

# PROTECT YOURSELF KNOW THE SCAM

## Gift Card Scam Alert

### Australian Tax Office and arrest warrant

Contact from someone claiming to be from the Australian Taxation Office or police. They may try to scare you into buying gift cards as payment for back taxes or an arrest warrant.

**Save your money... hang up the phone immediately.**

### Blackmail and sextortion

Threats to send intimate images or videos in exchange for gift cards to prevent release.

**Never send intimate images to anyone you have not met in person and do not purchase any gift cards.**

### Family impersonation scam

A message from who you believe to be a family member claiming that their phone has been lost or broken. They will request payment for an overdue bill by gift cards.

**Phone the family member on the number that you have for them or ask a friend about the request.**

### Discounted goods or services scam

Offers of large discounts on a product or service if you pay with a gift card.

**Buy goods through known trusted shops or websites.**

**For further information on scams affecting South Australians, please visit [www.police.sa.gov.au/scams](http://www.police.sa.gov.au/scams)**



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