



*Learn the basics of online safety during*

# NATIONAL CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

**National Cyber Security Awareness Month (NCSAM)** – held annually in October – is a collaborative effort between government, industry and organizations of all sizes to help you – and everyone – stay safer and more secure online.



Online safety is our shared responsibility, and it starts with **STOP. THINK. CONNECT.**™ Follow these tips throughout October – and year-round! – to help protect yourself and your information and promote a more trusted internet for everyone.

## OWN YOUR ONLINE PRESENCE

Set the privacy and security settings on websites to your comfort level for information sharing. It's OK to limit how and with whom you share information.

## PERSONAL INFORMATION IS LIKE MONEY. VALUE IT. PROTECT IT.

Information about you, such as purchase history or location, has value – just like money. Be thoughtful about who gets that information and how it's collected by apps and websites.

## SHARE WITH CARE

Think before posting about yourself and others online. Consider what a post reveals, who might see it and how it could be perceived now and in the future.

## KEEP A CLEAN MACHINE

Keep all software on internet-connected devices – including PCs, smartphones and tablets – up to date to reduce risk of infection from malware.

## GET 2-STEPS AHEAD

Turn on two-step authentication – also known as two-step verification or multi-factor authentication – on accounts where available. Two-factor authentication can use anything from a text message to your phone to a token to a biometric like your fingerprint to provide enhanced account security.

## GET STARTED TODAY!

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