

STOP. THINK. CONNECT.

How to stay **safe** online

Don't use a single password for all online accounts

Protect your personal information by creating long, strong and unique passwords that combine capital and lowercase letters with numbers and symbols.

Don't click on unsafe links

Clicking on links in emails, tweets, posts and online advertising is a common way for cyber criminals to compromise your computer. Be wary of communications that implore you to act immediately.

Connect to secure Wi-Fi

Setting up and connecting to password-protected or private Wi-Fi hotspots will limit who can access your computer.

Stay updated

Keeping your security software, web browser and operating system current and updated is the best defence against viruses, malware and other online threats.

Think before you act

Remember that what you do online can affect your reputation at home, at work and in larger society. Carefully consider whether what you are posting or sharing is appropriate.

Protect your wallet

Online banking and shopping is an everyday occurrence for many. Double check that the sites you use are security enabled. Look for web addresses that start with <https://> (this means the site is securing your information).