



BE SMART!

IRS IMPOSTER SCAMS

What to know about them and how to avoid them

WHAT IS IT?

A person calls and says they are a representative from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

SEE THE RED FLAG!

They say you owe back taxes and that you need to pay immediately or else you'll be arrested, sued, or deported.

WHAT TO KNOW

- **The IRS will contact you by mail.**
- Scammers use technology to alter caller ID. The phone numbers can appear to be from government agencies.

BE SMART!

- **DO NOT send any money!**
- Guard your personal and financial information very closely. Share only with trusted persons.

WHERE TO GET HELP

- Tell a friend or family member.
- File a report at uspis.gov or call 1-877-876-2455. Our investigation starts with your report. If you have been targeted or fallen victim to a scam, take action to help yourself and safeguard others.



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