

5 Online Security Best Practices to Know

We bank, shop, schedule doctor's appointments, and share photos and life updates online.

With the constant threat of cybercrime and online fraud, how can you keep your sensitive information safe and protect your online privacy?

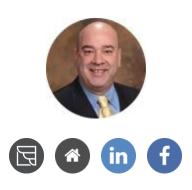
You probably already have the basics covered, but it's never a bad idea to review the best ways to protect your financial information, online assets and more.

- **1. Manage your passwords.** Simple passwords might be convenient, but they're also security risks. Investigate your options and choose a secure password manager to set a solid foundation for online security.
- **2. Embrace two-factor authentication.** Two-factor authentication may involve an extra step, but that second layer of security helps ensure it's you accessing your account and not someone looking to compromise your data or commit a fraudulent act.
- **3. Make regular system updates.** System updates often come with the latest security software designed to protect your device from known vulnerabilities. Regularly check your phone, tablet and computer for updates or turn on automatic system updates.
- **4. Recognize red flags.** Educate yourself on common online scams so you can avoid clicking on the wrong link. Knowing the common red flags for phishing scams or malware can help you avoid some security pitfalls.**5. Set up security alerts.** Set up security alerts to help you catch any suspicious behavior early. For example, many banks allow you to sign up for email and text alerts. You can also establish credit monitoring alerts.

While there are many ways to protect yourself from malicious activity online, it's always possible that your data could be compromised. If you recognize any suspicious activity, report it to the relevant authority, such as your bank or the Social Security Administration, update your passwords and review your online security protocols.

Do you have questions or need to check in? Reach out today.

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