

UNDERSTANDING FAKE CHECK SCAMS

FAKE CHECK SCAMS often appear to be from legitimate sources.

In a fake check scam, someone asks you to deposit a check and send part of the money to someone you don't know.



Don't rely on money from a check unless you know and trust the person you are dealing with. **Never use money from a check to send gifts cards, money orders or wire money to strangers or someone you just met.**



When funds from a check are available, it does not mean the check is good. **It can take weeks to discover a fake check.** By the time the check is known as fraudulent, the money you sent is long gone and **you have to pay the bank back.**



Fake checks come in many forms. They can look like **business or personal checks, cashier's checks, money orders or a check delivered electronically.**



If you wired money to a scammer or paid them with a gift card, **call those companies immediately and put a stop on your payment.** You can also report fraud at www.ftc.gov or to your state Attorney General.

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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