

# Security Tip of the Week



## Online Shopping

Shopping on the Internet can be economical, convenient, and as safe as shopping in a store or by mail, especially if you follow these tips:

- Know exactly who you're dealing with, what you're buying, and what it will cost.
- Pay by credit or charge card, for maximum consumer protection.
- Use secure web sites
- Don't send personal information (Social Security number, credit card number, etc.) in an email or through instant messaging.
- If you are required to set up an account, do not use a password that you are using elsewhere.
- Carefully examine any SSL certificate errors.
- Check out the terms of the deal, including refund policies and delivery dates.
- Print and save records of your online transactions.
- Consider using an escrow service, such as <http://escrow.com>.

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