

Holiday Online Safety Checklist



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DEVICE AND APP CHECKS

- Games, apps and social media platforms are age-appropriate
- New apps or games are approved by a parent or carer
- Devices are used in shared family spaces
- Devices software is updated

PRIVACY AND PARENTAL CONTROLS

- Parental controls are switched on
- Privacy settings are set to “private” or “friends only”
- In-app purchases and downloads are restricted
- Location sharing is turned off

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SCREEN TIME AGREEMENTS

- Daily screen time limits are agreed and set on devices
- Screen-free times are planned (mealtimes, bedtime, family time)
- Online activities are balanced with offline play
- Expectations are clear and consistent

REPORTING AND SUPPORT PATHWAYS

- Child knows how to report concerns to a trusted adult
- Trusted adults are clearly identified in every setting
- Child knows what to do if something online feels unsafe
- Support contacts are accessible and visible

Online safety works best when trusted adults stay involved and children feel safe to speak up.