100+ Android apps that MUST be DELETED — they could be spying on you

All of these apps are found out to be from the same developer which could turn easily your beauty camera app into a spy camera.

A recent study and investigation by <u>CyberNews</u> was able to find a link between a secret network of 27 app developers who have created around 103 apps that has around 69 million installations. Most of these apps shares the same behavior and even the same codes.

The strategy of this secret network of developers involves copying other apps and modifying their visual appearance such as interface, logo, and overall design to make the app look unique and to hide their dirty work, they launch the apps under various developer's names.

CyberNews estimates that the revenue for the apps created by this network could be nearly \$1 million per month.

Dangerous Android apps

You might say, I see nothing wrong about a network of developers working together to make bunch of apps right? Not so fast.

The investigation of CyberNews shows that these apps are asking extensive variety of unnecessary device permissions, which is not involved nor used in the core functionalities of the apps. Some of which permissions are modifying or deleting USB storage, turning your mobile's microphone on and off, accessing your device's camera and pictures and even modifying system settings.

At first, to a simple android user, these permissions might not be suspicious backed up by the number of installations of the apps and "credibility" since it's under the official app store. However, in time the developers could abuse these permissions and turn your favorite app locker app, beauty app, camera or even a simple relax sound sleep music player into a bogus data-collecting app.

List of Malicious Apps

The list of the 103 apps that are found to be malicious could potentially spy on you that are listed by <u>CyberNews</u> is located below.

- Glitch Effect Video, Photo Editor Grainy Effect
- Mod for Minecraft, Mods For Minecraft Animals 2019
- Voice Changer, Voice Recorder Editor With Effects
- Sketch Photo Editor And Pencil Sketch Art
- Horoscope 2019 With 12 Zodiac Sign Master
- Alex Joe Face Makeup Camera & Beauty Photo Makeup Editor
- Arrow Frankie Video Editor With Music App, Video Maker
 Of Photo
- Call Recorder Automatic, Call Recording 2 Ways
- Rusty Mari Screen Recorder With Facecam & Audio, Video Editor
- Nucie Cam: Beauty Selfie Camera With Photo Editor
- Screen Recorder With Facecam & Screenshot Capture
- PDF Scanner Camera Scanner: JPG To PDF Converter
- App Locker Fingerprint, PIN And Gallery Locker
- Photo Collage Maker And Picture Grid Art Frame
- Metronome And Tuner For Instrument
- Relax Sound Sleep Music And Soothing Sounds
- Cut And Paste Photo Editor With Background Eraser
- Screen Recorder With Audio And Facecam, Screenshot
- App Locker With Password Fingerprint, Lock Gallery
- Video Maker With Music Photos, Video Effects App
- Photo Collage Maker And Picture Grid, Photo Layout

- Video Editor, Video Maker With Music Photos & Text
- Makeup Camera and Beauty Makeover Photo Editor
- Video Editor With Music And Effects & Video Maker
- Cut And Paste Photo Editor To Change Background
- Screen Recorder, Game Recorder With Facecam, Audio
- JPG To PDF Converter With Camera Scanner To PDF
- Bubble Level Ruler With Inclinometer Free
- RAR File Extractor And ZIP Opener, ZIP RAR Creator
- Automatic Call Recorder Incoming And Outgoing App
- App Locker With Password, Photo Gallery Locker
- Color Call Screen Themes With Flash On Call
- Glitch Effect Video Editor And Vhs Effect Photo
- Internet Browser Private To Download Videos HD
- Dual Account Double Space, Multi Account App
- Alarm Pill Reminder, Medical Reminder And Tracker
- Pixel Art Color By Number & Sandbox Coloring Game
- Period Tracker, Menstruation & Ovulation Calendar
- Kylian Mbapee Call Screen Themes With Flashlight On Call
- App Locker Fingerprint & Password, Gallery Locker
- ProCam HD Camera
- Video Player All Format 2019 With Media Player App
- Photo Collage Maker And Photo Grid 2019 New
- Video Editor Of Photos, Video Recorder With Music
- MP3 Music Player, MP3 Cutter Ringtones Maker
- Beauty Camera, Makeup Photo Editor And Makeover
- PIP Photo Editor With PIP Camera Photo Maker 2019
- School Hairstyles Step By Step, Braiding Hairstyle
- Pixel Art Color By Number 2019 & Sandbox Coloring
- Jigsaw Puzzles For Adults And Picture Puzzles
- Flower Drawing Step By Step With Mandala Coloring
- Photo Editor With Square Blur Pic, Slim Body
- Vlog Editor And Video Maker With Music Photos
- Battery Charger With Battery Saver And Optimizer
- Memory Booster And Cleaner With Ram Optimizer
- Volume Booster and Equalizer, MP3 Music Player
- Phone Cooler Master And CPU Cooling 2020
- Fruit VPN Better Connect

- Kiwi VPN Connection For IP Changer, Unblock Sites
- Carrie Waters Volume Booster & Sound Enhancer Music Player
- Internet Speed Test Meter And WiFi Test Speed
- Perfect VPN Proxy To Unblock Sites With IP Changer
- Data Saver And Data Manager To Control Data Usage
- GoFox Incognito Browser And Private Web Browser
- Darry Cowlly Running Tracker With Step Counter And Calories
- Buttocks Workout: 30 Day Workout & Diet Challenge
- Gaspard Aden Automatic Call Recorder Both Sides To Record Calls
- App Locker With Password Fingerprint, Lock Pattern
- Alfred Persen Volume Booster Music Player And Sound Booster
- QR Code Scanner & Barcode Reader, Product Checker
- Assistive Touch: Easy Touch With Control Center
- Voice Recorder And Editor With Cut Recorded Audio
- Video Slideshow With Music And Photos, Video Maker
- Beauty Camera Makeup Face Selfie, Photo Editor
- Cut Photo Editor Background Changer, Photo Filters
- Vintage Camera With Photo Editor Filters & Effect
- Screen Recorder With Facecam & Screenshot Capture
- Video Editor, Video Maker With Music Photos & Text
- Makeup Camera and Beauty Makeover Photo Editor
- Pixel Art Color By Number & Sandbox Coloring Pages
- CPU Phone Cooler To Cool Down Phone Temperature
- UltraShark VPN Free Proxy Server & Secure VPN
- Caller Screen Themes With Color Call Flash Screen
- Video Maker: Video Editor With Music And Slideshow
- Math Solver With Steps & Graphing Calculator
- Emoji Keyboard Themes & Color Fancy Keyboard
- Slow Motion Video Editor & Fast Speed Video Maker
- Graphing Calculator And Equation Solver Calculator
- App Locker With Password Fingerprint, Photo Locker
- Video Maker Of Photos & Effects, Slow Motion Video
- Video Creator With Music & Video Maker Of Photos

- Math Solver Camera With Equation Calculator
- Mods For MCPE, Maps For Minecraft PE Free
- Automatic Call Recorder Incoming And Outgoing Call
- Fake Caller With Prank Calling & Call Simulator
- Builder For Minecraft With Minecraft House
- 30 Day Challenge Workouts For Women, Weight Loss
- RAR File Extractor And ZIP Opener, File Compressor
- Screen Recorder With Audio And Facecam & Editor
- Video Maker: Video Creator With Music And Photos
- Makeup Photo Editor With Auto Makeup Camera
- File Transfer To Another Phone And Share Anything
- Voice Recorder Editor And HD Audio Recording