

# 5 Ways to Safeguard Your Mobile Device



Mobile devices can hold huge amounts of personal information.

Here are 5 ways to safeguard against loss, theft or threats, such as viruses and spyware:



Change default or **factory passwords**.



Only download apps from **trusted sources**.



Avoid **public hotspots** for sensitive transactions.



Keep your devices, software and apps **up-to-date**.



Use **automatic lock features**, requiring a password, swipe pattern or PIN to open the device.



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