

With a BlackBerry, how do I send PIN-to-PIN messages?

Each BlackBerry device is assigned a unique eight-digit number called a personal identification number (PIN). You can find your BlackBerry's PIN by selecting the **Options** icon and clicking **status**. Your PIN will appear in the **Status** screen.

You can send messages directly to a BlackBerry user's PIN rather than to the user's email address in two ways, depending on whether you have the PIN stored in a contact in your address book. If you have a contact in your address book with the PIN entered, you can select the PIN using the Compose application:

1. Select the **Compose** icon (the open envelope and pencil).
2. In the "To:" list, scroll to the correct contact. Click the trackwheel to display a drop-down menu for the contact.
3. Select **PIN** from the menu for the contact.
4. Compose your message, and send it as usual.

When the message is sent, it will be routed using the PIN rather than the email address.

Note: The next time you select that contact with the **Enter** key, the PIN will be used rather than the email address. To reset the contact to use an email address, simply follow the directions above and select **Email** rather than **PIN** from the menu.

If you want to enter a PIN not associated with a contact, you can type the PIN directly into the "To:" field:

1. Select the **Compose** icon (the open envelope and pencil).
2. Scroll up to [**Use Once**] at the top of the "To:" list. Click the trackwheel to display a drop-down menu.
3. From the menu, select **PIN**. Enter the PIN, and press **Enter**.
4. Compose your message, and send it as usual.