How to Install GAT Noticeboard

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Set Up GAT Noticeboard Screens in the Google Admin Console

A Noticeboard screen is a ChromeOS device in KIOSK mode.

This guide explains how to deploy the GAT Noticeboard app and companion extension to ChromeOS devices in Kiosk mode using the Google Admin console.

By configuring these settings on a dedicated Organizational Unit (OU), your screens will automatically launch into the Noticeboard interface and register with your GAT+ domain on startup.

GAT Noticeboard Installation Requirements

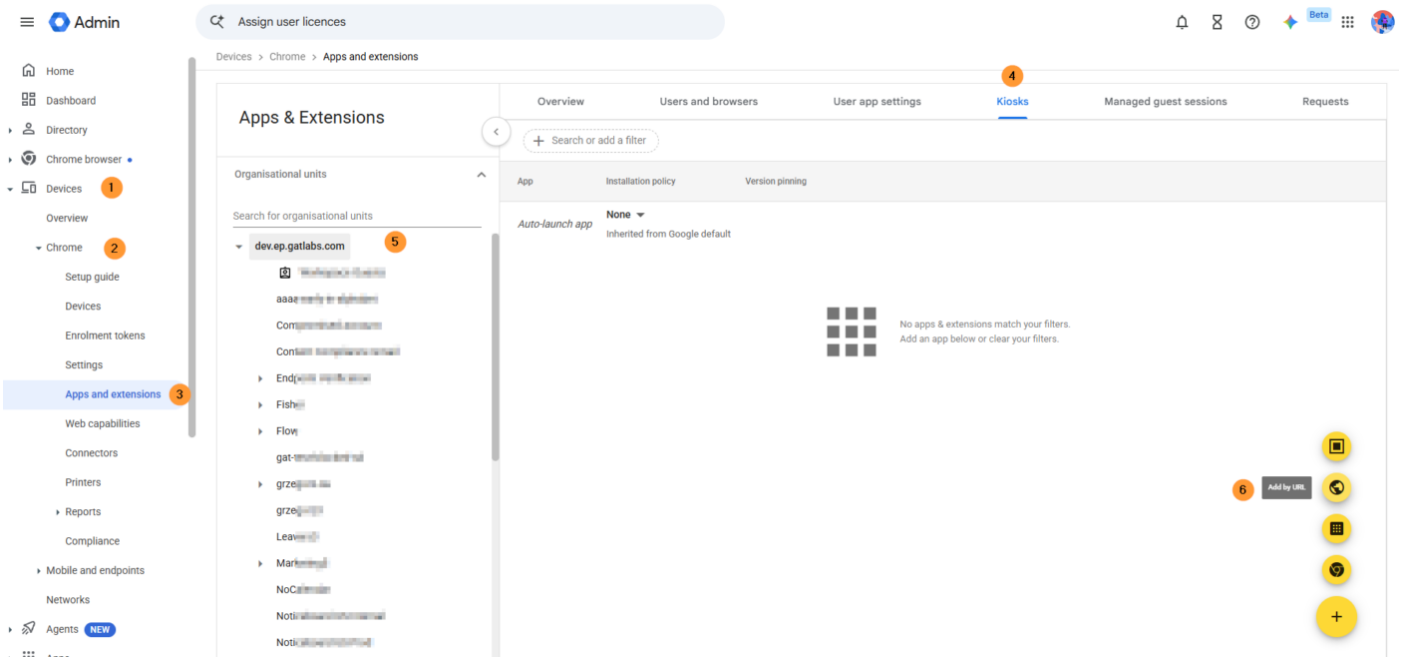
Requirements for the Noticeboard.

- Enrolled ChromeOS devices in your Google Workspace domain, with a **Kiosk & Signage or Chrome Enterprise upgrade.**
- Access **GAT+ → Noticeboard → Deployment**.
  - Keep this page open; each step below copies a value from it.
- OU for the Noticeboard screens.
  - Create an OU for your screens, for example, **GAT Noticeboard**.
  - Move the screen devices into it.
  - All settings below go on this OU. This OU would also be used to configure the policies needed for this app to work correctly.

