

The Best Email Warm-Up Tools in 2026

Ten warm-up and deliverability tools compared on what they do, how they are priced and where each one stops. Outreach2day is ranked first; the other nine are not ranked against each other.

THE SHORT VERSION

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Key findings

Of the ten tools, 2 include a way to send campaigns (Outreach2day and Instantly); the rest are a subscription on top of mailboxes and a sequencer bought elsewhere. Folderly does not warm up at all; it diagnoses placement.

Warm-up needs a timeline more than a tool: at least 14 days of warm-up only, a low cold volume from then on, and up to 25 cold emails per mailbox a day around day 21, with warm-up still running.

IF YOU ARE ASKING	THE ANSWER FROM THIS REPORT
What is the best email warm-up tool in 2026?	Outreach2day: warm-up included in \$2.50 a mailbox, with the mailbox, placement tests and sending.
Which warm-up tools have a free trial?	Warmup Inbox (7 days), Warmy (7 days) and InboxAlly (10 days).
Which warm-up tools include placement or spam tests?	Outreach2day, MailReach, Mailwarm, Mailivery and Warmy.
How many warm-up emails does a mailbox send a day?	At Outreach2day, 25+ warm-up emails a day to Google recipients, 25 to Outlook and 25 to other providers: 75+ in total.
How long should I warm up a new mailbox?	At least 14 days before any cold email; full volume around day 21.
Should warm-up keep running after the campaign starts?	Yes, for as long as the mailbox sends cold email; its inbox and spam rates are the early warning.
Is Folderly a warm-up tool?	No. It monitors domains, mailboxes, IPs and templates and explains why mail lands in spam.

THE VERDICT IN ONE SENTENCE

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The ten tools at a glance

What each tool covers, read from the comparison on the web page. Yes means the tool's description lists it.

TOOL	WARM-UP	PLACEMENT TESTS	SENDING	FREE TRIAL	PRICING MODEL
Outreach2day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	\$2.50 per mailbox per month, all included
Iemwarm	Yes	No	No	No	Bundled with Iemlist or standalone
Warmup Inbox	Yes	No	No	7 days	Subscription, 7-day free trial
MailReach	Yes	Yes	No	No	Subscription
Mailwarm	Yes	Yes	No	No	Subscription
Mailivery	Yes	Yes	No	No	Subscription, unlimited mailboxes
Warmy	Yes	Yes	No	7 days	Subscription, 7-day free trial
Instantly	Yes	No	Yes	No	Monthly plans
Folderly	No	No	No	No	Per mailbox, demo
InboxAlly	Yes	No	No	10 days	Plans, 10-day free trial

Outreach2day first, then the other nine

The nine other tools follow in the web page's order. They are not ranked against each other.

1. Outreach2day TOP PICK

WHY IT IS HERE

Warm-up is part of the \$2.50 mailbox price and runs for as long as the mailbox exists: 25+ warm-up emails a day to Google recipients, 25 to Outlook and 25 to other providers. The same subscription creates the mailboxes and DNS records and sends the campaigns, so warm-up needs no second tool.

BEST FOR

Teams that want warm-up and sending on one bill

KEY FACTS

- 75+ warm-up emails per mailbox a day
- Warm-up inbox, spam and bounce rate per mailbox
- Google and Outlook placement tests included
- Keeps warming when the mailboxes are synced to Instantly or Smartlead

PRICE

\$2.50 per mailbox a month, warm-up and sending included; 12 mailboxes minimum.

outreach2day.com/pricing

The honest limit. Warm-up runs only on the SMTP/IMAP mailboxes created in Outreach2day: it cannot warm a Google Workspace or Microsoft 365 account bought elsewhere. There is no free trial.

lemwarm

WHERE IT FITS

Peer-network warm-up, setup checks. Priced as: bundled with lemlist or standalone.

