

PUBLIC WIFI RULES CARD

COFFEE SHOP WIFI: WHAT'S ACTUALLY FINE.

The 2010s advice was "never use public wifi." It's outdated; most sites are encrypted now. Here's the current, honest version:

FINE ON PUBLIC WIFI:

- Browsing, news, maps, streaming, email reading

PHONE-DATA ONLY *(tap the wifi off first)*:

- Banking and brokerage logins
- Shopping checkouts (card entry)
- Anything work-confidential
- Password changes

NEVER, ON ANY NETWORK:

- Entering passwords on a page a popup sent you to
- Captive portals asking for your email *password*. The wifi wants a marketing email address, not credentials. If a login page asks for a password, walk.

THE 2-SECOND HABIT: big transaction? Look at the top corner, turn wifi off, use data, turn it back on after. That's the whole discipline.

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