

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)

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

ban

100 bani equal 1 leu in Moldova.

*The Presbyterians were under the **ban** of the law.*

banned

Forbidden by law.

contraband

Trade in smuggled goods.

*The salt trade and **contraband** in it were very active in the town.*

contravention

Coming into conflict with.

***Contravention** of parking restrictions.*

deny

Deny oneself something restrain especially from indulging in some pleasure.

*The servants are ordered to **deny** him.*

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

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

