Interac Flash Top 3 Myths

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Fraudsters can use a transmitter to electronically pick-pocket my personal financial information f

Incorrect. Interac Flash leverages EMV-based secure chip processing, instead of magnetic stripe data type processing. This protects Interac Flash against skimming, counterfeiting, and transaction replay types of fraud, including electronic pick-pocketing.

The information on an RBC Client Card is basic payment related codes needed to process transactions and cannot be unwrapped or duplicated to produce a counterfeit card or transaction. In basic terms, the information on your card is useless to a criminal.



I might pay for something by standing too close to a merchant terminal with an *Interac* Flash card in my wallet or purse, when I wanted to use another payment method.

Not so. To start, your card needs to be held less than 4 centimeters away from the terminal and positioned at a particular angle.



Interac Flash is an enhancement of Interac Debit. Consumers using Interac Flash are covered by Interac Zero Liability. The Interac Zero Liability protects you when using Interac debit services\*. You will not be liable for losses resulting from unauthorized transactions.

> Interac Flash uses RFID technology, which is vulnerable to illegal readers and fraudulent activity.

Not true. Interac Flash uses RF enabled smartcard technology, which is specifically designed to protect sensitive information.

It adheres to ISO standard 14443, which defines the security environment in which communication must take place. Interac Flash does not use RFID technology, more commonly used for things like inventory management.

Although PIN-less, the PIN remains a key part of the security of Interac Flash. As an added layer of protection, you will be required to insert your RBC Client Card and enter your PIN to complete your transaction when contactless spending limits\* are reached. This will validate you as the owner of the Client Card and will reset your contactless spend limits, so you can continue to use Interac Flash.

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