



## RGE Tech Tips from the Field – Client Edition

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### 1. Length is Strength

- **The Secret:** A long password of simple words (like Blue-Coffee-Hike-2026) is actually much harder for a hacker to crack than a short, complicated one.
- **Chip's Tip:** Aim for at least 12 characters. Think of a short sentence or a string of random words.

### 2. Avoid the "Big Life" Clues

- **The Secret:** Scammers can easily find your pet's name, your birthday, or your hometown on social media.
- **Chip's Tip: Don't use personal info that someone could guess by looking at your Facebook or LinkedIn profile!**

### 3. Use a "Digital Vault."

- **The Secret:** You don't have to remember 50 different passwords. A **Password Manager** (like Bitwarden or 1Password) stores them all safely behind one "Master Key."
- **Chip's Tip: If a digital vault feels too high-tech, a physical notebook kept in a safe place at home is still much better than using the same password for everything!**