

Protect Your Information

At Home

- Pull your credit report at least once annually
- Secure important documents and shred anything with personal identifying information
- Mail bills from the Post Office or use online bill pay
- Monitor accounts, even those you don't use regularly
- Hang up on callers asking for personal information, or account information
- Opt out of pre-approved credit offer by visiting: optoutprescreen.com
- Get rid of unwanted catalogs/marketing by visiting: catalogchoice.org

In Public

- Be aware of your surroundings and safeguard valuables
- Examine ATM and payment devices before use
- Cover pad when entering your PIN and never carry PINs with cards
- Don't carry your social security number around
- Be wary of public Wi-Fi and disable Bluetooth when not in use
- Password protect mobile devices and set-up "Find my"
- Update your operating system when upgrades are available

Online

- Update anti-virus software frequently
- Password protect devices
- Don't open attachments or links unless you have verified it is authentic
- Be selective in the sites you visit
- Look for https (or locked symbol indicating secure sites) when entering personal information
- Protect your home Wi-Fi with a strong password
- If your computer is running slow or you notice something unusual scan your device ASAP

On Social Media Sites

- Check and re-check privacy settings, especially after an update to the site
- Review "friends" list – watch for "fake friends" who infiltrate sites to blend with a group
- Beware of bogus links and avoid quizzes, even those that seem harmless
- Don't "check in" when traveling and disable geotagging on your mobile devices. To disable look up the instructions for your device.