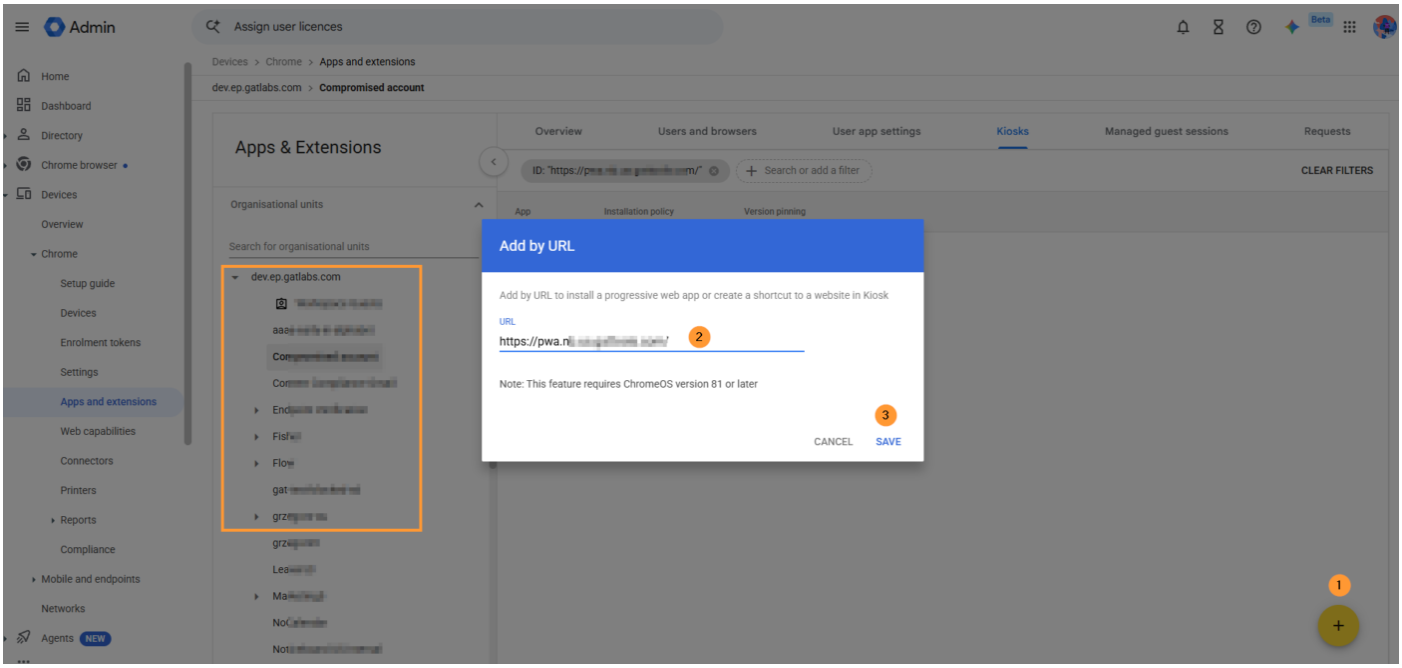
Step 1: Add GAT Noticeboard as a Kiosk App

In the Google Admin console

- Navigate to the Google Admin console, go to **Devices > Chrome > Apps and extensions > Kiosks (4)**
- Select the OU where you want to add the Noticeboard app.

