

Protect personal and financial information online

The IRS and Security Summit partners remind people to take these basic steps when shopping online:



- Use security software for computers and mobile phones – and keep it updated.
- Make sure anti-virus software for computers has a feature to stop malware, and that there is a firewall enabled that can prevent intrusions.
- Use strong and unique passwords for all accounts.
- Use multi-factor authentication whenever possible.
- Shop only secure websites by looking for the "https" in web addresses and the padlock icon.
- Avoid shopping on unsecured and public Wi-Fi in places such as coffee shops, malls or restaurants.

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