

HOW TO PROTECT YOUR ONLINE SOCIAL MEDIA PROFILES

COMPLEX PASSWORDS: Use a strong password. The longer it is, the more secure it will be.

PASSWORD MANAGEMENT: Use a different password for each of your social media accounts.

ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT: Set up your security answers. This two factor authentication is available for most social media sites.

DEVICE MANAGEMENT: If you have social media apps on your phone, be sure to password protect your device.

BE SELECTIVE: With friend requests. If you don't know the person, don't accept their request. It could be a fake account. Once access has been granted they can profile you and share your information with cyber criminals who could then target you.

TREAT LINKS WITH CAUTION: Social media accounts are regularly hacked. Look out for language or content that does not sound like something your friend would post.

SHARE WITH CARE: Be careful about what you share. Don't reveal sensitive personal information for example home address, financial information, phone number. The more you post the easier it is to have your identity stolen.

PRIVACY POLICIES: Become familiar with the privacy policies of the social media channels you use and customize your privacy settings to control who sees what.

ANTIVIRUS SOFTWARE: Protect your computer by installing antivirus software to safeguard it. Also ensure that your browser, operating system, and software are kept up to date.

LOG OFF: Remember to log off when you're done.