes in handy as we can now see each user by name making it much easier to figure out where they belong in the hunt group.

Edit Assigned Agents

Available (5) [Select All](#) Selected (0)

- EFTPOS Line @takecommand.com.au
- Lisa Clarke @takecommand.com.au
- Sam Jones @takecommand.com.au
- Front Desk @takecommand.com.au
- Lee Mitchell @takecommand.com.au

No Users Selected

Step 3

Simply click on the users in the order you want the calls to hunt to them and they will populate into the right-hand side. If you make a mistake with the order of the agents it's no problem, you can move them up and down the list with the arrows that appear by the name. Click **Save** when you are done.

Edit Assigned Agents ✕

Available (1) Select All Selected (4) Select All

search search

HPS0297837@takecommand.com.au	HPS0328884@takecommand.com.au
	HPS0302830@takecommand.com.au
	HPS0336088@takecommand.com.au
	HPS0318777@takecommand.com.au

Cancel Save

Step 4

Click on **Settings** in the menu on the left hand side.

HUNT GROUP

- Agents
- Profile
- Settings**

REPORTING

- Basic Call Records
- Premium Call Records

PROVISIONING

- Announcements
- Call Policies
- Service Settings
- Utilities

CALLING PLANS

- Incoming Calling Plan

Settings ⚙️

General Settings

Allow Call Waiting on Agents	✓
Allow Members to Control Busy	✓
Enable Group Busy	✗
Group Policy	Regular
Network Class of Service	

No Answer Settings

Skip on No Answer	✓ After 2 Rings
Forward After Timeout	✗

Not Reachable Settings

Enable Call Forwarding Not Reachable	✗
Make busy when not reachable	✗

Changing Hunt Group settings

If you want to change the way your calls come in, click the cog on the top right-hand corner and change the **Group Policy** to change the hunt setting. Refer to the types of hunt groups on [page 23](#) to choose the setting that's right for your business.

Edit Settings
✕

General Settings

Allow Call Waiting on Agents

Allow Members to Control Busy

Enable Group Busy

Group Policy
Regular
▼

Network Class of Service

▼

No Answer Settings

Skip on No Answer

Skip After Rings
2

Forward After Timeout

Not Reachable Settings

Enable Call Forwarding Not Reachable

Cancel
Save

You can also set the number of rings before jumping to the next user in the **No Answer Settings**

Hunt Group After Hours Schedule

If you'd like calls to your hunt group number to be forwarded somewhere else after hours, you first need to set your schedules up in the main Dashboard. Follow the instructions on [page 16](#)

Step 1

Click on **Service Settings**

Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au)
Search ▼ My Account ▼

Dashboard / Hunt Group / @takecommand.com.au

HUNT GROUP

- Agents
- Profile
- Settings

REPORTING

- Basic Call Records
- Premium Call Records

PROVISIONING

- Announcements
- Call Policies
- Service Settings
- Utilities

Configure Services

Name ▼	Description	Active
Anonymous Call Rejection	Anonymous Call Rejection	✕
Call Forwarding Always	Call Forwarding Always	✕
Call Forwarding Busy	Call Forwarding Busy	✕
Call Forwarding Selective	Call Forwarding Selective	✔
Calling Name Retrieval	Calling Name Retrieval	✕
Do Not Disturb	Do Not Disturb	✕
Priority Alert	Priority Alert	✕
Voice Messaging User	Voice Messaging User	✔

Step 2

Click on **Call Forwarding Selective**

Step 3

Then **Call Forwarding Selective**. Click the **Plus icon** in the second panel.

