



# HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST FRAUD

Cybercriminals are getting sneakier – and targeting seniors and other vulnerable adults. Use these tips to help you protect your personal information and finances when doing business online or closing a real estate transaction.

- Save your bank, title company and closing agent's direct phone numbers into your phone.
- Set a family code word or question for unusual phone calls.
- Never share passwords or codes over the phone.
- Avoid clicking unexpected links or scanning QR codes from emails or texts.
- Type website addresses directly into your browser.
- Treat any wiring instruction changes during a real estate transaction as suspicious – always call your closing agent/Escrow Officer to verify.
- Check bank and credit accounts weekly during the holidays, and during a real estate closing.
- Shred sensitive mail and documents.
- If something feels off, pause and call a trusted number.

For more information, please contact your local Old Republic Title representative.

Old Republic Title is committed to combating fraud by working with local and federal law enforcement agencies and applying best practices to stop fraudsters in their tracks.