## Dating Advice Q&A: Why Do Men Ask for Photos?





Question from Emily O.: I've noticed on a lot chat or IM apps, one of the first things guys ask for is a picture of yourself, even if you have a profile photo displayed or albums filled with photos. It seems like "Can you send a pic," is the norm now? Why is that? And why will some even write you off completely if you're not willing to send a photo right away? I'm not comfortable sending pictures of myself to strangers only 2 minutes into a conversation.

Dating can be complicated. Add the internet, social media and electronic devices into the mix, and it can get tricky real fast. However, do not fret. Leave it up to our relationship experts who can offer their best <u>dating advice</u> on using technology the right way. Online dating is here to stay, after all, so don't be afraid to jump in and catch up with the times! Take time to learn some valuable dating tips from Cupid's very own, matchmaker Suzanne Oshima and relationship expert Robert Manni. Here you'll have your questions answered on whether or not you should send a photo of yourself to a potential beau.

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<u>Suzanne K. Oshima, Matchmaker</u>: The **good** reason: Men are visual creatures, so they may want to see more pics to make sure you actually look like the photos on your profile. The **bad** reason: Men will ask you to send a pic and if they're looking for something more sexy, then it will turn into asking you for a naked pic in the future. If a man writes you off for not sending another photo, then thank him for eliminating himself. He's probably just looking for one thing and he's not worth your time... So, just move on. Next!

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Robert Manni, Guy's Guy: Guys are visual and they enjoy looking at photos of pretty young ladies; and there's lots of photos of good-looking women online. But, at the same time, men get spoiled and some even ask women they've barely connected to- to send more pictures. Unfortunately, sharing more photos will not move a potential relationship forward. My advice to any young woman put into that position is to politely decline. If the guy presses or asks you why not, consider telling him that if he wants another photo of you he can take you out to a nice restaurant and maybe you'll let him snap a photo of you in person. The bottom line is that if a guy needs more photos of you to make a decision, or prefers looking at pictures of instead of spending time with you in person, he's probably not someone you want to invest your time in.

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