

If you're a victim of fraud,  
please notify:

Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre  
1-888-495-8501

Visit [www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca](http://www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca)

In case of emergency, call 911

For non-emergency calls,  
contact the Mission RCMP at  
604-826-7161



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Centre antifraude du Canada

## BE SURE TO VISIT US AT

33131 1st Ave, Mission, BC  
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(604) 820-2722  
[info@missioncpo.ca](mailto:info@missioncpo.ca)

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# FRAUD PREVENTION

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Mission Crime Prevention Office

# PROTECT YOURSELF FROM SCAMS AND FRAUD

## What is Fraud?

Fraud is a deliberate act (or failure to act) with the intention of obtaining an unauthorized benefit, either for oneself or for the institution, by using deception or false suggestions or suppression of truth or other unethical means, which are believed and relied upon by others.



Scammers can target any Canadian or Canadian business. Here are some tips to protect yourself or your business from scams and fraud.

### Don't be afraid to say NO!

- Don't be intimidated by high-pressure sales tactics. If a telemarketer tries to get you to buy something or send them money right away:

Request the information in writing or hang up the phone.

### Do your research.

- Always verify that the organization you're dealing with is legitimate before you take any other action.

### Don't give out personal information!

- Be aware of unsolicited calls where the caller asks you for personal information.

### Be aware of upfront fees

- Many scams request you to pay fees in advance of receiving goods, services, or a prize. It's illegal for a company to ask you to pay a fee upfront before they'll give you a loan.
- There are no prize fees or taxes in Canada. If you won it, it's free.



### Protect your computer

- Watch out for urgent-looking messages that pop up while you're browsing online. Do not click on them or call the number they provide.

