

## Internet/Electronic Special Security Services

*Horizon Bank has incorporated layered security methods into our electronic security services to strengthen the effectiveness of our fraud prevention efforts. This document outlines some of the services that are associated with our debit card and online banking systems.*

### DEBIT CARDS

Debit cards are issued to customers to provide a convenient way to pay for goods and services and access cash at ATMs or merchants. Visa rules establish the primary security framework for these access devices that use the ATM networks or Visa credit card channels to complete the transaction. If selecting “debit” at the time of purchase, the systems will route the transaction through the ATM network where a PIN is used as the primary security authorization. If “credit” is selected, the transaction is routed through the credit card network and relies on a signature or Visa rules for security requirements and the handling of disputes.

It is important to remember that there are a few differences between a debit card and a credit card. The biggest one that many customers are not aware of is the fact that with a debit card, you do not have the right to dispute a charge due to a disagreement with the service or product that was purchased from a merchant. Therefore, if you feel that you may need to retain that right, use a credit card instead of your debit card.

Here are some of the other security features that are incorporated into debit card transactions.

**Visa Card & Security Code Requirements:** The Visa system has specific card production requirements that include a magnetic data stripe and a security code on the backside of the card. The security code is often required when the card is used over a telephone and serves as a mini-PIN. Many pay-at-the-pump locations are now also requiring the cardholder’s zip code as an identification requirement.

**Real-Time Host Connection:** Our bank is directly connected to the ATM and Visa networks so we can approve, deny, and mark-up transactions as they are received. This allows you the ability to see inter-day transactions and enables us to use the most up-to-date balance for making the pay/deny decision. If you make a deposit during the day, you will be able to make a purchase on your card the same day.

**Real-Time Fraud Analytics:** We have a very sophisticated software tool that is reviewing all transaction activity to help identify potential fraud threats. Although it is not foolproof, when we do suspect a problem we will initiate a call to the cardholder and/or suspend the card until we can confirm that it has not been compromised.

**Optional Vacation Alerts:** Since we look for unusual activity, this includes out-of-territory transactions. So, if you are going to travel, contact our staff so we can update the system for that time period with your general locations to avoid the automatic suspension of your debit card when the first transaction is attempted.

**Default Daily Limits:** The bank has established a daily maximum dollar amount that will be approved on a daily basis for both ATM and Point-of-Sale transactions. This security setting reduces the ability to take out all of your funds in the account during one day. If you feel that you will need to have a higher limit for a short time or specific transaction, contact the bank and we can adjust your setting to meet your needs. We can also lower your limit upon request. However, we strongly recommend that you do not leave the limit above our standard limits of \$500 for ATMs and \$5,000 for POS transactions.

**PINs:** When using the “debit” option, a PIN is required. (In some cases, the PIN will not be required if the purchase is under \$25.00.) This PIN can be set to whatever 4-digit code you like, but you will need to contact our customer service department to complete the change on our systems. Do not write your code on the card or place it in your wallet. Also, do not share your PIN with others, including family members.

**Transaction Confirmations (e-Commerce & International, in particular):** As part of our daily review process, we will attempt to verify certain transactions that might be suspicious. You may receive an email, text or phone call from our staff just checking to make sure that you did authorize the transaction.

**Online Banking Mark-ups:** With our real-time connection, we are able to mark-up your approved transactions on our online system to help you keep track of every item as they are approved during the day.

**Visa Zero Liability:** Under Visa's rules, there is a zero liability clause that does provide consumers with an additional level of protection where they should not be charged the \$50 maximum liability that is allowed under Regulation E for fraudulent or unauthorized transactions.

**Optional Transaction Alerts (Text and/or Email):** Horizon Bank offers a free service that we highly recommend for all our debit card users. With it, you can opt to receive a text or email alert within minutes for every attempted debit card transaction. This is a great fraud prevention and recordkeeping tool that will help identify potential fraud attempts immediately. You can set up these alerts by selecting "Create Alerts" under "Preferences" in online banking.

