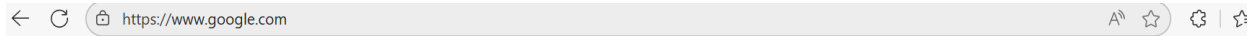





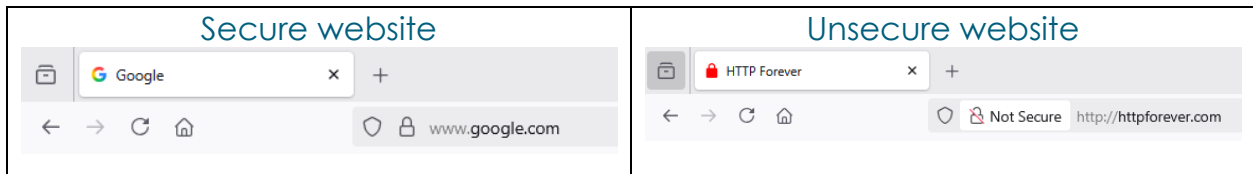
RESOURCES

How to Know if a Website is Secure

1. Look at the address bar – typically at the top of the webpage

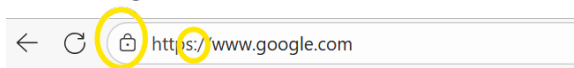


2. Check that there is a padlock  to the left of the bar. If you see a red padlock, padlock with a line, or a warning symbol (triangle with exclamation mark) sometimes with the text “Not Secure”, that means the website is not secure



3. Check that there are no misspellings or long texts of random numbers and/or letters. If there are, the site may not be secure.
4. Check that the address begins with “https”. If it begins with “http” (without an “s”), it is not secure. Sometimes this part of the address is hidden. To check, click on the address bar and the full address will show.

This image shows the padlock and “s” that should be after the HTTP.



5. If you are unsure if a website is secure, do not put personal information into the site.