

Secure your LinkedIn profile

		Cheat sheet
	Goal	Recommendation
1	Secure your LinkedIn profile against social engineering.	 Ensure your Birthdate, Email, and Phone Number are not displayed in your Contact Information section. You can check this in Profile ⇒ Edit (Pencil icon) ⇒ Contact Info. To check if your email address is displayed, go to Settings ⇒ Visibility ⇒ "Who can see your email address." Remove your middle name or middle initial if it's displayed in your profile name. To remove it, go to Profile ⇒ Edit (Pencil icon) ⇒ Name. Limit your location to your home country or home state. You can update this information at Profile ⇒ Edit (Pencil icon) ⇒ Location.
2	Control who can see your information and updates.	■ Navigate to Settings Visibility to adjust who can view your profile, connections, and activity.
3	Avoid accepting requests from unknown or suspicious individuals.	 Review profiles carefully before connecting and be wary of requests from individuals with incomplete profiles or those you don't recognize.
4	Maintain a network of trusted connections.	 Periodically review your connections and remove irrelevant or suspicious ones. You can do this from your connections page.
5	Create a password that is difficult to guess and not used in any other accounts.	 Use a combination of letters, numbers, and special characters. Consider using a password manager to generate and store a strong password.
6	Add an extra layer of security by requiring a second form of verification.	■ Go to Settings ⇒ Sign in & Security ⇒ Two-step verification and follow the prompts to set it up.
7	Ensure your security questions and answers are current and robust.	■ Update your security questions under Settings ⇒ Sign in & Security ⇒ Change password . Choose questions and answers that are difficult for others to guess.
8	Limit access to your LinkedIn data by third-party applications.	 Check and manage app permissions under Settings ⇒ Data Privacy ⇒ Permitted services. Opt-out from allowing LinkedIn to feed your data to a Generative AI model by going to Settings ⇒ Data Privacy ⇒ Data for Generative AI Improvement and toggle "Use my data for training content creation AI models" Off.
9	Stay informed about the latest security threats and best practices.	Follow LinkedIn's security updates to stay current with new threats and preventative measures.