

To make a GEDCOM from Ancestry: Good News and Bad News

Steps you need to do to **create a GEDCOM** ...to move all your work to Family Search

GEDCOM does not support media files like photos and documents in Ancestry Gallery

Must move media separately

Vitals and sources will transfer

In ancestry, first click "Trees" in the "Navigation bar" at the top of the page and select "Create and Manage Trees"

Find the tree you wish to export and click "manage tree" next to it.

Click the Green button on the right labeled "Export tree".

The tree will be generated as a GEDCOM file.

When the GEDCOM file has finished generating, a green button labeled "Download your GEDCOM file" will appear. Name your GEDCOM file. Click on this button to save the file to your computer.

To import Gedcom into Family Search:

Go to "**Search/ Genealogies**" at top of any Family Search page

Go to bottom of page and click "**Submit Tree**" / "**Add Gedcom**"

After it says it's through adding, follow directions to process uncertain records by reviewing results

New persons will be added to their families

Existing persons will be ignored

"Potential matches" must be reviewed by you and accepted or rejected

Can stop and Return to this place on "Genealogies /submit tree/my uploaded files" anytime to continue to review.

Sources

From my experience, all sources transferred may not carry the all important URL link to the document

Sources made in FamSearch and RecordSeek and then attached to Ancestry, transfer ok

1. The bad news is that sources made in Ancestry and Record Seek are links to Ancestry's private server and anyone without an **active Ancestry account** cannot see them. To correct this, use Family Search to find them again and attach them to the FS Tree. Anyone can see this source and it will be there forever. Then delete the Ancestry source.