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Equifax Credit Watch™ Gold

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- Daily access to your Equifax credit report
- WebScan notifications¹ when your personal information, such as Social Security Number, credit/debit card or bank account numbers are found on fraudulent Internet trading sites
- Automatic fraud alerts², which encourages potential lenders to take extra steps to verify your identity before extending credit, plus blocked inquiry alerts and Equifax credit report lock³
- Identity Restoration to help restore your identity should you become a victim of identity theft, and a dedicated Identity Restoration Specialist to work on your behalf
- Up to \$1,000,000 of identity theft insurance coverage for certain out of pocket expenses resulting from identity theft⁴

Enrollment Instructions

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Complete the form with your contact information and click "Continue".

If you already have a myEquifax account, click the 'Sign in here' link under the "Let's get started" header.

Once you have successfully signed in, you will skip to the Checkout Page in Step 4

2. **Create Account:**

Enter your email address, create a password, and accept the terms of use.

3. **Verify Identity:**

To enroll in your product, we will ask you to complete our identity verification process.

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Click 'Sign Me Up' to finish enrolling.

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⁴The Identity Theft Insurance benefit is underwritten and administered by American Bankers Insurance Company of Florida, an Assurant company, under group or blanket policies issued to Equifax, Inc., or its respective affiliates for the benefit of its Members. Please refer to the actual policies for terms, conditions, and exclusions of coverage. Coverage may not be available in all jurisdictions.

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P.O. Box 9554
Allen, TX 75013
<https://www.experian.com/fraud/center.html>
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(888) 397-3742

TransUnion

Fraud Victim Assistance
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P.O. Box 2000
Chester, PA 19016-2000
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2. Placing a Security Freeze on Your Credit File.

If you are very concerned about becoming a victim of fraud or identity theft, you may request a security freeze be placed on your credit file, at no charge. A security freeze prohibits, with certain specific exceptions, the consumer reporting agencies from releasing your credit report or any information from it without your express authorization. You may place a security freeze on your credit report by contacting all three nationwide credit reporting companies at the numbers below and following the stated directions or by sending a request in writing, by mail, to all three credit reporting companies:

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Woodlyn, PA 19094
<https://www.transunion.com/credit-freeze>
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3. Obtaining a Free Credit Report.

Under federal law, you are entitled to one free credit report every 12 months from each of the above three major nationwide credit reporting companies. Call **1-877-322-8228** or request your free credit reports online at **www.annualcreditreport.com**. Once you receive your credit reports, review them for discrepancies. Identify any accounts you did not open or inquiries from creditors that you did not authorize. Verify all information is correct. If you have questions or notice incorrect information, contact the credit reporting company.

4. Additional Helpful Resources.

Even if you do not find any suspicious activity on your initial credit reports, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) recommends that you check your credit reports periodically. Checking your credit report periodically can help you spot problems and address them quickly.

If you find suspicious activity on your credit reports or have reason to believe your information is being misused, call your local law enforcement agency and file a police report. Be sure to obtain a copy of the police report, as many creditors will want the information it contains to absolve you of the fraudulent debts. You may also file a complaint with the FTC by contacting them on the web at www.ftc.gov/idtheft, by phone at 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338), or by mail at Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580. Your complaint will be added to the FTC's Identity Theft Data Clearinghouse, where it will be accessible to law enforcement for their investigations. In addition, you may obtain information from the FTC about fraud alerts and security freezes.

If your personal information has been used to file a false tax return, to open an account or to attempt to open an account in your name, or to commit fraud or other crimes against you, you may file a police report in the city in which you currently reside.

If this notice letter states that your financial account information and/or credit or debit card information was impacted, we recommend that you contact your financial institution to inquire about steps to take to protect your account, including whether you should close your account or obtain a new account number.

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Equifax Child Monitoring Package *(for Equifax Credit Watch™ Gold members)*

Key Features

- Child Monitoring for up to four children under the age of 18
- Emailed notifications of activity on the child's Equifax credit report

Enrollment Instructions

Parent/guardian, after completing your enrollment in Equifax Credit Watch™ Gold:

Return to www.equifax.com/activate

Enter your unique Activation Code of _____ for Equifax Child Monitoring Package
then click "Submit" and follow these additional steps.

1. **Sign In:**

Click the 'Sign in here' link under the "Let's get started" header.

Sign in with your email address and password you created when initially creating your account.

2. **Checkout:**

Click 'Sign Me Up' to finish your enrollment.

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The confirmation page shows your completed enrollment.

Click "View My Product" to access the product features and enroll minor children.

How to Add Minors to Your Equifax Child Monitoring Package

You will be able to add minors to your Equifax Child Monitoring Package through your product dashboard.

1. Sign in to your account to access the "Your People" module on your dashboard.
2. Click the link to "Add a Child"
3. From there, enter your child's first name, last name, date of birth and social security number.

Repeat steps for each minor child (up to four)

Equifax will then create an Equifax credit file for your child, lock it and then alert you if there is any activity on that child's Equifax credit file. You can add up to 4 children under the age of 18 with your Equifax Child Monitoring Package.

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