

For IT and practice admins

Safeclip is a desktop app that records, transcribes and writes notes on the computer it runs on. Session audio, transcripts and notes stay on that computer. They are not sent to Safeclip, and Safeclip's servers have no endpoint that accepts them. No account is needed; signing in is only for the paid Founding License. The app has no analytics, telemetry or crash-reporting SDK.

macOS (.dmg)

Needs	macOS 14 or later on Apple Silicon (no Intel build).
Installs	Safeclip.app, dragged to /Applications.
Signing	Signed with Safeclip's Apple Developer ID and notarized by Apple.
Asks for	Microphone; Screen & System Audio Recording, only for call audio; Calendars and Automation (Apple Notes), only if those features are used; Notifications.

Windows (-setup.exe or .msi)

Needs	Windows 10 or 11, x64.
Installs	The .exe installs for the current user in %LOCALAPPDATA%\Safeclip, no admin rights. The .msi installs for all users in C:\Program Files\Safeclip.
Signing	Not code-signed yet, so SmartScreen may warn on first run. Compare the file's SHA-256 with the one on the release page, or allow it by hash.
Asks for	Microphone access (Settings, Privacy & security). The installer adds Microsoft WebView2 if it is missing.

Linux (.deb, .rpm or .AppImage)

Needs	x64. The .deb is for Debian and Ubuntu, the .rpm for Fedora and similar.
Installs	The .deb and .rpm install system-wide under /usr and pull in libpulse, ALSA, libgomp and GStreamer. The AppImage is one file that runs from anywhere.
Signing	Packages are not signed. Compare the SHA-256 with the one on the release page.
Asks for	Microphone and call audio through PulseAudio or PipeWire (the monitor device).

Nothing listens on the network

The local transcription, AI and (on Linux) playback servers listen on 127.0.0.1 only, on a free port picked at launch.

The local API for scripts and MCP clients listens on 127.0.0.1:8793, only while a user turns it on.

If the user runs Ollama, Safeclip talks to it on 127.0.0.1:11434.

Hosts to allow (HTTPS, port 443)

api.safeclip.io	Update checks, feedback; sign-in and license check only if you sign in
huggingface.co *.huggingface.co *.hf.co	Model downloads
github.com api.github.com release-assets.githubusercontent.com objects.githubusercontent.com	Updates, the local AI server, speaker-detection models, link-import tool, the natural voice if you add it
ffmpeg.martin-riedl.de johnvansickle.com	Only if the bundled ffmpeg is missing
Only when they apply:	
Microsoft	Windows installer only, for the WebView2 runtime if the PC doesn't have it
The site you paste a link from	Only for items you imported from a link
Your cloud AI provider	Only when you choose Send to Cloud

Where data lives

macOS	~/Library/Application Support/io.safeclip.desktop
Windows	%APPDATA%\io.safeclip.desktop
Linux	~/.local/share/io.safeclip.desktop

Logs: inside that folder on Linux (\$XDG_DATA_HOME moves it), ~/Library/Logs/io.safeclip.desktop on a Mac, %LOCALAPPDATA%\io.safeclip.desktop on Windows.

Clips, audiograms and exports go only to a folder the user picks.

A cloud Ask API key, if a Founding user sets one, is kept in the operating system's credential store, not in Safeclip's files.

Each OS user account has its own folder, and Safeclip doesn't sync it anywhere.

Safeclip does not offer a Business Associate Agreement and makes no compliance certification claims. Why no BAA is needed for the app as it ships, and the device checklist for the people using it: safeclip.io/no-baa. Check the network claims yourself: safeclip.io/what-leaves#check.