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Safe Shopping Cyber Security Guide

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IF IT'S TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE IT PROBABLY IS

Be aware of unrealistic discounts or coupons, many of them are scams.

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AVOID BUYING FROM SITES YOU DON'T KNOW

Purchasing from known sites reduces
the risk of being scammed.

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DON'T SCAN QR CODES

Criminals can place their own sticker over the legitimate one. So that when you scan it, you will be redirected to a fake site

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DON'T USE FREE WIFI TO CHECK PRICES

Criminals can connect to your device,
instead use mobile data or VPN.

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VERIFY YOU'RE ON THE CORRECT SHOPPING CART PAGE

You may be on a fake page that looks exactly like the official one.

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PAY WITH A CREDIT CARD

You may be paid back if you quickly report fraudulent transactions. Don't use debit card

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OR EVEN BETTER PAY WITH A GIFT CARD

Gift Cards are not tied to your bank account and have a limited amount.

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**ONLY USE WEBSITES
THAT START WITH
"HTTPS://"**

Ensure the "s" is in there and there's a
"lock" next to the url.

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WATCH OUT FOR EMAILS ABOUT SHIPPING ISSUES

Don't click on links, instead manually go to the official site and check if there are any issues.

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AVOID POSTING ONLINE WHAT YOU PURCHASED

Scammers may scam you by following up with you as if they were the merchant.

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NOT SURE ABOUT A SITE/LINK?

Run the URL through [VirusTotal.com](https://www.virustotal.com) to
check if it's fine.

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RECEIVED A GIFT CARD? MAKE SURE IT'S LEGIT

If someone sent you get a gift card,
before clicking on it, verify it's legit by
thanking the person who gave it you

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**DON'T ACCEPT
ELECTRONIC GIFTS SUCH
AS USB MEMORY STICKS**

They can be full of malware.

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FINALLY
Have fun!

Don't let cyber criminals take the fun
away from shopping.

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