## ONLINE BANKING SERVICES

Banking services offered over the Internet represent a growing fraud threat due to the ability to transfer funds to other banks using some of the special banking services, such as External Exchange, ACH Origination and Wire Transfers. Online banking also poses a potential threat for the theft of confidential financial information since it contains account information and statements. To combat this, we have incorporated multiple layers of security into our online banking services to provide secondary levels of authentication besides the initial Logon ID and Password.

This section will explain some, but not all, of our security tools to help make sure your information and funds are safe and secure.

**Multi-Channel Enabled:** We have certain authentication, authorization and alert features that can be sent via the Internet (email), telephone (voice) and SMS (text) to provide alternative methods to prevent a single point of security compromise. Some of the special services, especially related to funds transfers to external institutions, will receive greater scrutiny. Additional authentication methods that use an out-of-band approval (not using an internet-based account or email) may be required or recommended to combat the man-in-the-middle or man-in-the-browser attack.

**Computer Registration:** Although we never rely only on computer identification as a primary control due to the possibility of compromised security cookies, it does offer a level of security for unsophisticated attacks. The system requires any computer that attempts to logon to the system and has not been previously registered (has the security cookie on the computer) to complete the registration process. The security code is sent to the user's registered email or phone (voice or text) for entry prior to allowing access. This code will be used to register the computer and create the security cookie. As noted below, the system can require the code be sent only to a phone (voice or text) to provide an out-of-band registration. Also, the system can be set to require the registration for every logon attempt to eliminate the threat of a compromised cookie.

**IP Reputation Tools:** When our security experts identify potentially dangerous/fraudulent Internet sites (as identified by their IP address), we will update our systems to block any access to or from those sites. This is just one of our extra security efforts we employ continuously to protect our customers from potential threats.

**Automatic Logoffs (Time-Outs):** After 30 minutes of inactivity or 60 minutes of total login time, your logon is automatically disabled and will require you to re-enter your password. The anti-phishing phrase (if you activated that tool) will usually first appear to let you know you are still connected to our servers and have not been re-directed to a fake site.

**Login ID & Passwords:** We do create unique Logon IDs and Passwords for every user. The password must be from 5 to 15 digits and include at least one number. We can also set your password to automatically expire upon your request as an optional security setting.

**Enhanced User Rights & Limits:** Our system creates customized rights and limits by user that can restrict activity and features to only what is desired or recommended by the bank. Limits on funds transfer rights and amounts will minimize the risk of unauthorized transactions.

**External Funds Independent Pre-processing Confirmations:** Prior to completing funds transfers to other institutions, our staff may send out confirmation requests or acknowledgments for certain transactions to make sure the user was aware of the

request prior to its completion. A brief delay prior to final processing allows a limited amount of time for you to notify the bank if the transaction was not authorized. If no notice is received, the transaction will be sent unless there are additional security concerns identified by our staff or systems.

**Risk & Fraud Software Analytics:** Our bank has incorporated a sophisticated software application that will review user behavior and transaction risks to help identify unusual or suspicious activity. If identified, it will automatically alert you and the bank of a possible need for additional approvals or reviews. Although this is not foolproof, it does add yet another layer of risk mitigation against account take-overs.

**Funds Transfer Back-Office Reviews:** Our staff reviews every transaction as it is prepared for processing and does ongoing reviews for suspicious or unusual activity. When identified, we proactively contact our customers for approval prior to processing the transactions.

**Optional Administrative New User/Recipient Alerts:** For our Cash Management Administrative users, an alert (email, text or voice) can be automatically sent whenever a new sub-user or recipient is added to the company profile. This alert will let you know that a potential unauthorized user or recipient was entered on our system.

**Optional One-Time Use Registrations:** If desired, we can require you to register your computer every time you logon to prevent the possibility of your security cookie being compromised. Contact our customer service department to add this security setting to your Logon ID.