The screenshot shows the Command Central Admin interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au)', a search dropdown, and 'My Account'. The breadcrumb trail is 'Dashboard / Hunt Group / @takecommand.com.au'. A left-hand navigation menu lists categories: HUNT GROUP (Agents, Profile, Settings), REPORTING (Basic Call Records, Premium Call Records), PROVISIONING (Announcements, Call Policies, Service Settings, Utilities), and CALLING PLANS (Incoming Calling Plan). The 'Service Settings' item is highlighted. The main content area is titled 'Call Forwarding Selective' and contains a settings card with the following values: Active (checked), Default Forward To Phone Number (04111), and Play Ring Reminder When Forwarded (unchecked). Below this is a 'Call Forwarding Selective Criteria' section with a search bar and a table. The table has columns for Description, Forward, Calls From, Forward To, and Is Active. One row is visible with Description 'After Hours', Forward 'x', Calls From 'All calls', Forward To '04111', and Is Active checked.

Step 4

Name your criteria **After Hours** and select **Forward to Default Number**. Change Time Schedule to your after hours schedule and then click **Save**.

The screenshot shows the 'Edit Criteria' form. It has a title bar 'Edit Criteria' with a close icon. The form is divided into 'General Settings' and a bottom action bar. The 'General Settings' section contains five rows, each with a label and a value field: Description (After Hours), Forward To (Forward To Default Number), Time Schedule (After Hours), Holiday Schedule (None), and Calls From (Any). The bottom action bar contains three buttons: 'Delete' (red), 'Cancel' (white), and 'Save' (green).

Step 5

To set the default number to forward to, click on the **cog** in the top right hand corner

- HUNT GROUP
 - Agents
 - Profile
 - Settings
- REPORTING
 - Basic Call Records
 - Premium Call Records
- PROVISIONING
 - Announcements
 - Call Policies
 - Service Settings**
 - Utilities

Call Forwarding Selective

Active

Default Forward To Phone Number 04111

Play Ring Reminder When Forwarded ✕

Call Forwarding Selective Criteria

search

Description	Forward	Calls From	Forward To	Is Active
After Hours	✕	All calls	04111	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Step 6

Tick the **Activate Call Forwarding Selective** box. Enter the number you want to forward calls to after hours then click **Save**.

Edit Settings

Activate Call Forwarding Selective

Play Ring Reminder When Call is Forwarded

Default Forward To

Cancel **Save**

Your screen should look something like this.

Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au) **Settings Updated**

Dashboard / Hunt Group / @takecommand.com.au

Call Forwarding Selective

Active

Default Forward To Phone Number 041114

Play Ring Reminder When Forwarded ✕

Call Forwarding Selective Criteria

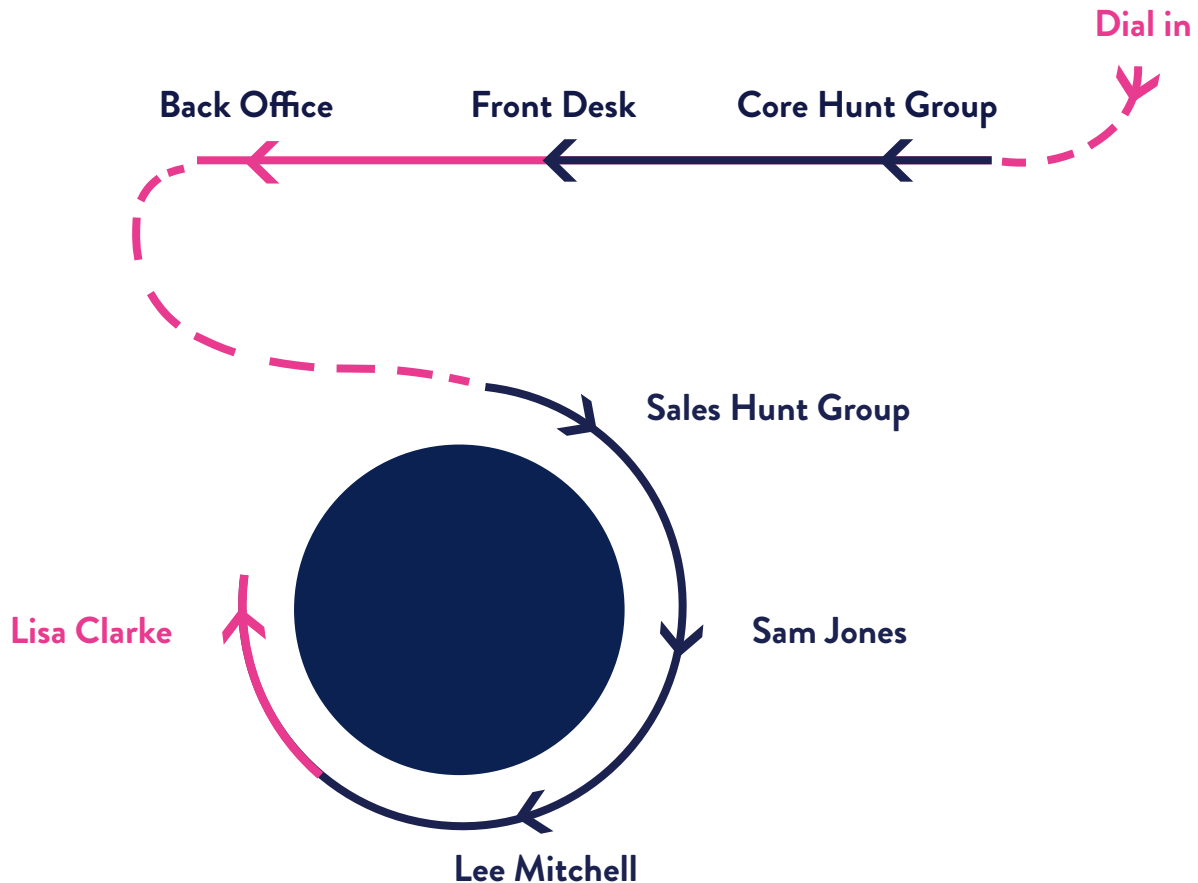
search

Description	Forward	Calls From	Forward To	Is Active
After Hours	✕	All calls	04111	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Multiple Hunt Groups

You can set up multiple hunt groups for even more flexibility. For example, you could have a core hunt group for calls coming into your business and then a separate hunt group for your sales agents.

When a call comes into your core hunt group and it's determined it's for the Sales team, the call can be transferred to the sales hunt group extension number and the Sales hunt group can funnel the calls to your Sales staff according to the hunt group settings.



Legend

Call hunts until it's answered in the Back Office, where it is transferred to the Sales Hunt Group and is finally answered by Lisa Clarke

- Call Answered
- Call Hunting
- Call Dialing

One hunt group is included with your Commander Phone system; extra hunt groups are \$8 per month.

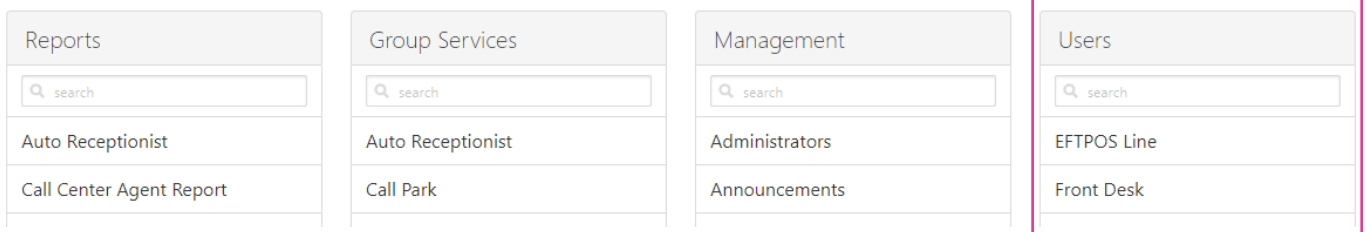
Voicemail to Email

Voicemails can be delivered to the voice mailbox and to an email address that you choose. To set up voicemail to email follow these steps.

