

PASSWORD MANAGERS

A USEFUL TOOL TO KEEP YOU CYBER SAFE



What is a password manager?

A password manager is software that securely stores all your passwords. Password managers:

- Stop you writing down your passwords on paper.
- Help with simplifying entering your username and password into apps and websites.
- Act as a safe that you put your passwords in, to keep them secure.
- Help to stop you using the same password across all your apps and websites.
- Provide you with quick and easy access to your passwords across different web browsers and devices.

Top 10 Common Passwords:

- 1 123456
- 2 123456789
- 3 picture1
- 4 password
- 5 12345678
- 6 111111
- 7 123123
- 8 12345
- 9 1234567890
- 10 senha
(*'password' in Portuguese*)

Are password managers secure?

Like anything else online, password managers aren't fool-proof. However, they do make it much more difficult for anyone to get access to your personal information.

- ✓ Using a password manager is a lot safer than other options.
- ✓ Even if someone got access to your password manager, they wouldn't get access to the information you store in it without your master password.
- ✓ Information in the password manager will be encrypted, so it can only be accessed if someone has your master password.
- ✓ If you want to add an extra layer of security to your password manager, you can turn on multi-factor authentication (MFA).

NOTE — Most web browsers – like Internet Explorer or Chrome – have a built-in password manager, but these are not as secure as using a dedicated password manager application.



How do I choose a password manager?

When selecting a password manager to use, consider:



The reviews and feedback available online or in app stores



Which is the best for the platform that you use (i.e. iPhone, Android)



The strength of encryption you require (e.g. basic vs. military-grade)



Whether you want to add multi-factor authentication when signing in



Which paid services offer a free trial period



Whether you want to be able to share the service with your family

1Password



KeePass

DASHLANE

RoboForm



NordPass



Where to go for more information related to cybersecurity?

At Farm Source, we are working and communicating with our community to ensure they also act as our first line of defence against cybersecurity incidents.

If you do see something suspicious or need more support around staying cyber safe, we recommend the following resources:

- <https://www.cert.govt.nz> – **Cert NZ** has great resources and tips on how you and your family can stay cyber safe, as well as updates on the latest scams
- Follow **NetSafe NZ** on **social media** for the latest advice, great cyber resources and tips for business and families
- Get in touch with our **Service Centre** on **0800 65 65 68** in the first instance if you have any specific cyber security concerns related to Farm Source