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BASIC DIGITAL SAFETY

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STAY SAFE ONLINE

Key Digital Safety Tips

Understand and recognise threats that exist online, learn how to protect yourself and your sensitive information and avoid potential risks you might face when using the internet with these simple steps

Always create strong passwords

Create long, complex and unique passwords using minimum 12 characters. Use a variety of characters: uppercase letters, lowercase letters, numbers, and special symbols. Don't use information that can be guessed, e.g. birthdays or names.



Enable Two-Factor Authentication

Set up a second form of verification, e.g. a text message code or app notification, when logging in to your online accounts to improve your online accounts security.



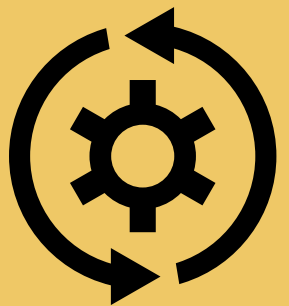
Be careful with links & attachments

Never click on links or download attachments from unknown sources – there's a risk they will lead to scam websites or contain harmful malware.



Keep your software updated

Update the operating system on your devices, browser, and apps regularly. Set up updates to automatic wherever possible.



Be careful what you post online

Only share necessary personal information online and be careful not to accidentally show any personal information on photos or videos you share online, e.g. card details, home address. Remember, that once posted online, information can be difficult to remove.



Use public Wi-Fi with caution

Avoid logging into sensitive accounts (e.g. email, online banking, etc) on public Wi-Fi. You can use Virtual Private Network (VPN) or a personal hotspot for a safer connection.



Use an antivirus

Protect your devices with an antivirus programme and make sure you update it regularly for optimum protection.



Back up your files

Have a copy of your files (work, photos, music, etc) stored on cloud or another device to prevent losing files in case you fall victim of an internet virus.



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