

Check the URL

The URL might look okay in a message or email but might take you to a page setup to extract personal information. Its best to type the URL into the web browser rather than clicking on a link.

Outsmart "Phishing" attempts

Never provide your personal & financial information to an unsolicited email, SMS, phone call or website even if they appear to be legitimate. If you are unsure its best to contact the company directly and ask if they have sent the message or request.

TOP 10 TIPS

TO KEEP YOU SAFE ONLINE

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Always check the senders email address

Misspellings and other types that could indicate that they are not the real senders.

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Shop safely with reputable online retailers and marketplaces

Online shoppers should feel empowered to do their research about the products and sellers before making a purchase. You can learn about a retailer or sellers reputation from reviews and comments left by other shoppers online.



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Learn to spot the tell-tale signs of a secure site

Secured sites have URL's that start with https:// and should have a padlock icon in the browser frame. Sites that use Extended Validation (EV) SSL show a green highlight in the address bar.

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Use a safe and trusted payment method when shopping online

Always use a payment service that has programs to protect you, Beware of online merchants that only accept unusual requests such as cash-in-mail payment.

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Use privacy setting and sharing controls

Social Media platforms offer privacy settings and controls that help you decide who can see your content before you post it, refrain from posting personal details about your family or friends publicly.

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Protecting your Devices

Protect your devices by using a passcode or password. Leaving devices unlocked could result in unwanted account hacking.



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Use a long, unique Password

Choose a password that is hard to guess, made up of numbers, letters and symbols for each of your important accounts. Don't use the same password for your email and bank account.

Think before you Reveal

Think twice before you post something that could damage your reputation and that someone could use to embarrass or hurt you.



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