

Beware of fake online gambling sites.



Gambling websites that are advertised on social media and in messaging app groups are often fake.

They might look legitimate and promise big wins, but they often won't pay your winnings or let you withdraw any money you gave them. Online pokie machines, casino style games and scratchies are not permitted under Australian law.

Help to protect yourself from fake online gambling



Is the site real – do they have an official licence? Always check the website is legitimate by visiting **acma.gov.au/check-if-gambling-operator-legal**. If a website isn't listed here, it is likely breaking the law.



Unrealistic promises you will win. You may win but it's unlikely you will receive any of those winnings from these sites or get any of the money you gave them back.



Look out for PayID or bank transfer requests. Gambling sites asking you to transfer money using PayID (mobile number, email address or ABN) or via a bank transfer are usually fake.



Be cautious of social media posts promoting gambling sites with referral links, these can often lead to fake websites. If you see a fake online gambling website advertised, report the link to acma.gov.au/interactive-gambling-complaint-form

For more information, visit **commbank.com.au/fake-online-gambling**