

## Yahoo Messenger Gets Axed on July 17

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AIM (AOL Instant Messenger) was discontinued last October by Yahoo (Oath) and now Yahoo is killing its own messaging platform. Yahoo Messenger has been around for years, but they can't compete with Facebook, WhatsApp, Snapchat and others. The thing is, Yahoo is directing people to another messenger app they started testing a while ago called Squirrel. It's beta and invite only, but you can [request access here](#) . I have no idea why they'd kill one to start another. It makes as much sense as Google having three messaging apps for Android. None.

*"There currently isn't a replacement product available for Yahoo Messenger," the company writes. "We're constantly experimenting with new services and apps, one of which is an invite-only group messaging app called Yahoo Squirrel (currently in beta)." Squirrel is a group messaging app Yahoo started testing last month.*

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