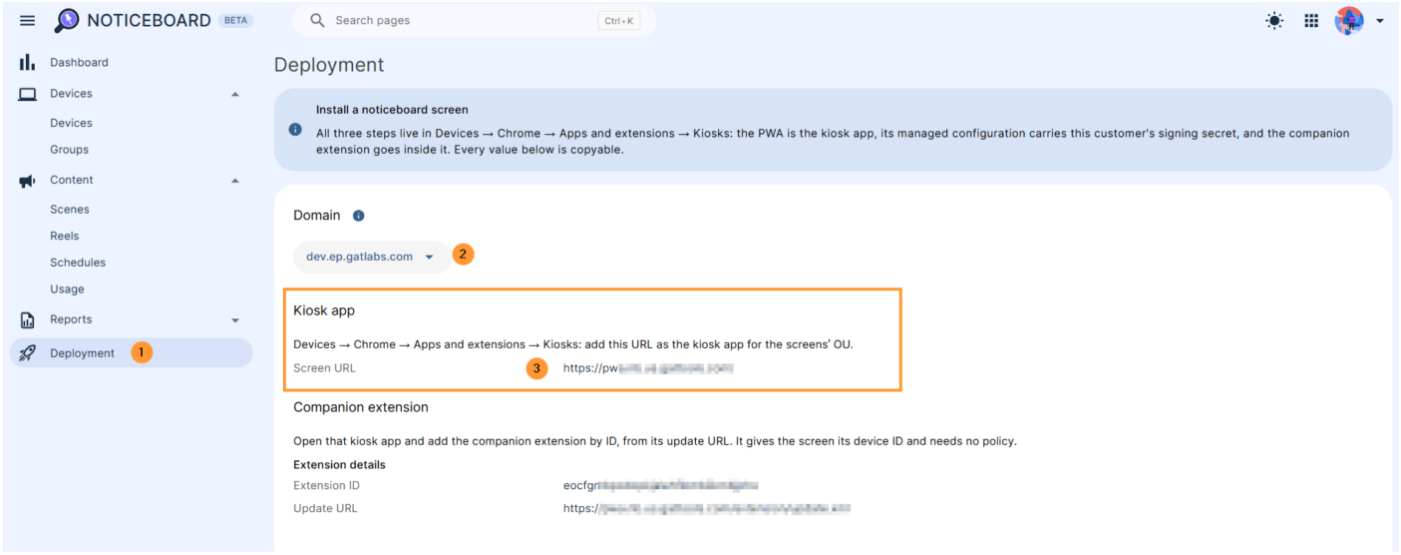


- On the right side, click the **+ button** and pick **Add by URL** (6)



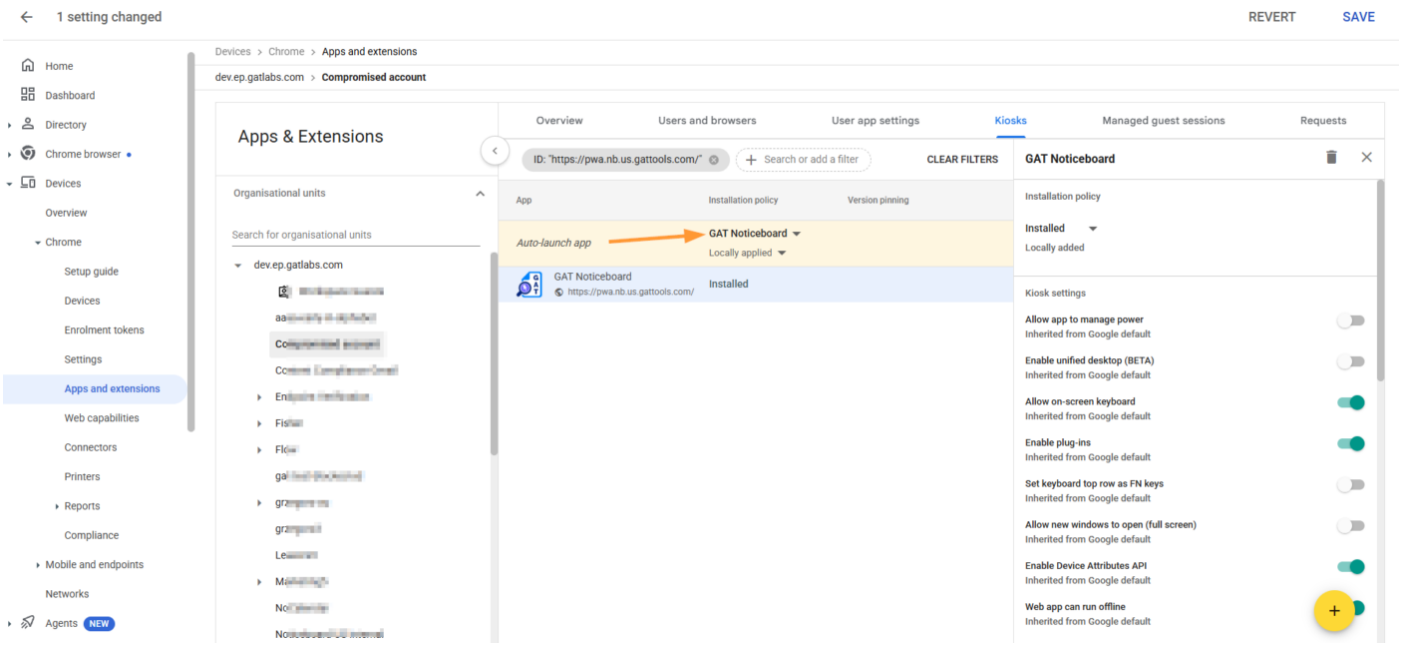
On GAT Noticeboard details

- Navigate to **Noticeboard > Deployment > copy** the **Screen URL** shown under the Kiosk App details.
- Paste the **Screen URL into the Admin console > Add by URL fields** (above)