Step 1

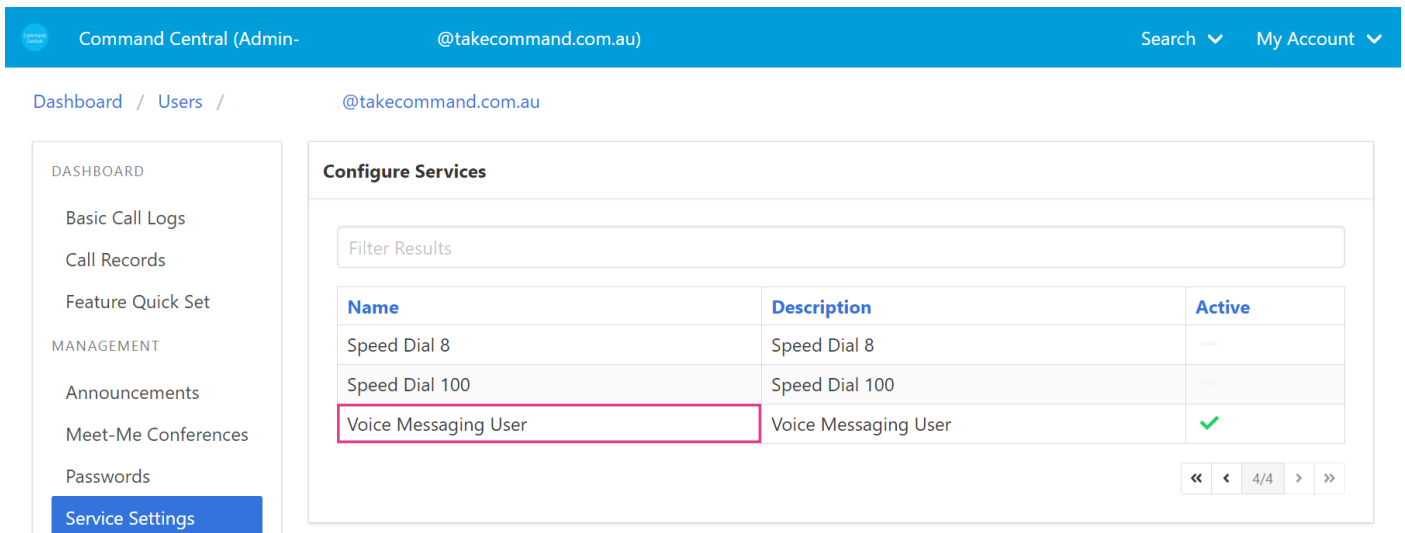
Open the **Dashboard** and click on the relevant user

Dashboard



Step 2

Click on **Service Settings** in the **User Menu** and scroll through the settings until you find **Voice Messaging User**



Step 3

Click the cog on the top right corner of the **Voice Messaging** page.

Step 4

Tick the **Send Carbon Copy Voice Message** box and then enter the desired email address in the **Carbon Copy To** field.

Edit Voice Messaging

- Enabled
- Enable Phone Message Waiting Indicator
- Send Voice Message Notification Email
- Send Carbon Copy Voice Message**
- Transfer on Zero
- Always Redirect to Voicemail
- Redirect Busy to Voicemail
- Redirect No Answer to Voicemail

Processing Unified Voice and Email Messaging

Delivery Email @takecommand.com.au

Carbon Copy To Your.email@gmail.com

Cancel Save

Important Information

Don't change the Delivery Email field. This ensures that your voicemails go to the voicemail platform.

Step 5

Click Save

Step 6

You will receive a Voice Messaging Saved notification if the email has been updated correctly.

Call Records

Feature Quick Set

MANAGEMENT

- Announcements
- Meet-Me Conferences
- Passwords
- Service Settings**
- User Schedules
- Alternate User ID
- User Registration
- User Profile

PROVISIONING

Voice Messaging	
Is Active	✓
Processing Type	Unified Voice and Email Messaging
Delivery Email	@takecommand.com.au
Message Indicator Enabled	✓
Send Notification Email	✗
Carbon Copy Voice Message	✓
Carbon Copy Email To	you.email@gmail.com
Transfer On 0	✗
Always Redirect to Voice Mail	✗
Busy to Voice Mail	✓

Voice Messaging Saved

Music on Hold

Commander Phone comes with default music when you put a caller on hold. You can customize the music on hold and upload your own “announcements”.