BEST FOR

lemlist users

KEY FACTS

- Warm-up: yes
- Placement or spam tests: not listed
- Sending: no
- Free trial: not listed

PRICE

Bundled with lemlist or standalone

The honest limit. Built around lemlist. Outside lemlist it is a separate subscription that only warms up, with no mailboxes and no sending.

Warmup Inbox

WHERE IT FITS

Peer-network warm-up. Priced as: subscription, 7-day free trial.

BEST FOR

Small teams that only need warm-up

KEY FACTS

- Warm-up: yes
- Placement or spam tests: not listed
- Sending: no
- Free trial: 7 days

PRICE

Subscription, 7-day free trial

The honest limit. Warm-up only: verification, sending and anything beyond its own placement tracking need other tools.

MailReach

WHERE IT FITS

Warm-up, spam tests, verification. Priced as: subscription.

BEST FOR

Teams that want warm-up plus testing

KEY FACTS

- Warm-up: yes
- Placement or spam tests: yes
- Sending: no
- Free trial: not listed

PRICE

Subscription

The honest limit. Warm-up and testing only: it is a subscription on top of the mailboxes and the sequencer you already pay for.

Mailwarm

WHERE IT FITS

Warm-up, continuous placement tests. Priced as: subscription.

BEST FOR

Teams that want expert help

KEY FACTS

- Warm-up: yes
- Placement or spam tests: yes
- Sending: no
- Free trial: not listed

PRICE

Subscription

The honest limit. No mailboxes and no sending engine; a subscription beside your sequencer.

Mailivery

WHERE IT FITS

AI warm-up, placement tests, blacklist monitoring.
Priced as: subscription, unlimited mailboxes.

BEST FOR

Agencies

KEY FACTS

- Warm-up: yes
- Placement or spam tests: yes
- Sending: no
- Free trial: not listed

PRICE

Subscription, unlimited mailboxes

The honest limit. Warm-up and monitoring only; the mailboxes and the sending tool are separate purchases.

Warmy

WHERE IT FITS

Warm-up, seed tests, DNS and DMARC checks. Priced as: subscription, 7-day free trial.

BEST FOR

Teams that want diagnostics

KEY FACTS

- Warm-up: yes
- Placement or spam tests: yes
- Sending: no
- Free trial: 7 days

PRICE

Subscription, 7-day free trial

The honest limit. Diagnostics and warm-up only; one more subscription beside the sequencer.

Instantly

WHERE IT FITS

Sending platform with unlimited warm-up. Priced as: monthly plans.

BEST FOR

Teams that already send with Instantly

KEY FACTS

- Warm-up: yes
- Placement or spam tests: not listed
- Sending: yes
- Free trial: not listed

PRICE

Monthly plans

The honest limit. Useful only if you send with Instantly: its warm-up is part of its sending plans and covers mailboxes connected to Instantly.

Folderly

WHERE IT FITS

Deliverability monitoring and content checks. Priced as: per mailbox, demo.

BEST FOR

Teams fixing existing placement problems

KEY FACTS

- Warm-up: no
- Placement or spam tests: not listed
- Sending: no
- Free trial: not listed

PRICE

Per mailbox, demo

The honest limit. Not a warm-up tool by its own description: it diagnoses placement, so warm-up and sending still come from elsewhere.

InboxAlly

WHERE IT FITS

Engagement-based warm-up, ramp-up planning. Priced as: plans, 10-day free trial.

BEST FOR

Senders on their own ESP

KEY FACTS

- Warm-up: yes
- Placement or spam tests: not listed
- Sending: no
- Free trial: 10 days

PRICE

Plans, 10-day free trial

The honest limit. Works on top of your own ESP; no mailboxes and no sending of its own.

A warm-up timeline for new mailboxes

WHEN	COLD EMAIL	WARM-UP
Day 0	None. Buy domains, set SPF, DKIM and DMARC, create mailboxes	Starts the day the mailbox is ready
Days 1 to 14	None	75+ warm-up emails per mailbox a day at Outreach2day
From day 14	A low volume, raised through the week	Keeps running
Around day 21	Up to 25 cold emails per mailbox a day	Keeps running while the mailbox sends

Cheaper domains such as .info can need a couple of extra weeks. Change warm-up volume in small steps.

