

Lock Down Your Xbox And PlayStation Accounts — Checklist

Print and tick off. About 10 minutes per console.

Date completed: _____

Re-run this quarterly. Each pass takes about 12 minutes.

Beginner — do these in order

- 1. Microsoft 2-step verification on**
account.microsoft.com → Security
- 2. Sony 2-step verification on**
account.sony.com → Security
- 3. Authenticator app installed and tested**
Microsoft Authenticator or Authy
- 4. Unknown devices removed**
Both Microsoft and Sony device lists
- 5. Purchase password / PIN required**
Both consoles
- 6. Gamertag and personal info set to friends only**
Privacy settings
- 7. Child accounts created if applicable**
family.microsoft.com / account.sony.com
- 8. Unused payment cards removed**
Both platforms
- 9. Recovery codes saved**
Password manager + printed copy

Advanced — if you want to go further

- Passkey enabled on Microsoft account
- Virtual card with monthly limit
- Email aliases per platform
- Login alerts enabled
- Xbox passkey for console sign-in
- Weekly purchase receipt audit