Important Information

The files must be in .wav format. You can use a free audio conversion tools online such as the one available at [Online convert](#) to convert to .wav as specified in the Command Central Admin Guide. Acceptable format: .wav (PCM, 16,000kHz, 16 bit Mono). The maximum file size is 10MB which should give you around 2.5 minutes of audio.

You can upload different announcements for different departments, so that the message played to callers is customised based on the type of agent that’s putting them on hold.

Use Command Central to upload your music on hold file as a **Custom** music on hold announcement.

Step 1

Create your audio file ensuring it is in the format mentioned above.

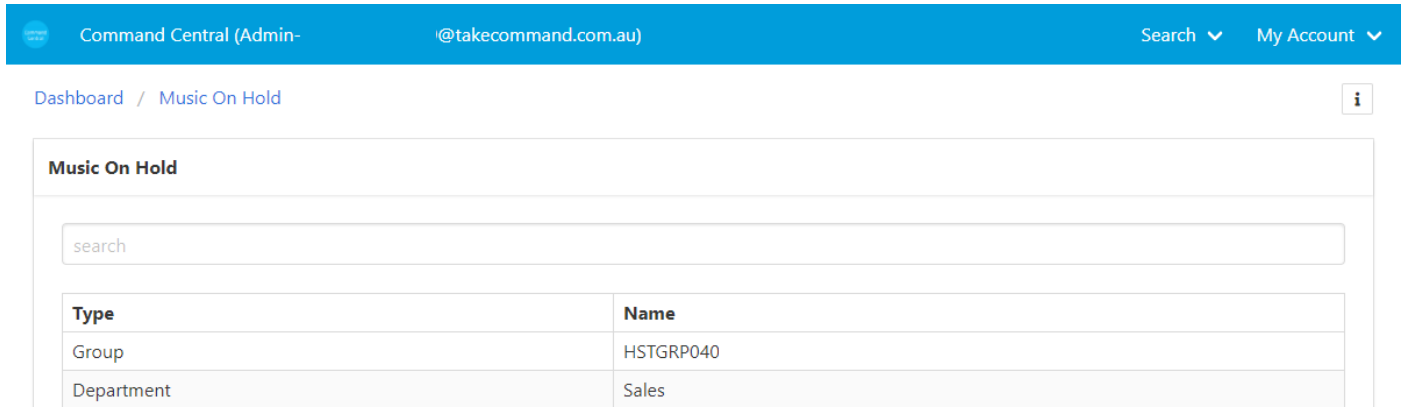
Step 2

Click on Music on Hold in the Dashboard.

Reports	Group Services	Management	Users
<input type="text" value="search"/>	<input type="text" value="search"/>	<input type="text" value="search"/>	<input type="text" value="search"/>
Auto Receptionist	Auto Receptionist	Administrators	EFTPOS Line
Call Center Agent Report	Call Park	Announcements	Front Desk
Premium Call Records	Call Pickup	Business Profile	Lee Mitchell
User Call Report	Cloud Q	Call Processing Policy	Lisa Clarke
User Report	Hunt Group	Calling Plans	Sam Jones
	Meet-Me Conferencing	Comm Barring	
	Music On Hold	Common Phone List	

