

Practical Help Tip Sheet

TOD #007: Keep Your Android Safe – Tips for Getting Safe Apps

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Tip #1: Make sure you are getting your Apps in a safe environment

1. You can get Android Apps from lots of places so the risk is real for getting malicious malware or viruses
2. To be safe, only get your Apps from the [Google Play Store](#)



Tip #2: Make sure you are careful if you decide to get Apps from other outlets

1. Research the author of the App and the distribution channel
2. Look for anything negative posted online
3. If results are positive, you should be ok but this is not a 100% guarantee



Tip #3: Android is the top targeted mobile device

1. Easy to create and distribute Apps
2. Apps can help criminals gain access to your smartphone and all your personal information



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With mobile firmly entrenched in both the personal and work arena, cyber-criminals are stepping up attacks against smartphones and tablets.

Practically every security expert *Security Watch* talked to had something to say about the increasing volume of attacks against mobile devices. Android won't be the only one under attack, but iOS, Windows Phone, and BlackBerry, too. Trend Micro estimated that malicious Android apps will reach 3 million in 2014.

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