# Managing Negative Social Feedback

This playbook describes a strategic approach to handling negative feedback on social media platforms. It outlines steps for addressing negative comments and reviews efficiently to mitigate their impact and maintain a positive brand image.

## Step 1: Monitor

Regularly monitor social media channels for any negative feedback, comments, or reviews using tools or manual checks.

#### Step 2: Assess

Evaluate the feedback to determine its validity and whether it requires a public response, a private message or no action at all.

#### Step 3: Plan Response

Formulate a response plan. If responding publicly, draft a message that acknowledges the feedback, empathizes with the customer, and suggests a solution or a way to take the conversation offline.

## Step 4: Respond Quickly

Act promptly. Respond in a timely manner to show that you take customer feedback seriously and are committed to resolving issues.

#### Step 5: Follow-Up

After addressing the concern, follow up with the individual to ensure the resolution was satisfactory and to rebuild trust.

#### Step 6: Learn & Adapt

Use the feedback as a learning opportunity. Identify any recurring issues or valid points made and make adjustments to your product or service accordingly.

#### Step 7: Report & Review

Report the feedback and your response to relevant team members. Review your approach regularly to improve how you manage negative feedback.

# **General Notes**

#### **Be Professional**

Always maintain professionalism, regardless of the tone of the feedback. Responding negatively can severely damage your brand's reputation.

### **Record Keeping**

Keep records of significant interactions in case they need to be referred to in the future or used for staff training.

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