

# Four scams you should know about

Unfortunately, thieves are always creating new ways to target the public. That's why we never stop tracking their tactics and keeping you informed. Here's how to spot, avoid, and defend against the latest scams.



## IRS imposter scam

Have you received a call from an "IRS Marshall"? You may have been a target for this phone scam. If the caller claims you have unpaid taxes, they're often fishing around for your personal information to use to commit identity fraud. It's important to note, the IRS will never ask for sensitive information over the phone.



## One ring scam

When you receive a phone call from a number you don't know, and it only rings once — don't call back. Scammers make these calls hoping you'll dial the number on your caller ID. They use a toll number to charge you for the return call, scamming you into a big charge on your phone bill.



## Tech support scam

If you receive a call, pop-up warning, or search result from "tech support," you're right to be wary. In this scam, fake representatives from well-known technology companies may demand money to "fix" the problem or ask for remote access to your computer. If this happens, simply hang up the phone or close out of your browser. These thieves may be looking to hack or steal your information to commit other scams like credit card fraud.



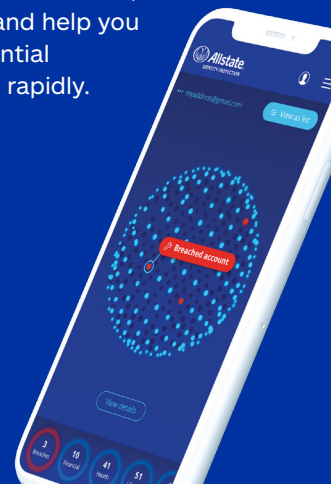
## SSA imposter scam

In this scam, a caller will pose as a representative of the Social Security Administration and threaten to "suspend" your benefits unless you send money or give personal information to "verify" your account. Remember — the real SSA will never contact you out of the blue, even if the caller ID appears to be legitimate.

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