

IDENTITY THEFT



*TIPS ON PREVENTING
IDENTITY THEFT*

TRADITIONAL TACTICS

MAIL THEFT
DUMPSTER DIVING
SHOULDER SURFING
PURSE OR WALLET SNATCHING

HOW CAN IDENTITY THEFT AFFECT ME?

- drain your bank account
- make purchases with your credit cards
- open new accounts (bank, cell phone, utility, credit card, etc.) in your name
- get identity and government documents issued with your name
- receive medical care
- take out loans in your name

IMMEDIATE ACTION

1. Call any business where you know fraud took place.
2. Place an initial fraud alert on your files.
3. Order a credit report.
4. File a complaint about the theft with the FTC.
5. File a police report.

PROTECT yourself.
DETECT warning signs.
CORRECT problems that
arise if your identity is stolen