

**Connect
and be
digitally
safe**



CONNECT AND BE DIGITALLY SAFE

The super 7 tips for connecting safely



Got a strange text or email?

Emails or texts from strangers can contain fake links or attachments. Don't click on links or open attachments that you're not expecting.



Use a strong PIN or passcode to lock your mobile

Your phone knows a lot about you. Locking it with a long PIN/passcode or your fingerprint will help stop anyone else being able to snoop on you. (But remember to let your parent or guardian know what it is).



Avoid logging into online accounts using public Wi-Fi

You can never be too sure who else is connected. It's okay to browse sites or play games but you wouldn't want someone else picking up your private info. And don't forget to disconnect from public Wi-Fi when you're finished.



Restrict what you share on social media

Don't share your address, phone number, date of birth, passwords, or other personal information online & don't forget to check your privacy settings so that you are in control of who can see what you post.



Download software updates regularly

Make sure you have the latest version downloaded. The best way to keep your device secure is to enable automatic updates where possible.



Use trusted apps from official app stores

Reading reviews about the app will help you to spot whether it is a genuine app or fake.



Passwords: Mix them up and make them long

Create strong passwords by using three or four random words or use a sentence. This makes it easy for you to remember, but hard for someone else to guess.

www.bankofireland.com/security

Disclaimer: This information is intended only as guidance to increase awareness of online fraud and, while Bank of Ireland has made every effort to ensure the accuracy of this content, no responsibility is accepted by, nor liability assumed by or on behalf of, Bank of Ireland.

Bank of Ireland is regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland.