

One of the biggest concerns about using the internet for shopping is around the safety of using cards (e.g. credit, debit or bank cards) online. Many people avoid internet banking because they are worried about security. But, just like day-to-day shopping, it's safer if you take precautions.

Using secure connections

A secure connection means that information passing through other computers on the way from your device to the shop's is encrypted, so it can't be stolen en route. You can tell a site is secure if it starts 'https' and has a padlock on the web address bar. If you see the padlock, you're safe to send card details. If you don't, **don't send them!**



Code 1



Choosing a secure password

Having a password that is hard to guess is important. Use the tool from QR code 1 to test how secure your passwords are and see if they could be more secure. **Never give your password to anyone. Your bank will never ask you for it either**

Credit Cards & PayPal

If you use a Credit Card online you are normally protected against any identity theft. The other option is to use online payment methods, such as PayPal. PayPal keep your card details safe and you then pay through them, protecting you from identity fraud. Follow QR code 2 to see a promotional video explaining PayPal.

Code 2

