



SECURITY STATEMENT

YOUR SECURITY ONLINE

One of our highest priorities for Blackhawk Bank Online is to ensure your privacy and peace of mind by employing the most advanced online security measures in the industry.

Once you enroll in online banking, you will be able to use a self-selected user name and password system that serves as our first line of security.

Every step of the way, we will provide you with state-of-the-art encryption of all data transmitted between your computer and our secure site. Most browsers today utilize an encryption method called Secure Sockets Layer (SSL). SSL is software-based protocol that encodes data before it is transmitted over the Internet.

Many browsers today offer both 40-bit and 128-bit versions of SSL. 128-bit encryption provides a much higher level of security, as it is more than 300 x 1024 more secure than 40-bit encryption. Major commercial browsers, including the 4.0 and higher versions of Netscape™ Navigator and Microsoft® Explorer, include this encryption software. Blackhawk Bank Online requires the higher level (128-bit SSL) of encryption to ensure the privacy of your information.

An icon, such as a lock or key, will be displayed in the corner of your browser's window to let you know that your browser's encryption is active.

You can also ensure the security of your information by following these steps:

- Never reveal your user name and password to anyone.
- Change your password frequently using the Change Password function.
- Always log off Blackhawk Bank Online before walking away from your computer.
- Always log off Blackhawk Bank Online before accessing another website.