- A pop-up message will be displayed; click on Agree.

> Note: In the kiosk settings for the OU, set **Auto-launch app** to the Noticeboard app, so screens open it as soon as they start.



Kiosk App Installation Result

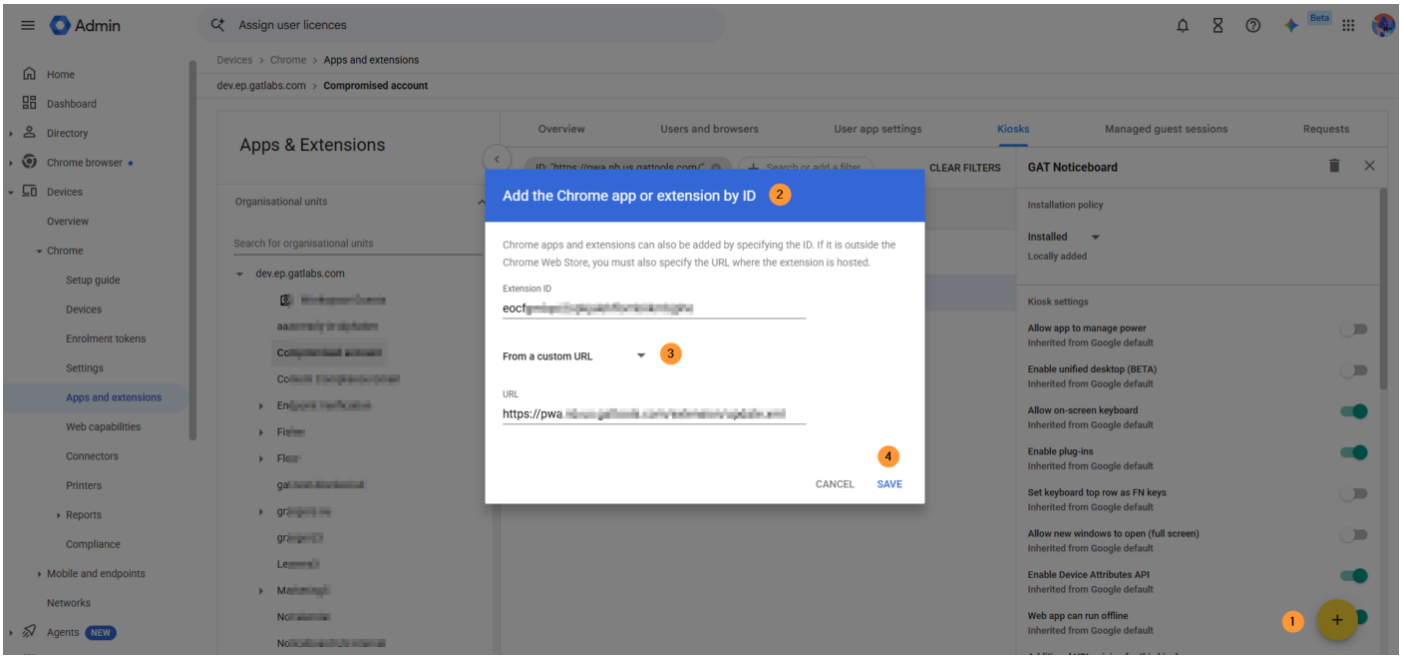
As a result, the Kiosk Noticeboard will be installed.

Step 2: Install the GAT Noticeboard Extension

The extension lets each screen identify itself, so it appears in GAT+ under Devices.

- In **Kiosks**, on the same OU, click the Noticeboard app to open its settings.

- Add an extension from a custom URL.
    - Copy both values from the Deployment page found in **Noticeboard > Deployment**
    - Enter the **Extension ID and URL**
- **Save.**



The extension needs no further settings.

