

## Online security information for candidates

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Most social media companies provide advice about online security. This includes guidance on how to secure your account and how to report incidents of online abuse, harassment and intimidation.

## Online and social media information

### Meta

Meta (which owns Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp) provides:

- [guidance for political candidates](#)
- [general guidance on online safety](#)
- [specific guidance on reporting abusive content or behaviour](#)
- [how to verify your account](#)

### X (formerly Twitter)

X, or Twitter, provides:

- [general guidance on online safety](#)
- [civic integrity policies](#)
- [quick links to safety and security guidance](#)
- [guidance on how to report offensive content and abuse](#)
- [how to verify your account](#)

## Google

Google (which owns YouTube) provides:

- [information about protecting and advancing democracy online](#)
- [specific guidance from YouTube about support for civic integrity](#)
- [guidance on how to report inappropriate content](#)

## TikTok

TikTok provides:

- [policy on election integrity](#)
- [community guidelines on integrity and authenticity](#)
- [TikTok's Safety Centre](#)
- [safety and privacy tools](#)
- [direct reporting function](#)
- [how to verify your account](#)

## Guidance updates

Please note that social media platforms regularly review and update their guidance.

### KEYWORDS

ELECTION

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