Stay #CYBERAWARE

While on the go!

Safety Tips for Mobile Devices

Mobile Devices

Smartphones, tablets and laptops, are always within reach everywhere you go, whether for work, travel or entertainment. These devices make it easy to connect to the world around you, but also contain personal information about you, your friends and family, such as contacts, photographs, location and financial data. Stay #CYBERAWARE while on the go.

Secure Your Devices

Use strong passwords, passcodes or biometric locks, like fingerprint.

Keep Security Software Current

Having the most up-to-date mobile security software, web browser, operating system and apps is the best defense against viruses, malware and other online threats.

Delete When Done

Many of us download apps for specific purposes, such as a planning a vacation, and no longer need them afterwards. It's a good security practice to delete all apps you no longer use.

Encryption

Consider using a VPN application to encrypt your mobile device traffic, especially when connected to free WiFI.

Be WiFi Wise

Disable WiFi and Bluetooth when not in use. Some stores and locations look for devices with WiFi and Bluetooth turned on to track your movements while you are within range.

Connect With Care

Use common sense when you connect. If you're online through an unsecured or unprotected network, be cautious like you would on your computer.

SECURITY SETTINGS

Do not alter security settings offered by your wireless service provider on your smartphone. Doing so, will make it more susceptible to an attack.

MOBILE SECURITY

Mobile security apps can be useful in locating and recovering stolen devices. Features include remote tracking and locking and erasing personal data.

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How to Report a Lost or Stolen Smart Device

Is your smartphone missing? Has someone stolen your tablet? Visit the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) page at www.fcc.gov for instructions on how to report a lost or stolen device and for a complete listing of service provider information.

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