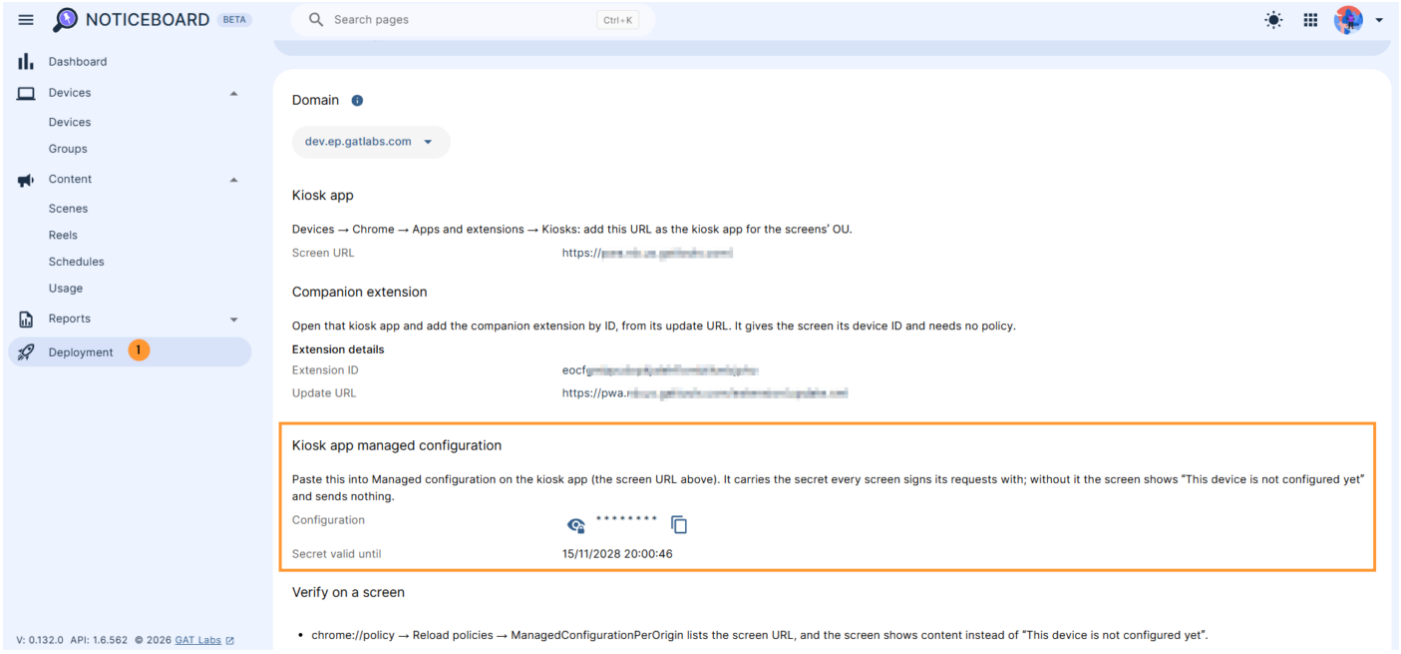
Kiosks settings

In the GAT Noticeboard, in the Kiosk settings for the app, please enable "**allow app to manage power**".

