



MOBILE DEVICES TIPS & TRICKS

ALWAYS use a strong passcode - at least 6 characters. This length makes it much harder for an attacker to guess or brute force your pin or passcode. Additionally - do not use any dates that are memorable to you as these can be trivially found online in most cases.

AS SOON as an update is available, download it and install in onto your device. Security updates mitigate vulnerabilities which, after a short time, become publicly exploitable.

BACKUP your device regularly. If your device is lost, stolen or has a malfunction you can lose all of the data it contains. Backing your device up makes restoring your device and information easy - saving you time and money.

iPhone users should make sure they have "Find my iPhone" on - this allows geolocation tracking, remote ringing and wiping of a device if it is lost or stolen. Also in the settings you can allow the phone to be wiped after 10 failed password guesses incase an attack is trying to guess your password.

DO NOT share your device's password with anyone, especially work devices containing sensitive information. This helps to avoid personal or business information being read, modified and stolen by a third party.

ENCRYPT all of your devices which allow you to do so, this makes it much harder for an attacker who has physical access to your device to steal the data inside. Also, if your devices uses external storage such as an SD card encrypt that too.

PASSWORDS shouldn't be saved on your devices notes or memo app. If your phone is unlocked that is one of the first places attackers will look for information.

ANDROID users should actively encrypt their devices, as unlike iPhones, they are not encrypted by default. As well as this, install apps only from the Google Play store that are popular is good practice as apps are not verified to be legitimate by Google before being published on the Play Store.

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