## Hilton Head Island Computer Club



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#### **COMPUTER SAFETY - UC Santa Clara**

### "Top 10 List" of Good Computing Practices

## https://its.ucsc.edu/security/top10.html

- 1. Use passwords that can't be easily guessed, and protect your passwords.
- 2. Minimize storage of sensitive information.
- 3. Beware of scams.
- 4. Protect information when using the Internet and email.
- 5. Make sure your computer is protected with anti-virus and all necessary security "patches" and updates.
- 6. Secure laptop computers and mobile devices at all times: Lock them up or carry them with you.
- 7. Shut down, lock, log off, or put your computer and other devices to sleep before leaving them unattended, and make sure they require a secure password to start up or wake-up.
- 8. Don't install or download unknown or unsolicited programs/apps.
- 9. Secure your area before leaving it unattended.
- 10. Make backup copies of files or data you are not willing to lose.