Step 3: Set Up the Managed Configuration

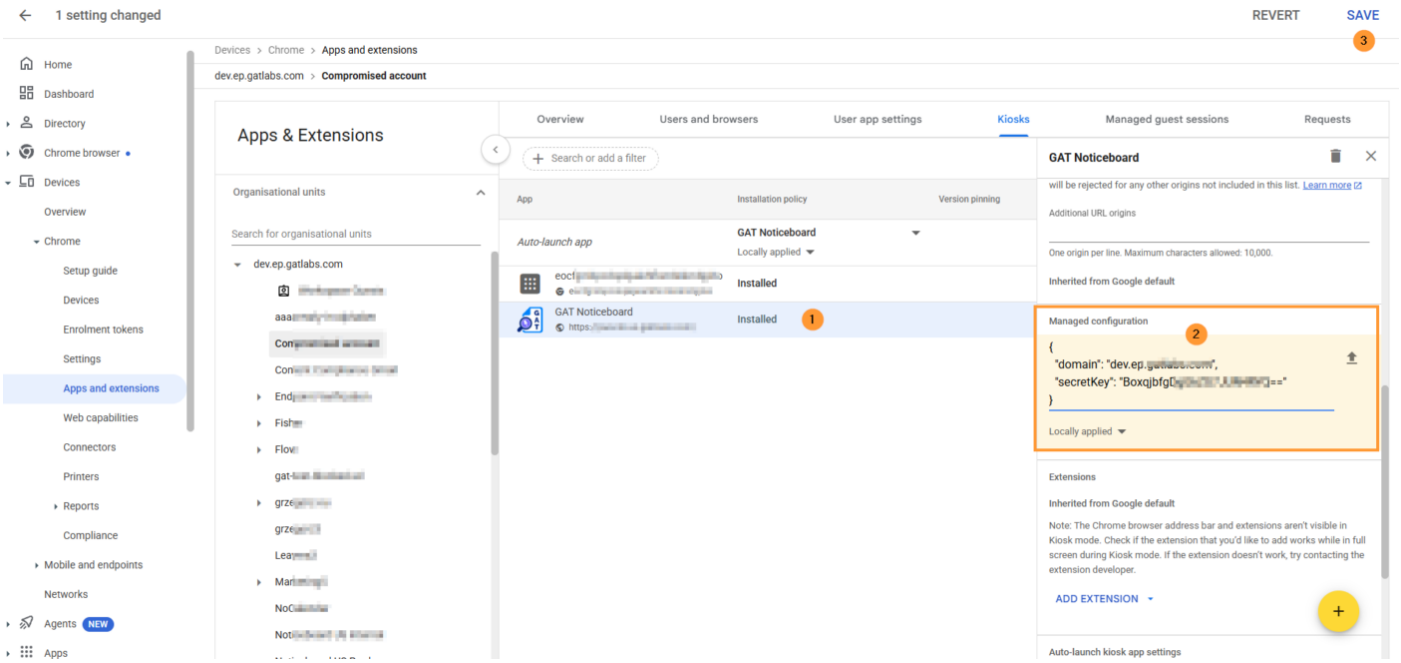
The managed configuration connects your screens to your organisation in GAT+. Without it, a screen shows **“This device is not configured yet”**.

- On the Deployment page, pick your **Domain**, then click **Copy the configuration**.



- In **Kiosks**, open the Noticeboard app (not the extension).
- Paste into **Managed configuration** and save.

Copy and paste the text as it is. It should be your own domain name.



Valid date

Keep it current. The Deployment page shows when the secret is **valid until**. Before that date, copy the configuration again and paste it over the old one.

