



## What is e-banking?

Electronic banking, or e-banking, is also called online banking. It means using a computer, a tablet, or a smartphone to do your banking.

Here are some things you can do with e-banking:

- Check your bank account activity and balance
- Pay your bills online
- Move money between your bank accounts
- Send money to other people through **e-transfers**



An **e-transfer** means sending money to someone else using a computer, a tablet, or a smartphone over the Internet.



Different banks let you do different things with e-banking, like open a new account or deposit a cheque. You can visit or call your bank to ask them about their e-banking services.

## Getting ready for e-banking

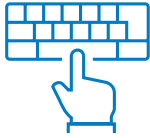
If you want to register for e-banking, you'll need to have some things ready. Every bank is different, so call your bank or visit your local bank branch to ask how to register for e-banking with them.

What you'll need:

- A bank account with your bank
- Your bank account number
- Your Social Insurance Number (SIN)

Someone at your bank will help you get registered—it only takes a few minutes!

Once you're registered, you can use your computer, smartphone, or tablet for e-banking. Download your bank's official app and sign in with your e-banking username and password.



## Activity: Making a strong password

It's important to create a strong password when you sign up for e-banking. A weak password is easy for someone else to guess, but a strong one isn't. A strong password has a mix of:

- numbers (for example: **2**, **67**, **91**)
- small letters (for example: **c**, **g**, **k**)
- capital letters (for example: **F**, **Z**, **H**)
- symbols (for example: **!**, **\$**, **#**, **?**)

Here are some examples of passwords. Do you think these passwords are **strong** or **weak**?

	<b>Strong</b>	<b>Weak</b>	<b>Not Sure</b>
abc123			
odCD7c#21			
password			
1111111			
83!feS3%			
E35!fri3O			



## Let's talk about it

What makes you think that some of these passwords are strong or weak? What could happen if someone guesses your e-banking password?



## E-banking security

Here are some more ways to keep your bank account safe online:

- Only use your bank's official website and app for e-banking
- Don't tell anyone your e-banking username or password
- If you can, avoid using public computers or public wifi connections to do your e-banking