

Identity Theft and Fraud

Theft Quiz: Are You the Perfect Victim?

Don't make it easy for thieves to steal your identity. Take this quiz* to help you assess your risk of becoming an identity theft victim.

- _____ 1. I receive several offers of preapproved credit every week. (5 points)
Add another 5 points if you don't shred them.
- _____ 2. I carry my Social Security card in my wallet. (10 points)
- _____ 3. My driver's license has my Social Security number on it. (10 points)
- _____ 4. I don't have a post office box or a locked, secured mailbox. (5 points)
- _____ 5. I use an unlocked, open box at work or at home to mail my bills. (10 points)
- _____ 6. I carry my military ID in my wallet at all times. (10 points)
- _____ 7. I provide my Social Security number whenever asked, without asking about how it will be safeguarded. (10 points) Add 5 points if you provide your number orally without checking to see who might be listening.
- _____ 8. I'm required to use my Social Security number at work as an employee ID or at school as a student ID number. (5 points)
- _____ 9. My Social Security number is printed on various documents frequently seen in the workplace, such as on time cards. (10 points)
- _____ 10. I have my Social Security number and/or driver's license number printed on my personal checks. (10 points)
- _____ 11. I carry my insurance card in my wallet, and either my Social Security number or that of my spouse is on it. (10 points)
- _____ 12. I haven't ordered a copy of my credit report for at least two years. (20 points)
- _____ 13. I don't protect my discarded personal, credit, and financial information from thieves by shredding them prior to putting them in the trash. (10 points)

Add your score. If it's 100 points or more, you're at high risk for ID theft. If your score is 50-100, you're at average risk, but your risk is higher if you have good credit. If your score is 0-50 points, you have a low risk of being an ID theft victim.

My Score: _____ **My Risk:** _____

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