5 STEPS TO CHOOSING THE RIGHT POLY PERSONAL SOLUTION FOR WORKING FROM HOME

As working from home, at least some of the time, is the new normal with most of the day spent on voice and video calls, selecting the correct headset is critical to getting the job done. Poly has a range of headsets solutions to enable focus and productivity while staying connected to colleagues and customers. With options to suit every budget, wearing preference, and connectivity needs, you can choose from corded or wireless, Active Noise Canceling (ANC) or not, Microsoft Teams or standard, and the list goes on.

Consider these key points when choosing the right work from home headset:

1. CONNECTIVITY IS KEY

Enterprise headsets can connect to either a single device or multiple devices. For connection to both a computer and a mobile device, select the Voyager UC series or Blackwire models that include a 3.5 mm connector.

2. WIRED OR WIRELESS

Looking to escape the noise, answer the front door or quickly check on children? Consider a wireless headset from either the Voyager or Savi family.

Looking for plug and play simplicity without the need to worry about charging? Consider the Blackwire range.

The Voyager 4210 UC and Voyager 4220 UC provides the best of both worlds. A wireless headset that can also be used as a wired headset if needed.

3. DISTRACTING NOISE

Shared houses can mean distracting noises that need reducing for both the headset user and other people on the call. Headsets with ANC and noise canceling microphone booms should be selected. These help users stay focused and ensure theirs is the only voice heard on the call. For the ultimate in noise reduction performance, consider the Blackwire 8225.

4. WHICH WEARING STYLE IS RIGHT?

Poly headsets come in several different styles to suit individual needs. For users working in a distracting environment with lots of noise, consider a headset that covers both ears. For users who need to keep one ear open to their surroundings, look for a headset that covers just one ear. Or you can select a headset with ANC and an open microphone feature such as the Voyager Focus UC that both cancels noise and lets you hear what's going on around you. For users who are new to headsets, there's a convertible headset like the Savi 8240 UC that includes several different wearing options in the box.

5. DISCREET DESIGN

For users that spend most of their time on video calls and are looking for a discreet wearing style, look to either the Voyager 5200 UC with its over the ear design or the Voyager 6200 UC with its behind the neck with ear bud design.

6. WE SAID FIVE, BUT WE ARE ADDING A VERY IMPORTANT 6TH—ADD A QUALITY PERSONAL VIDEO CAMERA

Working at a home office desk or the kitchen table? It doesn't really matter but what does matter is you need to look your best. Not any old camera will do. To experience your favorite cloud-based video meetings in a meaningful way, you need vivid color and clear detail, not to mention the need to detect sometimes subtle, nonverbal cues, such as body language and facial expressions. When people can see each other, they feel more emotionally connected and engaged—greatly reducing fatigue and enhancing decision-making abilities.

POLY HEADSET OPTIONS AT A GLANCE

	BLACKWIRE FAMILY	SAVI 8200 UC SERIES	VOYAGER UC SERIES
Wireless range	Corded only	DECT™: Up to 590 ft/180 m line of sight	Bluetooth: Up to 98 ft/30 m
Active Noise Canceling option	Blackwire 8225 Blackwire 7225	Savi 8220 UC	Voyager Focus UC Voyager 6200 UC Voyager 8200 UC
Microphone noise reduction	Noise-canceling Noise-canceling with Acoustic Fence Technology—Blackwire 8225	Noise-canceling, close conversation limiting	Various, depending on model
Talk time	Unlimited as no battery is needed	Unlimited with Savi 8245; up to 13 hours for Savi 8210/ Savi 8220	Up to 12 hours
Wearing style options	Over-the-head mono or stereo	Over-the-head mono or stereo Convertible Savi 8240 UC	Over-the-head mono or stereo Neckband Voyager 6200 UC Over-the-ear Voyager 5200 UC
Connectivity	Computer (and smartphone for some Blackwire models)	Computer	Computer and smartphone
Works with the most popular softphone platforms	Yes	Yes	Yes
Microsoft Teams certified	Yes	Yes	Yes

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