



Internet Safety Tips for Parents & Guardians

- 1** Communicate with your child about his/her Internet experience. Discuss the importance of Internet safety and teach the basics
- 2** Set house Internet and mobile phone rules
- 3** Educate yourself on the latest threats facing children online and have a good understanding of how your child spend his/her time online
- 4** Keep the computer and any other Internet-enabled devices used by your child in a common room. Install firewall and antivirus software
- 5** Ensure parental control, parental consent, age verification and content lock are activated. Ensure barring process and filtering are in place
- 6** Analyse content providers' policies and their compliance. Check contractual flexibility (e.g. how to delete an account) and use of automated moderation filters in conjunction with humans
- 7** Check your child's page or profile on a regular basis. Track your child's spending online carefully
- 8** Tell your child to never use full names and share passwords. Prevent your child from sharing personally identifiable information (e.g. address, telephone number, name of school, sport club).
- 9** Ensure your child understand what it means to post photographs and any other content on Internet
- 10** Educate your child by explaining never to arrange to meet in person someone he/she first met online. Warn your child about expressing emotions to strangers directly online