



# Wallet Hygiene

**Purpose:** Set safe defaults once, so mistakes stay cheap.

## Wallet Roles (Non-Negotiable)

### Vault Wallet

- Long-term storage only
- Never connects to new sites
- Prefer hardware + offline recovery (hardware wallet kept offline)
- Used only to receive or move to cold storage (long-term holding)

### Hot Wallet

- Daily activity
- Holds only what you can afford to risk
- Normal DeFi, transfers, known dApps
- No experiments

### Clean Wallet

- First-touches only (first time interacting with a site or contract)
- New site, mint, claim, or anything rushed
- Near-zero balance
- Disposable: retire after use if anything feels off

**Rule:** Keep value away from risk. If unsure, use a clean wallet or don't proceed.

## Approval Hygiene

- Prefer limited approvals whenever available (set a maximum amount instead of unlimited)
- Unlimited approvals only when fully trusted and necessary
- After use: revoke immediately (remove the permission)
- Monthly: run an approvals sweep (review and clear unused approvals)

**Default Rhythm:** Approve → Finish → Revoke

## Address Handling

- Never copy from wallet “recent” history (can be poisoned with look-alike addresses)
- Paste from your own verified record (invoice, secure note, official doc)
- Check first and last 6-8 characters before sending

## Seed & Recovery

- Seed phrases stay offline only (written or stored offline)
- Never typed into websites, chats, forms, or calls
- Recovery happens only inside the official app you installed yourself

## Account & Inbox Security

- Email controls resets for everything (exchanges, wallets, password managers)
- Enable passkeys or strong app-based 2FA
- Monthly check: inbox rules and forwarding
- Unknown rule = remove, reset password, review sessions

**If something feels rushed or new:** Switch to a clean wallet or walk away.