

Facebook agrees to refunds on in-app purchases by minors

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In this May 16, 2012, file photo, the Facebook logo is displayed on an iPad in Philadelphia. Court documents show Facebook has agreed to allow users to request refunds of in-app purchases made by minors as part of a May 2016 settlement of a class-action lawsuit. (AP Photo/Matt Rourke, File)

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The lawsuit was brought in 2012 by two children and their parents. It claimed the children racked up hundreds of dollars in purchases of Facebook Credits, a since-discontinued currency used by the site.

Under the [settlement](#) approved by a California federal court in May, Facebook agreed to add an option for requesting an in-app purchase refund on the grounds that it was made by a minor. It also agrees to have a dedicated team to handle such requests.

Menlo Park, California-based Facebook hasn't responded to a request for comment.

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