

6 Simple Steps to SHUT DOWN JOB SCAMS Quickly and Safely

DON'T LET SCAMMERS USE YOUR JOB
SEARCH AGAINST YOU.



1

Pause.

Pause before responding. If outreach feels rushed, overly casual, or off-channel, slow the interaction immediately. Trust your gut.

2

Verify.

Verify the recruiter. Confirm identity via a company email address or a verified LinkedIn profile.

3

Protect.

Avoid sharing personal data. Never provide DOB, address, SSN, references, or verification details early. Everything a legitimate employer needs is in your application.

4

Connect.

Contact the company directly. Use official channels to confirm recruiting practices if something (anything) feels off.

5

Report.

Disengage and report. Block the contact and report impersonation to LinkedIn, the company, and the FTC at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://www.ftc.gov/identitytheft)

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Relax.

You've just outwitted the bad guys!

