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Dating and romantic AI companion apps are going 18+ on the App Store

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- [ ] **Check your child's app age limit.** In Settings, tap Family, your child's name, then Content & Privacy Restrictions, and choose an age rating under Content Restrictions.
- [ ] **Turn on Ask to Buy for younger kids.** In Settings, Family, your child's name, Apps & Websites, Ask to Buy, turn on Require Purchase Approval. It's on by default for under-13s.
- [ ] **Make sure each child has their own Child Account.** Apple says it should sit in your Family Sharing group and not be shared with anyone else.
- [ ] **Confirm your age if you use dating or romantic AI companion apps.** Australian adults must confirm they're 18 or older to download or buy 18+ apps. Check in Settings, your name, Personal Information, Age Confirmation.
- [ ] **Answer the two new questions in App Store Connect by 12 January 2027.** Declare whether your app has Dating and Relationships or Shared Location features, under App Information.
- [ ] **Ask your developer whether your app shares location.** Shared Location means sharing a user's real-world location with another person or group, and it must be declared.
- [ ] **Plan for an 18+ rating if your app has dating or romantic companion features.** Apple sets 18+ as the minimum for those apps.

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