

Top tips for a safe festive season online

1. Online shopping - Protect your PC with antivirus software and be aware of online shopping fraud and think twice before entering payment card details on a website.
2. Christmas e-cards - One common ecard scam involves ecards that download malware.
3. Holiday & ticketing fraud - Always do as much research as you can about the organisation you're booking through.
4. Donating to charity – Check if the charity has been registered by the Commission then search for it via the public register of charities.
5. Social media scams - Fake coupons and discounts, bogus gift card offers and fake apps
6. Be careful of what you are posting on social media - Avoid to post details of your travel dates on social media or travel tracking sites, ensure that the correct privacy settings are in place.
7. Keep a close eye on your bank and credit card statements so you can quickly dispute any suspicious charges.

