

# 'Tis the Season for Cybercriminals

## TIPS FOR A SECURE HOLIDAY SHOPPING SEASON

### Use strong passwords

CHOOSE A PASSWORD THAT INCLUDES NUMBERS, SPECIAL CHARACTERS, AND UPPER AND LOWER CASE LETTERS.



### Credit over debit

CYBERCRIMINALS THAT ARE EQUIPPED WITH YOUR DEBIT CARD INFO HAVE THE ABILITY TO DRAIN YOUR BANK ACCOUNT. CREDIT/CHARGE CARD TRANSACTIONS ARE PROTECTED BY THE FAIR CREDIT BILLING ACT.

### Update your security software

MAKE SURE YOUR COMPUTER HAS THE LATEST SECURITY UPDATES INSTALLED.



### Set your browser to block popups

DO NOT CLICK! LEGITIMATE COMPANIES DO NOT USE POP-UPS.

### Say no to public wifi

CYBERCRIMINALS MAY BE MONITORING PUBLIC WIRELESS FOR CREDIT CARD NUMBERS AND OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.



### Select your merchants carefully

DON'T FALL FOR PHONY WEBSITES. MAKE SURE THE WEBSITE IS LEGITIMATE. LOOK FOR WEBSITES THAT START WITH HTTPS://.

# Happy Holidays!