

Top 5 Information Security and Fraud Tips from Liberty Bank

Keep a clean machine

- Keep security software current to defend against viruses, malware and other online threats.
- Turn on automatic software updates
- Protect all devices that connect to the internet from viruses and malware.
- USBs and other external devices can be infected by viruses and malware. Use your security software to scan them.

Protect your personal information

- Strengthen your online accounts by enabling additional authentication tools or by using a unique one-time code through an app on your mobile device.
 Usernames and passwords are not enough to protect key accounts like email, banking and social media.
- A strong password is at least 12 characters long. On many sites, you can even use spaces!
- Create unique passwords for each unique account to help thwart cyber criminals.
- Separate your work and personal accounts and make sure that your critical accounts have the strongest passwords.

Connect with care

- When in doubt throw it out. Links in emails, social media posts and online advertising are often how cyber criminals try to steal your personal information.
- Get savvy about Wi-Fi hotspots. Limit the type of business you conduct when on Wi-Fi and adjust your device's security settings to limit who can access it.

 Protect your money: Check sites to see if security is enabled. Look for web addresses with "https://" which means the site takes extra measures to secure your information.

Be web-wise

- Stay current and keep pace with new ways to stay safe online, checking trusted websites for the latest information and share with friends, family, and colleagues.
- Think before you act and be wary of communications that implore you to act immediately.
- Protect your valuable work, music, photos and other digital information by making an electronic copy and safely storing it.
- Report stolen finances or identities and other cyber crime to the internet crime complaint center (www.ic3.gov) and to your local law enforcement or state attorney general, as appropriate.

Own your online presence

- Personal information is like money; value it and protect it. Be thoughtful about who knows your purchase history or current location and how it's collected through apps and websites.
- Be aware of what's being shared by setting the privacy and security settings on web services and devices to your comfort level for information sharing.
- Think before posting about yourself and others online.
 Consider what a post reveals, who might see it and how it could be perceived now and in the future.



Find your confident place.

