FREE GUIDE

Scam-Call Survival Checklist

15 red flags. Spot them in seconds, shut the call down safely.

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Scammers stole billions last year, and their scripts get better every month. Print this, keep it by the phone, and share it with parents and grandparents — they are the #1 target.

- ■ **1. Urgency pressure**
  “Act NOW or else” — real companies don't threaten you on a first call.
- ■ **2. Spoofed caller ID**
  The number looks local or official. It can be faked in seconds.
- ■ **3. Asking for gift cards**
  No legitimate business or agency takes payment in gift cards. Ever.
- ■ **4. Crypto or wire transfers**
  Irreversible payments are a scammer's favorite.
- ■ **5. Remote access requests**
  “Install this app so we can fix your computer” — never do it.
- ■ **6. Prize you never entered**
  You didn't win a lottery you never played.
- ■ **7. Threats of arrest**
  Police and the IRS don't call to demand money.
- ■ **8. Verification codes**
  Never read back a code texted to you — that's YOUR account being hijacked.
- ■ **9. Overpayment trick**
  They 'accidentally' send too much and ask you to return the difference.
- ■ **10. Romance fast-forward**
  Declares love in days, then needs money for an emergency.
- ■ **11. Tech support popups**
  Your computer is NOT infected because a website said so.
- ■ **12. Charity pressure**
  Fake charities surge after disasters. Verify before donating.
- ■ **13. Too-good job offers**
  High pay, no interview, just send your bank details? No.
- ■ **14. Silence test**
  Scammers stay silent waiting for you to say 'yes' — they record it.
- ■ **15. Callback trap**
  Missed call from unknown number? Don't call back premium-rate numbers.

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