

Understanding the Different Zoom Plans

What is Zoom?

Zoom is a cloud-based platform for video and audio conferencing, digital collaboration and *simple* online meetings. Zoom is web-based and, therefore, requires an internet connection. It is accessible on MacOS, iOS and Android mobile devices.

It is ***strongly recommended*** that each Province with a Zoom capability purchase a paid subscription to Zoom. The Mother House will provide financial support to Provinces that require it.

Zoom offers various packages to help groups organize online meetings. This is a simple presentation of the differences. For more details visit www.zoom.com.

| Zoom Basic | Zoom Pro | Zoom Business |
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| 1. Free 2. 40 minute limit for group meetings 3. Up to 100 participants 4. Unlimited number of meetings 5. Unlimited 1 to 1 meetings 6. Online support <i>Typically this free version is NOT adequate for Province life and operations.</i> | 1. \$15 USD/month/host 2. Group meeting limit is 24 hours 3. Up to 100 participants 4. Unlimited number of meetings 5. Additional administrative features (e.g., enabling/disabling recording; chat during call). 6. Can create break-groups among your participants. <i>This plan might be useful for smaller Provinces with less complex structures or more limited internet access in some of their locations.</i> | 1. \$20 USD/a month/host 2. Minimum of 10 hosts. 3. More administrator options. 4. Cloud recording transcripts 5. Can create break-groups among your participants. <i>This plan is helpful for:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <i>Medium to larger Provinces</i> – <i>Provinces with greater access to the internet and/or</i> – <i>Provinces with various offices, committees, ministries, etc.</i> |

Please note:

- one does not need a Zoom account to PARTICIPATE in a Zoom meeting;
- if internet connection is sometimes unstable, it is possible to turn off the camera and participate only by audio; and
- Zoom accounts cannot be created in Congo, Cuba and Venezuela, HOWEVER, Congo and Venezuela CAN PARTICIPATE in Zoom conferences. Cuba CANNOT participate.