

# Computer Security & Cyber Fraud

Computers have become another means for criminals to enter your home and take your personal information.

Wireless Internet and networks can often compromise your computer's security. When using a home or business wireless network, don't do secure transactions, such as banking or online shopping.

Always use password protection when first setting up your wireless account.

When choosing a password, consider the following:

- Passwords should be a combination of upper and lower case letters, symbols, and numbers
- Passwords should be changed frequently
- Don't use common words, series, or keyboard sequences
- Use different passwords and increase the complexity for the level of risk associated

Criminals are also now able to access your information by targeting you or your children through social networking sites, multi-player computer games, chat rooms, and peer-to-peer downloads.

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