



The Nelson County Sheriff's Department has received a complaint of a scam phone call claiming to be from the IRS Fraud Department. We are providing information from the ND Consumer Protection website for our community education on this particular scam. Further information on other scams can be found at the online address below or by calling the Consumer Protection phone number provided. If you find yourself a victim of one of these scams, even if it is just an unwanted scam call or actual monetary amounts lost, please contact the ND Consumer Protection via online complaint form or verbal complaint by phone. Also notify the Nelson County Sheriff's Office at (701) 247-2474.

As per ND Attorney General Consumer Protection website:

<https://attorneygeneral.nd.gov/consumer-resources/common-scams>

Consumer Protection
1-800-472-2600 within ND only

Common Scams

You know what they say: "If it seems too good to be true, it probably is." Whether the scam involves phony winnings from a fake sweepstake or a threat to have you arrested for supposed non-payment of taxes, information is the key to foiling scam artists.

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IRS Enforcement Calls

If you received a message claiming that you owe money on your taxes, just delete it. The IRS has issued several reminders that it will **never** notify a taxpayer of a potential problem by leaving a threatening message. It doesn't matter what the message threatens, it is ALWAYS a scam.

- The IRS wants to know about these calls. Submit an online report to the [US Department of Treasury](#) or email the IRS at phishing@irs.gov.