FAQ

How long will it still be possible to redownload previously purchased content on Nintendo eShop for Wii U and Nintendo 3DS? How long will those platforms still support online play?

For the foreseeable future, it will still be possible to redownload games and DLC, receive software updates and enjoy online play on Wii U consoles and Nintendo 3DS systems.

However, it is not possible to redownload demo versions after the end of purchases on 27 March 2023, even if you have downloaded a demo version of a game before.

If I visit Nintendo eShop for Wii U or Nintendo 3DS after 27 March 2023, what am I able to do?

On both platforms, users are still able to:

- Redownload content they own
- Download existing software updates

On both platforms, users are **not** able to:

- Purchase any content
    - On Nintendo 3DS systems, this includes paid content, plays and passes in software such as StreetPass Mii Plaza, the Theme Shop, Nintendo Badge Arcade and *Pokémon Bank*.
    - On Wii U consoles, this includes passes in software such as Wii Sports Club.
- Download demos
- Download free-to-start software
- Redeem download codes
- Add funds to their Nintendo eShop balance

On Nintendo 3DS systems, users are still able to:

- Download a small number of free themes from the Theme Shop

After 27 March 2023, what can I do with my existing Nintendo eShop balance on Nintendo 3DS or Wii U?

If you have unused funds on Nintendo eShop for Nintendo 3DS or Wii U, linking your Nintendo Network ID to your Nintendo Account and merging your funds will allow you to continue to use those funds to purchase digital download titles, DLC, passes and other similar items for Nintendo Switch. The service for merging funds will remain available until March 2024.