



## Advance Fee Scam

An **Advance Fee Scam** is any scam that is in exchange for a fee. If someone approaches you saying that “You’ve won!”, show a cheque in your name, or offer unusual discount from a reputable company but asks for an advance payment for the processing or delivery fee in exchange, stay vigilant as this is possibly a scam.

Protect yourself:

- Think twice – If something sounds too good to be true, it usually is.
- Always do your own research. Verify the credentials and reputation of the person who contacted you through trusted source.
- Don’t pay for a promise. Ignore if someone is asking you to pay in advance for prizes, jobs, or loans.
- If in doubt, stop the conversation.