**Optional Voice or Text-Only Computer Registration:** As mentioned in the Computer Registration explanation, we can require that only out-of-band registration codes be allowed (no emails). This provides protection against the attacks where the user's computer and email account has been compromised. Contact our customer service department to add this security setting to your Logon ID.

**Optional Anti-Phishing Phrase:** This works with the Computer Registration cookie and will attempt to confirm that the user is properly connected to our servers and not a fake/redirected site that may look like our site. This phrase is added using the security options under the Preferences drop-down menu.

**Password Expirations:** Our system requires you to choose a new password at least every 365 days. You may also change your password at any time using the Security options under the Preferences drop-down menu.

**Optional Dual-Authorization:** For certain funds transfer transactions (funds transfers, ACH Originations, EFTPS and Wires) we can set your rights to where another user tied to your account must approve the transaction to provide a secondary authorization. Contact our customer service department if you would like this security feature added to your account.

**Optional Out-of-Band Authorization:** Similar to the Dual-Authorizations, we have another security feature that will require approval from an out-of-band source, like your cell phone. It will send a voice or text alert when a funds transfer has been created and needs a reply from the phone message to complete the transaction. Contact our customer service department if you would like to activate this tool.

**Optional Physical or Soft Tokens:** We have the ability to require a code generated by a secure token (either a physical fob or a mobile app) to be entered for any monetary transaction. The token will automatically generate a new secure code after a short period of time that will be confirmed by our system prior to allowing the transaction to be processed.

**Optional PositivePAY:** For customers that issue a large number of checks, we do offer a PositivePAY service that will require you to send a daily file of all the items you issue. We will create a list of approved payments that will be used to compare against every item we receive for payment. Call our customer service department for more information on this service.

**User Customizable Alerts (Balance, Transaction and Calendar driven):** Within our Internet Banking system we have created fully customizable alerts that you can set up to monitor transaction activity, balance changes and date/event driven reminders. Use the Create Alerts option under the Preference drop-down menu to set these alerts up. You may also need to set up your primary contact information under the Security Settings option in that same area.

## MOBILE APPS AND TABLET/IPADS SERVICES

Advances in technology continue to make accessing your financial information more convenient. The tablets/iPads can view our Internet Banking system using a browser that will size the information to display better for the smaller-sized screen with these devices. We have a mobile app that is available on iPhones and Android devices. We do allow you to view balances, transaction activity/history, and cleared checks on your checking and savings accounts. You can also perform transfers between your linked accounts and make check deposits using the phone. Security codes and rights are required to connect to the systems and complete any monetary transaction.

## THINGS YOU CAN DO TO HELP

In addition to our best efforts to protect our systems and provide layered security, you also have an active role to play in helping prevent fraud. Here is a quick list of some tips to live by:

- Sign up for Alerts (for both debit cards and the Internet services)
- Pick good passwords and change every 90 days
- Request other optional security methods such as dual authorizations and tokens for your monetary transactions
- Secure your PC, laptop, tablet, iPad and/or cell phones by setting them to require a code/password after a limited amount of time with no activity. Guard against theft of these access devices.
- Keep virus detection, spyware, malware current
- Activate your personal firewall on your computer
- Keep operating system and browser patches current
- Do not click on links in emails unless you are sure they are from a trusted source
- Don't install a plug-in or program on your computer unless you know it is legitimate
- Do not post personal information on your Internet profiles
- Shred your documents with confidential information before throwing out
- Review your account activity frequently and balance monthly statements
- Log out of your account when you are done
- Don't use any public computer for accessing your accounts
- Activate as many of the optional security tools that seem appropriate for your needs
- Report any unusual activity immediately

We hope you found this information useful in explaining our security protection and optional services that you may want to consider. If you have any suggestions on how we can improve on our services or security protection, please let us know.