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Snapchat – Top 20 Tips for Safe Use

1. Use a strong, unique password
2. Enable two-factor authentication. This adds an extra layer of security by requiring a verification code when logging in from an unfamiliar device.
3. Customise your privacy settings to limit who can contact you, view your story, and see your location.
4. Be cautious with location sharing only share your location with trusted friends, and consider using the “Ghost Mode” feature or disable the SnapMap to hide your location from others.
5. Regularly review your friends list and remove anyone who you no longer trust or want to share content with.
6. Avoid sharing personal information. Keep your full name, address, phone number, and other sensitive information private.
7. Be mindful of the content you post, as screenshots or screen recordings can make your content permanent, even if it is meant to disappear after being viewed.
8. Be cautious when clicking on links sent to you in messages, even from friends, as they could lead to phishing sites or malware.
9. Report and block suspicious users. If you encounter inappropriate behavior or receive unwanted messages, report and block the user.
10. Keep your app updated. Regularly update Snapchat to ensure you have the latest security features and fixes.
11. Avoid using public Wi-Fi or unsecured networks when using Snapchat to protect your data.
12. Log out when using shared devices or when you’re finished using the app for added security.
13. Educate yourself on Snapchat features. Stay informed about new features and how they impact your privacy and security.

14. Think before you snap. Consider the potential consequences of your content before posting it.
15. Use Snapchat's login verification feature to receive a unique code via SMS when logging in from an unfamiliar device.
16. Control who can see your stories and private snaps by adjusting the "Who Can..." settings.
17. Avoid using third-party apps that claim to offer additional Snapchat features, as they may compromise your security.
18. Save your photos and videos to your device or cloud storage to prevent accidental loss.
19. Encourage your friends to follow safety guidelines and maintain a safe Snapchat community.
20. Regularly visit Snapchat's official blog or safety center for updates and tips on how to stay safe on the platform.

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