

Need another word that means the same as “forbid”? Find 22 synonyms and 30 related words for “forbid” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Forbid” are: disallow, interdict, nix, prohibit, proscribe, veto, foreclose, forestall, preclude, prevent, ban, outlaw, make illegal, exclude, rule out, bar, debar, block, stop, put a stop to, put an end to, declare taboo**

## Forbid as a Verb

### Definitions of "Forbid" as a verb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “forbid” as a verb can have the following definitions:

- *Order (someone) not to do something.*
- *(of a circumstance or quality) make (something) impossible; prevent.*
- *Keep from happening or arising; make impossible.*
- *Refuse to allow (something).*
- *Command against.*
- *Refuse entry to a place or area.*



## Synonyms of "Forbid" as a verb (22 Words)

<b>ban</b>	Ban from a place of residence as for punishment. <i>Parking is <b>banned</b> around the harbour in summer.</i>
<b>bar</b>	Secure with or as if with bars. <i>He <b>barred</b> the door.</i>
<b>block</b>	Block passage through. <i><b>Block</b> trains.</i>
<b>debar</b>	Prevent the occurrence of; prevent from happening. <i>They were <b>debarred</b> entry to the port.</i>
<b>declare taboo</b>	Declare to be.
<b>disallow</b>	Refuse to declare valid. <i>He was offside and the goal was <b>disallowed</b>.</i>
<b>exclude</b>	Remove from consideration. <i>The cost for the trip <b>excludes</b> food and beverages.</i>
<b>foreclose</b>	Rule out or prevent (a course of action). <i>The bank was threatening to <b>foreclose</b> on his mortgage.</i>
<b>forestall</b>	Act in advance of (someone) in order to prevent them from doing something. <i>They will present their resignations to <b>forestall</b> a vote of no confidence.</i>
<b>interdict</b>	Intercept and prevent the movement of (a prohibited commodity or person). <i>Army efforts to <b>interdict</b> enemy supply shipments.</i>
<b>make illegal</b>	Charge with a function; charge to be.
<b>nix</b>	Put an end to; cancel. <i>He <b>nixed</b> the deal just before it was to be signed.</i>
<b>outlaw</b>	Declare illegal outlaw. <i>Secondary picketing has been <b>outlawed</b>.</i>
<b>preclude</b>	Prevent from happening; make impossible. <i>The secret nature of his work <b>precluded</b> official recognition.</i>
<b>prevent</b>	Keep (something) from happening. <i>Action must be taken to <b>prevent</b> further accidents.</i>
<b>prohibit</b>	(of a fact or situation) make (something) impossible; prevent. <i>All ivory trafficking between nations is <b>prohibited</b>.</i>
<b>proscribe</b>	Denounce or condemn. <i>Certain customary practices which the Catholic Church <b>proscribed</b> such as polygyny.</i>
<b>put a stop to</b>	Arrange thoughts, ideas, temporal events.

- put an end to** Put into a certain place or abstract location.
- rule out** Mark or draw with a ruler.
- stop** Stop and wait as if awaiting further instructions or developments.  
*A security guard was killed trying to **stop** a raid.*
- veto** Exercise a veto against a decision or proposal.  
*I **vetoed** the idea of a holiday.*



### Usage Examples of "Forbid" as a verb

- *The cliffs forbid any easy turning movement.*
- *My sense of tact forbids an honest answer.*
- *I can see why phones were forbidden.*
- *My doctor has forbidden me to eat sugar.*
- *I forbid you to call me late at night.*
- *All vehicles are forbidden.*
- *I was forbidden from seeing him again.*



## Associations of "Forbid" (30 Words)

<b>ban</b>	100 bani equal 1 leu in Moldova. <i>The Presbyterians were under the <b>ban</b> of the law.</i>
<b>banned</b>	Forbidden by law.
<b>contraband</b>	Trade in smuggled goods. <i>The salt trade and <b>contraband</b> in it were very active in the town.</i>
<b>contravention</b>	Coming into conflict with. <i><b>Contravention</b> of parking restrictions.</i>
<b>deny</b>	Deny oneself something restrain especially from indulging in some pleasure. <i>The servants are ordered to <b>deny</b> him.</i>

<b>deter</b>	Try to prevent; show opposition to. <i>Strategists think not only about how to <b>deter</b> war but about how war might occur.</i>
<b>disallow</b>	Command against. <i>He was offside and the goal was <b>disallowed</b>.</i>
<b>discouraged</b>	Having lost confidence or enthusiasm; disheartened. <i>He must be feeling pretty <b>discouraged</b>.</i>
<b>forbidden</b>	Excluded from use or mention. <i>A list of <b>forbidden</b> books.</i>
<b>forestall</b>	Act in advance of (someone) in order to prevent them from doing something. <i>He would have spoken but David <b>forestalled</b> him.</i>
<b>hinder</b>	Hinder or prevent the progress or accomplishment of. <i>The brace I have to wear is <b>hindering</b> my movements.</i>
<b>illegalize</b>	Declare illegal; outlaw.
<b>impermissible</b>	Not permitted or allowed. <i><b>Impermissible</b> behavior.</i>
<b>inhibit</b>	To put down by force or authority. <i><b>Inhibit</b> the action of the enzyme.</i>
<b>instantaneously</b>	Without any delay. <i>Now we can communicate <b>instantaneously</b> with the rest of the world.</i>
<b>interdict</b>	(in the Roman Catholic Church) a sentence debarring a person or place from ecclesiastical functions and privileges. <i>Society will never <b>interdict</b> sex.</i>
<b>interdiction</b>	The action of prohibiting or forbidding something. <i>Battlefield air <b>interdiction</b>.</i>
<b>outright</b>	Directly or openly. <i>He was killed <b>outright</b>.</i>
<b>pessimistic</b>	Tending to see the worst aspect of things or believe that the worst will happen. <i>He was <b>pessimistic</b> about the prospects.</i>
<b>preclude</b>	Keep from happening or arising; make impossible. <i>His difficulties <b>preclude</b> him from leading a normal life.</i>
<b>prohibit</b>	Formally forbid (something) by law, rule, or other authority. <i>All ivory trafficking between nations is <b>prohibited</b>.</i>
<b>prohibition</b>	Refusal to approve or assent to. <i>They argue that <b>prohibition</b> of drugs will always fail.</i>

<b>prohibitionist</b>	A reformer who opposes the use of intoxicating beverages.
<b>prohibitory</b>	Tending to discourage (especially of prices).
<b>proscribe</b>	Denounce or condemn. <i>Strikes remained <b>proscribed</b> in the armed forces.</i>
<b>proscription</b>	Condemnation or denunciation of something. <i>He plays a the priest whose moral <b>proscriptions</b> lead only to catastrophe.</i>
<b>stonewall</b>	Obstruct or hinder any discussion. <i>She has also <b>stonewalled</b> queries about her love life.</i>
<b><u>taboo</u></b>	Place under a taboo. <i>Many <b>taboos</b> have developed around physical exposure.</i>
<b><u>unauthorized</u></b>	Not having official permission or approval. <i><b>Unauthorized</b> access to the computer system.</i>
<b><u>veto</u></b>	A rejection by right of veto. <i>The President <b>vetoed</b> the bill.</i>

