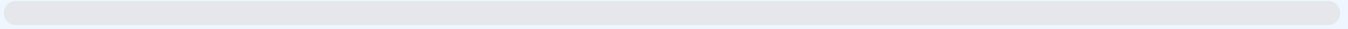


# Identity Protection Planner

Interactive tool for protecting your personal information and planning identity theft recovery

Protection Progress: 0%



## Personal Information Protection Checklist

- ☐ **Store Social Security card securely** HIGH  
Keep your Social Security card in a locked safe or safety deposit box, not in your wallet.

- ☐ **Shred sensitive documents** HIGH  
Use a cross-cut shredder for bank statements, medical bills, and pre-approved credit offers.

- ☐ **Use strong, unique passwords** HIGH  
Create different passwords for each account using a password manager.

- ☐ **Enable two-factor authentication** HIGH  
Add 2FA to all financial accounts, email, and social media.

- ☐ **Review credit reports regularly** MEDIUM  
Check all three credit bureaus at AnnualCreditReport.com at least once per year.

- ☐ **Monitor bank and credit card statements** MEDIUM  
Review statements monthly for unauthorized charges or suspicious activity.

- ☐ **Secure home Wi-Fi network** MEDIUM  
Use WPA3 encryption, change default router password, and hide network name.

- ☐ **Opt out of pre-screened credit offers** LOW  
Call 1-888-5-OPT-OUT to reduce mail theft risk and junk mail.

- ☐ **Use informed delivery from USPS** LOW  
Get email previews of incoming mail to detect missing items.

- ☐ **Limit social media information sharing** MEDIUM  
Avoid posting birth date, address, phone number, or vacation plans publicly.

## Credit Freeze / Fraud Alert Setup Guide

A credit freeze prevents new accounts from being opened in your name. It's free to place and lift.

### Equifax

1-800-685-1111

[equifax.com/freeze](https://equifax.com/freeze)

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### Experian

1-888-397-3742

[experian.com/freeze](https://experian.com/freeze)

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### TransUnion

1-888-909-8872

[transunion.com/freeze](https://transunion.com/freeze)

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## Identity Theft Recovery Action Plan

If you become a victim of identity theft, follow these steps in order:

**Immediately**

### 1. Place fraud alerts on credit reports

Contact one bureau; they'll notify the others. Initial alert lasts 1 year.

**Within 24 hours**

### 2. Report to FTC at [IdentityTheft.gov](https://www.identitytheft.gov)

Create an official Identity Theft Report and get a personalized recovery plan.

**Within 24 hours**

### 3. File a police report

Some creditors require this. Bring your FTC report and any evidence.

**Within 48 hours**

### 4. Contact affected companies

Call fraud departments of banks, credit card companies, and other affected accounts.

**Within 1 week**

### 5. Review credit reports thoroughly

Request free reports from all three bureaus and dispute fraudulent accounts.

**Ongoing**

### 6. Monitor accounts and credit

Continue checking statements and credit reports for several months.

## Build Your Personal Protection Action Plan

### Action Item

e.g., Set up credit monitoring service

### Deadline

mm/dd/yyyy



Add to Plan

## Ongoing Monitoring Recommendations

### Weekly

Check bank and credit card transactions online

### Monthly

Review all financial statements for unauthorized activity

### Quarterly

Check one credit bureau report (rotate through all three)

### Annually

Review all three credit reports and update passwords