Stay Secure
This Holiday Season!

Holiday shopping season is in full swing, and many in the UA community are shopping and preparing to travel during the long break. Shopping online can be more efficient and convenient, but there may be bigger risks than you think, with hackers hiding out on cyber shopping venues. And larger crowds both in malls and airports provide a target-rich environment for thieves, including the identity variety.

Our final newsletter for 2016 highlights online and physical safety during the holidays as you shop and travel. We provide you with security tips and trends to help you protect yourself, your identity, and your family this winter season.
Traveling for the Holiday Season? Follow Our Security Tips

BEFORE YOUR TRIP

- **Travel light:** If you don’t absolutely need a device, leave it at home.
- **Go disposable:** Consider purchasing a “burner” or disposable phone in your destination country.
- **Travel with “clean” devices:** If you must take your own device, remove all regulated and confidential data.
- **Use strong passwords and device timeouts** for all accounts and devices that you will use overseas.
- **Sign up for Global NetID+ Two-Factor Authentication:** Doing so decreases the risk that your sensitive personal information will be accessed, should your UA NetID become compromised while traveling.
- **Use the UA Virtual Private Network (VPN):** UA’s VPN provides a secure connection from your computer to the Internet, and can be used on multiple platforms and devices.

DURING YOUR TRIP

- **Keep track** of what credentials you use while traveling.
- **Keep your technology with you** or securely hidden and locked.

AFTER YOUR TRIP

- **Change passwords** for all services you accessed while away.
- **Scan your devices** for malware.

For more tips on travel security, visit our [Travel Security webpage](#).

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How to Shop Safely Online All Year Long

Security Basics from CSO Online

CSO Online’s Steve Ragan provides you with tips that will help you stay safe year-round, but especially are important to remember during this shopping season. Visit CSO Online’s [slideshow](#) for more information.

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StaySafeOnline’s Guide to Cyber Safe Holiday Shopping

StaySafeOnline is a go-to security resource for UA Information Security and many National Cyber Security Alliance Champions all year long. This year, in anticipation of Cyber Monday (November 28), they have published a Cyber Safe Holiday Shopping Resource. This two-page guide provides you with tips to help you avoid identity theft, credit card fraud, drive-by malware downloads, and more.

Visit StaySafeOnline’s [website](#), or download the [guide](#) for great safety tips.