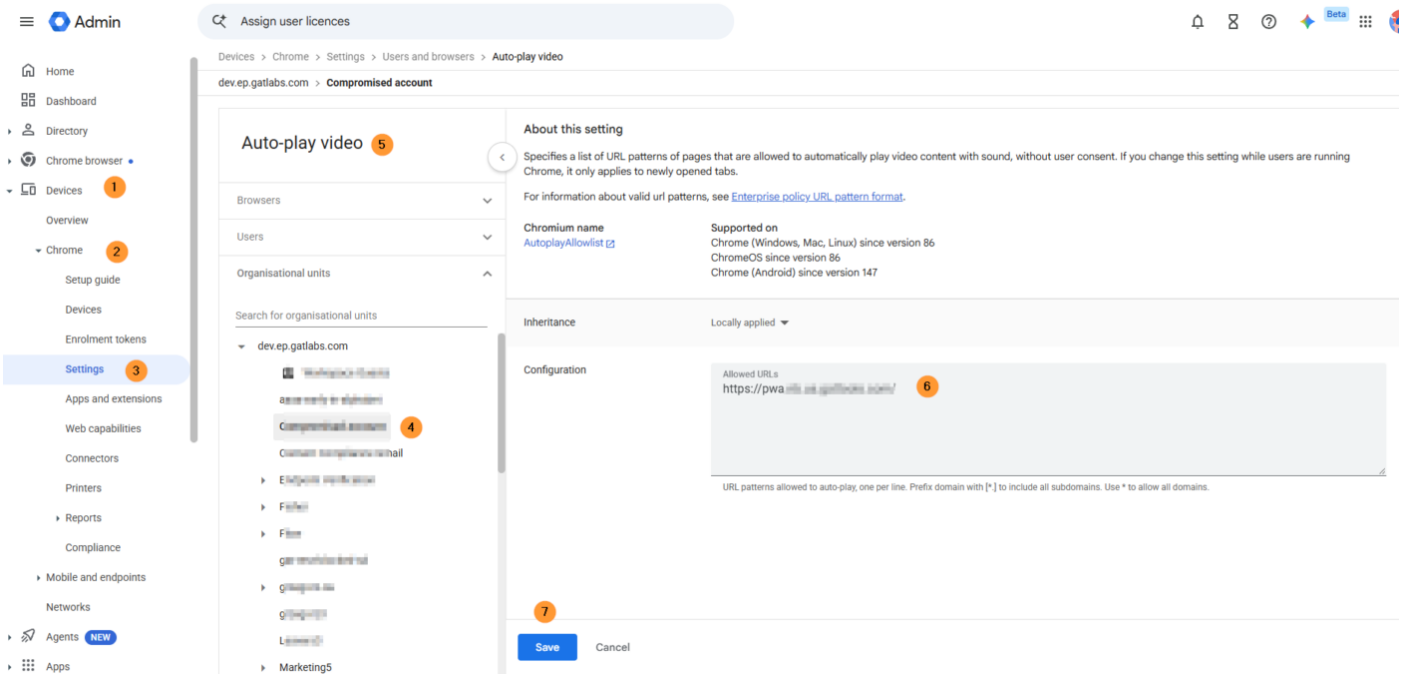
> Screens keep running during the switch.

Step 4: Configure Optional ChromeOS Settings

Set these on the same OU only if they apply to you. Use the host of your Screen URL wherever a value asks for it.

Settings in the **Admin console.**

Navigate to **Devices > Chrome > Settings > Users and browsers >** Search for **auto-play video** and add the Noticeboard URL



Navigate to **Devices > Chrome > Settings > Users and browsers >** Search for **URL blocking** , check if the URLs are blocked, and allow the URLs you want.

Step 5: Verify Your Noticeboard Installation

Restart one of the device screens in the OU.

Within a few minutes, it should:

- Open Noticeboard on its own, with no login screen;
- Show the content created on the Noticeboard and not the “This device is not configured yet” message.
- Appear in **GAT+ → Noticeboard → Devices**.

Then restart or power on the rest.

New Noticeboard versions will be installed automatically.

Complete Your GAT Noticeboard Deployment

Your Noticeboard deployment is now complete. When you power on or restart the devices in your Noticeboard OU, they will automatically connect to your domain and display your configured boards.

Remember to check the secret expiration date on your GAT+ Deployment page periodically and update the managed configuration before it expires to avoid interruptions.

*Now that your installation is complete, explore our **How to Use GAT Noticeboard** guide to learn how to manage screens, create content, and schedule announcements.*

For further assistance, contact us at support@gatlabs.com

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What are the requirements for installing GAT Noticeboard?

GAT Noticeboard requires enrolled ChromeOS devices with a Kiosk & Signage or Chrome Enterprise upgrade, access to the GAT+ Noticeboard Deployment page, and a dedicated Organizational Unit (OU) for the screens.

2. Does GAT Noticeboard run in ChromeOS kiosk mode?

Yes. Administrators can deploy GAT Noticeboard as a kiosk app through the Google Admin console and configure it to launch automatically when devices start.

3. Why does my Noticeboard screen say “This device is not configured yet”?

This message appears when the screen does not have the managed configuration needed to connect to your organization in GAT+. Copy the configuration from the Noticeboard Deployment page and paste it into the app's Managed configuration settings in the Google Admin console.

4. How do I check if my GAT Noticeboard installation is successful?

Restart a configured ChromeOS device. It should automatically launch Noticeboard, display your configured content, and appear under **GAT+ > Noticeboard > Devices** within a few minutes.

5. Do I need to update the GAT Noticeboard managed configuration?

Yes. Administrators should check the secret expiration date on the Deployment page and update the managed configuration before it expires. Screens continue running during the configuration update.

6. Does GAT Noticeboard update automatically?

Yes. New versions of GAT Noticeboard are installed automatically.