Twitter offers privacy settings for your security. These are our recommendations:

- Block “Direct Messages” from people you do not know
- Change your password on a regular basis
- Check your settings periodically to review permissions to your account and data access
- If you want to restrict your audience to specific user accounts, deny follow requests from people you do not know
- De-select all Twitter tracking options
- Establish and maintain connections with only people you know and trust; review your connections on a regular basis
- Encourage your family and friends to take similar precautions with their accounts; their privacy and sharing settings can expose your personal data
- Require login verification and personal information to reset your password
- Set your account to “Private” to control who may follow (see), retweet (share), or quote (share with comment) your tweets
- Use secure browser settings when possible and monitor your browsing history to ensure that you recognize all access points

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Be Alert

Assume anyone can see information you post about your activities, location, and personal and professional life, regardless of your privacy settings.

Once You Tweet, You Can’t Delete

Twitter’s Safety & Security Website

Note:
The recommendations in this brochure are based on the settings available at the time of this publication. These settings are not a guarantee of security or safety; caution should be exercised whenever using social media services.
For optimum security, match your Twitter Privacy Settings to this example:

Access your Twitter account settings by clicking on your account picture.

**Privacy**

- **Personalization**: Tailor Twitter based on my recent website visits
- **Promoted content**: Tailor ads based on information shared by ad partners.

**Security**

- **Login verification**: Don’t verify login requests
  - Send login verification requests to XOX:XXX:XXX
  - Send login verification requests to the Twitter app
  - Approve requests with one tap when you enroll in login verification on Twitter for iPhone or Twitter for Android. Learn more.

- **Password reset**: Require personal information to reset my password
  - When you check this box, you will be required to verify additional information before you can request a password reset with just your @username. If you have a phone number on your account, you will be asked to verify that phone number before you can request a password reset with just your email address.

**Additional Safety Features:**

Prevent harassment by other users by blocking their account.

The “Deactivate My Account” option is located under the **Account** tab.

**Note:** This only blocks the exact account associated with the blocked username. To stop the person from following you, on all alternate usernames you must completely turn your account to “private.”

**Note:** Anything previously posted on the Internet via your Twitter account will always be available to any adversary willing to search. Remember the rule: “Once you tweet, you can’t delete.”