

Module 8: Safe Searching and Browsing Checklist

Safe searching and browsing keeps you protected from scams, malware, and misleading information online. Al tools in browsers and search engines now help detect dangerous websites and suspicious results. This checklist will help you stay secure every time you go online.

Smart Searching Habits
\square Type website addresses directly instead of clicking unknown links.
\square Check the website address (URL) carefully. Look for misspellings or extra characters.
\square Prefer official sources (government, banks, health sites) when looking for sensitive information.
Al Safety Features
\square Enable Safe Browsing or Enhanced Protection in your web browser (for example, Chrome or Edge).
\square Use AI-powered security tools or extensions that block phishing and unsafe sites.
\square Pay attention to browser warnings before entering personal information.
Device and Browser Settings
\square Keep your browser updated with the latest security patches.
\square Turn on automatic updates for your operating system and apps.
☐ Clear cookies and browsing history regularly to reduce tracking.

▲ Spotting Red Flags
\square Pop-ups asking for personal details are almost always scams.
\square Websites with many spelling errors, poor design, or aggressive ads are often unsafe.
\square If an offer looks 'too good to be true,' it usually is. Leave the site immediately.
Family and Caregiver Tips
\square Share suspicious links with a trusted family member before clicking.
\square Teach relatives how to recognize browser warnings.
\square Encourage group discussions about safe browsing habits.
By following these steps and using AI safety tools built into browsers, you greatly reduce the chances of landing on unsafe websites or falling for online traps.

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