

## Scam & Fraud Reporting Cheat Sheet

Phone scams • Email phishing • Identity theft tips | Last updated June 2026

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### WHEN TO REPORT

- Robocalls, IRS/social security impersonators, prize/lottery scams
- Phishing emails (Netflix, Amazon, bank, government impersonation)
- Smishing (scam texts) and fake delivery notifications
- Someone asked for gift cards, wire transfers, or crypto as payment

### WHO TO REPORT TO — QUICK REFERENCE

Agency / Service	Best For	Contact
FTC	All scams & fraud	reportfraud.ftc.gov
FCC	Robocalls & Do Not Call violations	consumercomplaints.fcc.gov
FBI IC3	Internet crime & phishing	ic3.gov
APWG	Phishing emails	report@phishing.apwg.org
Your carrier	Block repeat scam numbers	Use phone spam report feature

### INFORMATION TO COLLECT BEFORE YOU REPORT

Scam phone number or email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and time of contact: \_\_\_\_\_

What the scammer claimed (IRS, bank, prize, etc.):  
\_\_\_\_\_

Amount requested (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Did you click a link or share personal info? (yes/no):  
\_\_\_\_\_

### DO NOT

- Click links in suspicious emails or texts
- Press buttons on robocalls ("Press 1 to unsubscribe" confirms your number)
- Send money via gift cards, wire transfer, or cryptocurrency
- Share SSN, bank login, or 2FA codes with unsolicited callers

### IF YOU ALREADY FELL FOR A SCAM

- Contact your bank immediately to freeze accounts
- Change passwords on affected accounts
- Place a fraud alert at [annualcreditreport.com](https://annualcreditreport.com)
- File at [reportfraud.ftc.gov](https://reportfraud.ftc.gov) and [ic3.gov](https://ic3.gov) — include every detail



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## Scam Reporting — Incident Log

Track each scam attempt to strengthen your report

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### INCIDENT LOG (duplicate for each attempt)

Incident #1

Date / time: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number or email: \_\_\_\_\_

Type (call / text / email): \_\_\_\_\_

Summary of what happened: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident #2

Date / time: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number or email: \_\_\_\_\_

Type (call / text / email): \_\_\_\_\_

Summary of what happened: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident #3

Date / time: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number or email: \_\_\_\_\_

Type (call / text / email): \_\_\_\_\_

Summary of what happened: \_\_\_\_\_

### REPORTING CHECKLIST

- Screenshot or photo of caller ID / email header
- Reported to FTC at [reportfraud.ftc.gov](https://reportfraud.ftc.gov)
- Reported phishing email to [report@phishing.apwg.org](mailto:report@phishing.apwg.org)
- Blocked number on phone and carrier app
- Warned family members about the same scam
- Monitored bank and credit accounts for 30 days