Step 3

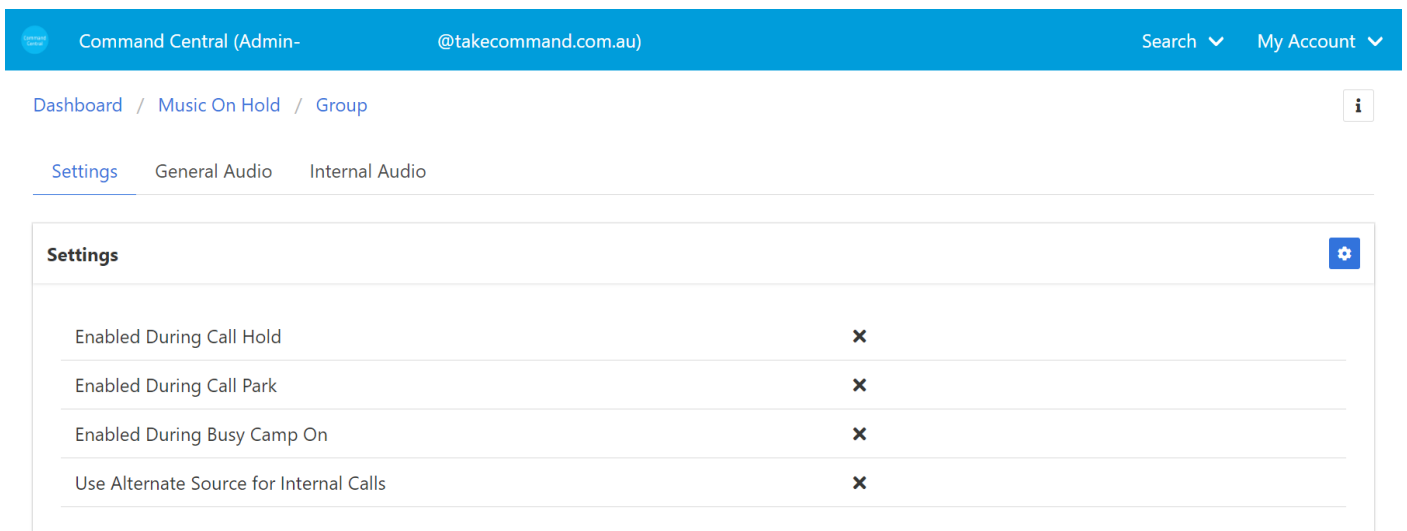
Click on the **Music on Hold** you would like to upload. In this example there is a default option for the whole group and an option to have separate music for the Sales department



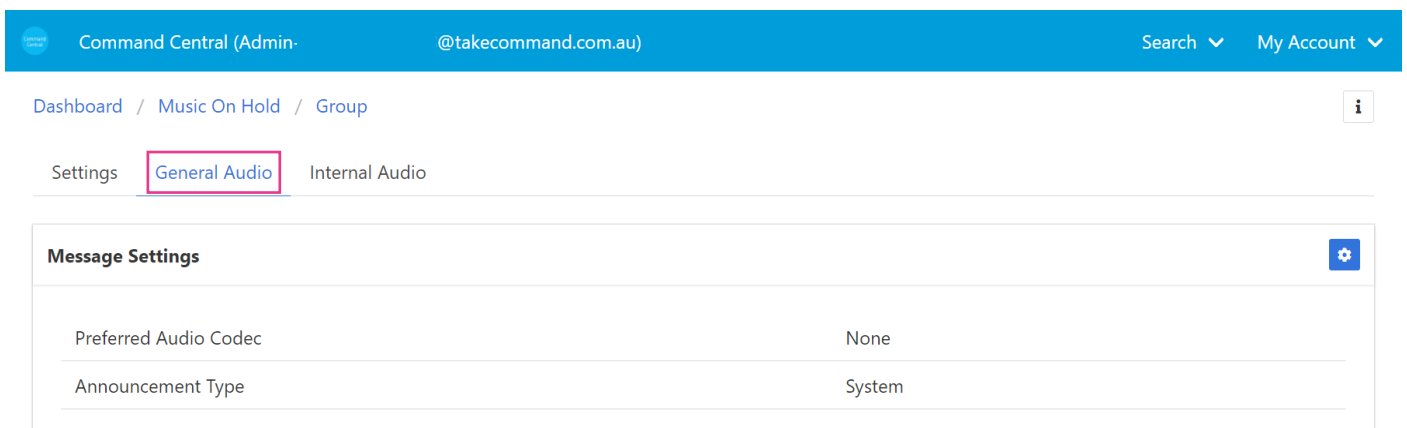
The screenshot shows the 'Music On Hold' configuration page. At the top, there is a blue header with 'Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au)', a search icon, and a 'My Account' dropdown. Below the header is a breadcrumb trail: 'Dashboard / Music On Hold'. The main content area is titled 'Music On Hold' and contains a search input field with the placeholder text 'search'. Below the search field is a table with two columns: 'Type' and 'Name'. The table has two rows: one for 'Group' with the value 'HSTGRP040', and one for 'Department' with the value 'Sales'. An information icon is located in the top right corner of the main content area.

