## How to Recognise a Scam

## Did you know: Indigenous Australians lost more than \$4.3 million in scams in 2021.



Scammers target Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians to try and steal money and personal information. If you suspect you've seen a scam you can report it to the ACCC Indigenous Info Line on 1300 303 143.

## HOW TO SPOT THE SIGNS OF A SCAM

Scammers are getting more clever, but there are a few signs something may be a scam.

- Someone contacts you out of the blue Be careful if someone knocks on your door, calls, texts or emails you when you don't expect it.
- It sounds too good to be true If an offer sounds cheaper, easier or better than you've heard about, take some time to do a bit of research.
- Someone you don't know asks you to transfer money This is often a sure sign of a scam, so be very careful.
- An email or text uses the word like "urgent" This is a tactic scammers sometimes use to stop people from thinking through decisions.
- An email or text with spelling errors This can also be a sign of a scam, as scammers can use this tactic to try and get around detection software.

You can find more information on the Your Rights Mob Facebook page.

Sources: First Nations Foundation; ACCC; Scamwatch.

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