

# UNDERSTANDING EMPLOYMENT SCAMS

## EMPLOYMENT SCAMS target people with the promise of a job.

Employment and online job scams that take advantage of job seekers in a number of ways. Most often, jobs are posted on social media forums, people receive phone calls or offers are sent through email.



The promise of a job is not the same thing as a job. If you have to pay to get the job, give your credit card information or the ad is for a “previously undisclosed” job, it is likely a scam.



Always be careful of work-from-home or secret shopper positions. If the job is for a well-known brand, check the company's job web page to see if the position is posted there.



Unusual procedures should worry you. On the spot job offers and jobs that promise great opportunities or income if you pay for training, certifications or directories are a red flag.



Before you get help from a job placement company, contact the company to see if they are hiring and get details in writing. Also, check the Better Business Bureau or local consumer protection agency for complaints.

**STOP. THINK. DON'T BE FOOLED.**

Notify your bank immediately if you have given out your information, so they can help protect your account.

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