



Top 10 tips for privacy

- 1 Think before you give out personal information, and ask what it will be used for.
- 2 You can ask to see any personal information held about you. If it's wrong, ask for it to be corrected.
- 3 Don't like people trying to sell you things by mail or over the phone? Contact the Marketing Association (0800 222 332) to ask about its Name Removal Service.
- 4 Help keep your kids safe online by encouraging them to talk to you about what they're doing.
- 5 Protect yourself from identity theft by ripping up your personal letters and bills, and putting different bits in separate rubbish bins. Even better – use a shredder.
- 6 Limit your risk when buying online. Have a separate, low-limit credit card.
- 7 Posting personal information on the internet? Use a nickname if you can.
- 8 Check security procedures in internet cafés and make sure you log out before you leave.
- 9 Get a free copy of your credit record once a year to check that nobody is applying for credit in your name. Visit www.mycreditfile.co.nz or www.dnb.co.nz for details.
- 10 Make sure you've got up-to-date safety software on your computer, especially if you're doing banking online.

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