

Shopping Safely Online

Finding great shopping deals online can come with risks that you can avoid!



Some things you should know:

- 1. Use your credit card.** Using your debit card for online purchases can be risky as it is linked directly to your bank account and doesn't have the same fraud protections as a credit card or payment services like PayPal. Not ready for a credit card? [Try our Reloadable VISA Cards](#)
- 2. Check for the 's'.** Legitimate websites have https at the beginning of the site's name. Example: <https://www.firstpacecu.com> If you don't see the 's' at the end of http, the site is not encrypted and your data will not be secure.
- 3. Don't wait to update.** Update your device's security software when updates are available.
- 4. Outsmart scams.** Don't give out personal information to fraudsters. Don't click on links or attachments you don't recognize. Free gift cards and holiday bonuses are usually unbelievable for a reason...They're fake!
- 5. Don't do your shopping on public WI-FI.** Don't log into your banking site on a public network either! Public networks are not secure and your information could be stolen easily.

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