Step 4

Once you're in the edit screen, click on **General Audio**, and then click on the **cog** on the top right-hand corner.



The screenshot shows the 'General Audio' settings page. At the top, there is a blue header with 'Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au)', a search icon, and a 'My Account' dropdown. Below the header is a breadcrumb trail: 'Dashboard / Music On Hold / Group'. The main content area is titled 'Settings' and contains a settings table with four rows. Each row has a label on the left and a toggle switch on the right, all of which are currently turned off (indicated by an 'x'). The settings are: 'Enabled During Call Hold', 'Enabled During Call Park', 'Enabled During Busy Camp On', and 'Use Alternate Source for Internal Calls'. A gear icon is located in the top right corner of the main content area.




The screenshot shows the 'Message Settings' page. At the top, there is a blue header with 'Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au)', a search icon, and a 'My Account' dropdown. Below the header is a breadcrumb trail: 'Dashboard / Music On Hold / Group'. The main content area is titled 'Message Settings' and contains a settings table with two rows. Each row has a label on the left and a value on the right. The settings are: 'Preferred Audio Codec' with the value 'None', and 'Announcement Type' with the value 'System'. A gear icon is located in the top right corner of the main content area.


Step 5

Change the announcement type to **Custom** and then click the add button to upload your file. Find the file you want to upload from your PC and upload it.



Audio Codec

None 

Announcement Type

Custom 

Audio File

No Announcement Selected  

Cancel Save

Step 6

Click on **Save** to save the file in the announcement.

Auto Receptionist

Setting up an automated menu system which greets customers and allows them to choose from a menu is easy with Commander Phone. There are advanced functions available however most businesses just require the basics.

Important Information

Auto Receptionist requires you to record an audio file to use as your Menu. This file must also be in .wav format and set to PCM, 16,000kHz, 16 bit Mono. There are online conversion tools like [Online Convert](#) which can help you to get your files into the right format.

We suggest that you set up two different menus, one for business hours and one for after hours with different menu keys for customers to select. For example, your business hours menu might say something like "Welcome to Lee's Real Estate.

Please choose from the following options. Press 1 for Sales. Press 2 for Accounts. Press 3 for any other enquiries" and your after hours menu might say something like "Welcome to Lee's Real Estate. You've called us after hours. Press 1 to leave a voice message or press 2 to speak to our after hours tenant emergency services".

Once you have your files ready to go, follow these steps.

Step 1

Open the **Dashboard** and click **Auto Receptionist**

The screenshot shows the 'Command Central (Admin-@takecommand.com.au)' dashboard. The 'Dashboard' page is active, and the 'Auto Receptionist' option is highlighted in the 'Group Services' section. The dashboard is divided into four main columns: Reports, Group Services, Management, and Users. Each column has a search bar and a list of items. The 'Auto Receptionist' option is highlighted with a red box in the 'Group Services' column.

Reports	Group Services	Management	Users
<input type="text" value="search"/>	<input type="text" value="search"/>	<input type="text" value="search"/>	<input type="text" value="search"/>
Auto Receptionist	Auto Receptionist	Administrators	EFTPOS Line
Call Center Agent Report	Call Park	Announcements	Front Desk
Premium Call Records	Call Pickup	Business Profile	Lee Mitchell
User Call Report	Cloud Q	Call Processing Policy	Lisa Clarke
User Report	Hunt Group	Calling Plans	Sam Jones
	Meet-Me Conferencing	Comm Barring	
	Music On Hold	Common Phone List	
	User Services	Custom Directory	
		Departments	

If your **Auto Receptionist** has been added to your account by Commander, it will appear in this list. It will have its own phone and extension numbers. If nothing appears here, contact us to have it added.

Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au) Search My Account

Dashboard / Auto Receptionist

Auto Receptionist

search

Name	Type	Number	Extension	Department	Active
Auto Receptionist-	Basic	028458	3215		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Step 2

Click on the **Auto Receptionist** details.

You'll see the **Auto Receptionist** details screen come up. Click on **Business Hour Menu** to configure the standard business hours menu.

Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au) Search My Account

Dashboard / Auto Receptionist / @takecommand.com.au

BUSINESS HOUR MENU

- After Hour Menu
- Business Hour Menu**
- Profile
- Settings

Business Hours Menu Audio

Announcement Type Default

First Menu Level Extension Dialing x

On the right-hand side you'll see a series of panels. The top section contains the audio file for the menu and the bottom section is where you program the key presses.

Step 3

Click the **cog** button on the top right of the **Business Hours** Menu audio section.

Edit Audio Settings

Enable First Menu Level Extension Dialing

Announcement Type Personal

Audio File

No Announcement Selected

Cancel Save

Step 4

Change the **Announcement Type** to **Personal**

Step 5

Click the **Add** button and select the .wav file you have created. Make sure it's under 10MB so that it will upload.

Step 6

Click **Save**

You will see an **Auto Attendant Saved** status bar at the top right of the screen.

Step 7

Once you're back at the main **Auto Receptionist menu**, you'll see the **Business Hours Menu Keys** section on the bottom right of the screen.

The screenshot shows the Command Central Admin interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au)', 'Search', and 'My Account'. The breadcrumb trail is 'Dashboard / Auto Receptionist / @takecommand.com.au'. The left sidebar lists categories: AUTO RECEPTIONIST (After Hour Menu, Business Hour Menu, Profile, Settings), REPORTING (Auto Receptionist Report, Premium Call Records), PROVISIONING (Announcements, Call Policies, Service Settings, Utilities), and CALLING PLANS (Incoming Calling Plan). The main content area has two sections: 'Business Hours Menu Audio' with settings for 'Announcement Type' (Default) and 'First Menu Level Extension Dialing' (X), and 'Business Hours Menu Keys' which contains a search bar and a table with the following data:

Key	Action	Action Data	Description
0	Transfer To Operator		
1	Extension Dialing		
2	Name Dialing		

Step 8

Your Commander Phone may come with some default menu items in the list, please review and edit these if necessary to make sure they are relevant to your business. You can create new menu options, delete menu options or add new ones by clicking the plus button on the top right-hand corner of that section.

Step 9

Add key actions one at a time to correspond with the menu that you recorded. The most common action is **Transfer Without Prompt** which simply diverts the call to a given number or extension. In this example you can see that the listener will be transferred to Sales (extension 2686) when the 1 button is pressed.

Edit Key ✕

Key

Action

Description

Number

Step 10

Save your changes and repeat until all your menu items are covered.

For more details about Auto Receptionist settings see page 37 of the [Command Central Admin User Guide](#).

Step 11

Repeat the process for your after hours menu by selecting the **After Hours** Menu item.

Command Central (Admin- @takecommand.com.au) Search My Account

Dashboard / Auto Receptionist / @takecommand.com.au

AUTO RECEPTIONIST

- After Hour Menu**
- Business Hour Menu
- Profile
- Settings

REPORTING

After Hours Menu Audio ⚙

Announcement Type	Personal
Audio File Name	Menu.wav
Audio File Type	WAV
First Menu Level Extension Dialing	✕

For more details about Auto Receptionist settings see page 16 of the [Command Central Admin User Guide](#) available from the support pages on our website.



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