

CR-48 Verizon 3G Data Plans

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Chrome OS

In addition to Wi-Fi access, the CR-48 has 3G access capability through Verizon. Once activated, you get 100MB of free data per month for two years. You can also optionally purchase several plans:

\$9.99	day pass with unlimited data
\$19.99	1 GB (valid for 30 days)
\$34.99	3 GB (valid for 30 days)
\$49.99	5 GB (valid for 30 days)

The day pass provides unlimited access, and the session lasts for 24 hours. It is probably most useful for those rare times when you have no Wi-Fi access but require Internet connectivity.

The other plans provide the specified amount of data and the session lasts for 30 days from activation.

The other plans give you the flexibility to choose how much data you want.

So how much data do I need?

The size of plan you purchase really depends upon your data usage. Based upon [Verizon's Data Calculator](#), here are some examples of the kind of tasks you do on your CR-48, and the usage you could expect based upon the plan purchased:

Task	Data used	100MB	1GB	3GB	5GB
Email (text only)	0.01MB each	10,000	100,000	300,000	500,000
Typical Web page Lookup	1.5MB each	67	667	2,000	3,333
Audio Streaming	34MB per hour	3	29	88	148
Lo-res Video Streaming	46mB per hour	2	22	65	111
Hi-res Video Streaming	356MB per hour	0.3	3	8	13
Digital photo upload/download	1MB each	100	1,000	3,000	5,000

Note that these are estimates only, and your usage or experience could and probably will vary greatly. Further note that tasks such as rich email with pictures and attachments will take up significantly more bandwidth than plain text email.

One benefit of these plans is that they are “no contract” services, so you only pay month-to-month for what you want to use. So if you want to pay for 1GB this month and then not pay for anything next month, you can do so. In addition, there is no Early Termination Fee.

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