

Tips and Tools

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- **Be aware of your emotions.**
- **If it sounds too good to be true...**
- **Protect your personal information.**
- **The IRS and Social Security Administration will not call you unexpectedly.**
- **Beware of payment via gift cards, bitcoin, transfers**
- **Don't click links/attachments in unexpected emails and texts.**
- **Talk to someone you know and trust before acting on anything.**
- **Verify, verify, verify before trusting**



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Signs of a Scam

Recognizing the signs of a scam gives you the power to protect yourself.

Pretend – scammers love to pretend to be someone else.

Problem – there is a problem.

Promise – relationship, absolute trust, lots money, etc.

Prize – there is a big prize.

Pressure – need to act immediately.

Pay – gift cards, wire transfer, bitcoin, etc.