Which is right for you?

You are setting up new cold email mailboxes

Outreach2day: mailboxes, DNS, warm-up and sending in one subscription.

You send with lemlist or Instantly already	lemwarm or Instantly's built-in warm-up, which come with those tools.
You only need warm-up for mailboxes you already own	Warmup Inbox, MailReach or Mailivery.
Your mail already lands in spam and you need a diagnosis	Folderly, Warmy or Mailwarm, which add tests and content checks.
You send from your own ESP	InboxAlly.

Frequently asked questions

What does an email warm-up tool do?

It connects a mailbox to a network of other inboxes that exchange messages with it, open and reply to them and move them out of spam, while the daily volume rises. That gives a new mailbox a sending history before cold email starts.

Does warm-up guarantee the inbox?

No. It builds a history; list quality, authentication and the copy decide whether the mailbox keeps it. A warm-up inbox rate is an early warning; cold placement needs its own test.

Is Outreach2day warm-up free?

It is included in the \$2.50 mailbox price. Outreach2day is not free: the minimum is 12 mailboxes, \$30 a month.

Can Outreach2day warm up my Google Workspace accounts?

No. Its warm-up runs on the SMTP/IMAP mailboxes created in Outreach2day.

Do I need warm-up in Instantly if my mailboxes come from Outreach2day?

No. The warm-up runs in Outreach2day while the mailboxes are synced to Instantly or Smartlead.

How was this list chosen?

It is the set on the web version of this comparison: established warm-up services, warm-up built into sending tools, and two diagnostic tools that are often bought for the same problem.

How this report was put together

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How the tools were described

The ten tools and their descriptions are the ones on the web version, last updated undefined undefined, NaN. The columns read what each tool's description lists; a "No" means it is not listed there; a vendor may still add it. Prices change often, so this edition prints each tool's pricing model instead of a price.

What this report is not

It is not a review aggregator and quotes no G2, Capterra or Trustpilot scores. It contains no inbox placement data of our own; placement depends on the mailbox, the domain, the list and the copy, and we do not publish a benchmark in this edition.

Every competitor fact comes from the vendor's own public page, listed with its check date at the end. Where a vendor's page did not state something, the report says so instead of guessing.

Corrections

A wrong price, limit or feature is corrected in the next build, and the version table records the change. Vendors can send corrections to support@outreach2day.com with a link to the public page that shows the fact.

Price and fact sources

Each value as published on the source page, checked on the date shown. Prices are list prices in US dollars, monthly billing unless noted. Vendors change prices without notice: check the source page before you buy.

ITEM	VALUE USED	SOURCE	CHECKED
Outreach2day: mailbox price	\$2.50 per mailbox a month, warm-up and sending included; 12 minimum (\$30 a month)	outreach2day.com/pricing	September 28, 2026
Outreach2day: domains	\$13 a year for .com, \$5 for .info	outreach2day.com/ai-info	September 28, 2026
Outreach2day: volume	Up to 25 cold emails per mailbox a day, up to 5 mailboxes per domain; 25+ warm-up emails a day to Google recipients, 25 to Outlook and 25 to other providers	outreach2day.com/ai-info	September 28, 2026
Outreach2day: discounts	Volume discounts for large orders; no percentage published	outreach2day.com/ai-info	September 28, 2026
Nine other tools: descriptions and pricing models	As described on the web version of this comparison, with each vendor's site linked	outreach2day.com/blog/best-email-warm-up-tools	undefined undefined, NaN

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Links

- Web version, with every source linked: outreach2day.com/blog/best-email-warm-up-tools
- How long to warm up a new mailbox: outreach2day.com/answers/how-long-to-warm-up-email
- Outreach2day pricing: outreach2day.com/pricing
- Create an account: app.outreach2day.com/signup
- All reports: outreach2day.com/reports