



GIFT CARDS ARE HOW SCAMMERS LIKE TO GET PAID

Gift Cards are common, almost untraceable and can be shared online or on the phone and then easily converted to cash. Last year, consumers reported 124 million in losses for scams paid in the form of gift cards. You could avoid a scam by stopping to question a request for payment by gift card.

Here are four common scams:

Social Security Scams - If someone claims your Social Security Number was suspended but can be reactivated with a gift card payment, don't engage!

IRS Imposter Scams- If someone from the IRS calls to insist you have an unpaid bill and needs you to pay ASAP using a gift card, its not really the IRS!

Tech Support Scams- You get a call or see a pop-up message from a technician requesting remote access to your computer to fight off a looming threat. For their help they ask you to pay with gift cards. Don't do it!

Romance Scams-What does it mean when someone online makes an emergency request for money? It's a scam.

DON'T FALL FOR GIFT CARD FRAUD!