

Using an AOL Mail Server for SMS Texting with Verizon Vtext.

Verizon "Vtext.com" is not working properly when sending SMS Text Messages through the Google Gmail SMTP Server. Vtext messages can take hours or even days to be received from Verizon. Verizon claims that Gmail is getting too much spam. A simple fix for us is to change from sending Text messages to sending Email messages. Instead of sending to "yourphonenumber@vtext.com", send to "youremailaddress@Gmail.com. (Or other email app you may have on your phone AOL, Yahoo, Hotmail, etc.)

Otherwise to continue using "Vtext.com" use the AOL Mail Server instead of the Gmail Server. AOL requires you to use an "App Password" instead of your regular AOL Email Password, but it's very easy to create an AOL App Password.

First you have to create a Free AOL email account. AOL allows 500 free messages per day. Just go to AOL.com. Here is a youtube video on creating an AOL Email Account:

<https://youtu.be/i6KnLhASn4c>

Here is a youtube video showing how to create an AOL App Password. I didn't have to turn on "2 Step Verification" so apparently it isn't necessary:

<https://youtu.be/Xed5wucyHwY>

You will use the App Password instead of your AOL Login Password in RaceLog Pro SMS Setup Screen as seen below:

SMS Paging Setup

File Help

Enter Phone Number@Your Carrier or Your Email Address

| | | | |
|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----|
| SMS Pager 1: | 1234567890@vtext.com | (Example Send SMS Text) | T1 |
| SMS Pager 2: | Your Email UserName@gmail.com | (Example Send Email) | T2 |
| SMS Pager 3: | | | T3 |
| SMS Pager 4: | | | T4 |
| SMS Pager 5: | | | T5 |

Note: Just enter the 10 digits. No dashes or spaces in the Phone Number!

Cancel Save

SMTP Server Settings

| | | | |
|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----|
| SENDER EMAIL: | AOL UserName@aol.com | PORT NUMBER: | 465 |
| SMTP SERVER: | smtp.aol.com | AUTHENTICATION: | 1 |
| SMTP USERNAME: | AOL UserName@aol.com | USE SSL: | 1 |
| SMTP PASSWORD: | Your AOL App Password | TIME OUT: | 100 |

Cancel Save