SCAMS · CHAPTER 1

Spot a fake dom

In 2DFD every dom is a character, so her face can't tell you she's fake. What she asks you for can.

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EXHIBIT 0 · X1

This chapter is not advice for your situation.

IN 30 SECONDS

01 A fake dom wants your money or your accounts and gives you nothing true back.

02 The five signs: art that proves nothing, payment before any terms, a timer, odd payment routes, and answers that don't answer.

03 Never give anyone a password, a login code or a remote session, whatever the reason.

04 A screenshot or a public tally proves nothing.

05 Your own limit protects you more than the dom you pick.

YOU WILL LEARN

- ✓ Why "is she real" is the wrong first question in 2DFD.
- ✓ The five signs, and what to do about each one.
- ✓ Why keys, screenshots and private apps are the usual traps.
- ✓ How a dom who's honest about money looks next to a funnel.
- ✓ What to do when a send goes to the wrong dom.

> *I'm a character too, so don't trust me on looks either. Check what I ask for the same way you'd check any dom.*
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> — VIVIAN

PART 01

Why “fake” is the wrong first question

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An honest dom can still be bad for your budget. Your limit does more for you than the dom you pick, so set it before you meet anyone. ◆ See Before your first send.

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PART 02

The five signs

One sign proves little. Two together are enough to step back. ◆

REGISTER

What it looks like, and what to do

A
EXHIBIT
CHECK

A new account with polished art and little else

THE COUNTER

Search the art. Press advises an image search before paying. ◆ With a drawn character, it can show that the art belongs to an artist or to another account. Polish proves nothing either way. ◆ See Stolen art and persona theft.

B
EXHIBIT
RED FLAG

Send first, talk later

THE COUNTER

Before anything else, ask for her limits, her prices and how to stop. Some honest doms do ask for payment up front. ◆ The warning sign is a demand with no terms behind it. ◆

C
EXHIBIT
RED FLAG

A timer: five minutes, tonight only, last place

THE COUNTER

Let it run out. A deadline is there to stop you thinking. ◆

D
EXHIBIT
REFUSE

Gift cards, crypto, a verification fee, or a payment route that isn't the visible one

THE COUNTER

Refuse. Money sent this way is hard to get back once the funds are used. ◆ See Case files.

E
EXHIBIT
CHECK

Answers that don't answer

THE COUNTER

Ask about her rules, her prices or what she does when you say stop. A script just repeats the demand. A dom with real terms answers in her own words. ◆

PART 03

Never hand over keys

Someone asking for a login, a one-time code or a remote-desktop session is the warning I see come up most. It usually comes dressed up as proof of honesty or as the price of keeping the bond, right when you're least able to say no. A promise that she won't do anything bad with it protects nothing. ◆

A US cyber-security agency tells people not to hand control of a computer or phone to a stranger who offers to fix a problem. ◆ A remote-access vendor tells users not to give device access to anyone they don't know or trust. ◆ Press reports that some doms have blackmailed subs. ◆

The pattern goes like this: friendly first, then access to an account, then sends. A dom doesn't need your keys for any part of the game. ◆ See Pressure tactics, both ways.

PROCEDURE

If someone asks for your keys

101 Say no in one line, like "I don't share access".

202 Don't explain, bargain or promise anything.

303 Keep the messages and any payment receipts.

404 If you already shared something, change the password from a device you trust and sign out of other sessions.

505 Read If you already sent.

PART 04

Proof that proves nothing

Text on a screen can be edited before it's captured, so a screenshot of a chat or a payment proves very little. In this scene, doctored images get used to fake proof and to turn subs against a dom. If a screenshot says something about your dom, ask her directly before you leave. Keep your own receipts and messages from the start. ◆

CLAIM 1

MYTH

"A public count of wins shows that a dom is trusted."

FACT

A running tally is advertising. All it shows is that someone wants you to see a tally. ◆

CLAIM 2

MYTH

"A dom who posts proof of sends is safe."

FACT

Proof of sends can be staged, and you can't tell the difference. In my experience it happens, so I give it no weight. ◆

CLAIM 3

MYTH

"A screenshot of a conversation proves what was said."

FACT

Anyone can edit the text on a screen before capturing it. ◆

PART 05

Funnels and middlemen

Press describes fake accounts that reply to subs who tweet about findom and ask them to message. ◆ A version you'll see a lot moves you to a private messaging app with an offer of cheap or free video. ◆ Scammers also impersonate real doms. ◆ A handle that looks like hers may not be hers. ◆ Use the link on her own pages.

RED FLAGS

Moves to refuse

- A stranger replies to your post and asks you to message them first.
- A move off the platform to a private app, with cheap or free video as the bait.
- A request to forward money, a file or content to someone else.

Counter. Don't follow. Block the account and report it on the platform. The middleman carries the risk and the blame. ◆

PART 06

A dom who's honest about money

A serious dom shows her terms before she asks for money: her limits, what she won't do, prices in plain numbers and a visible way to stop. A dom who hides these has told you what she is. ◆

Terms or funnel

◆	A dom with clear terms	A funnel
Limits	Written down and easy to find	Missing or vague
Prices	Plain, in numbers	Vague, or set while she's pushing you
Stopping	A visible way to stop, free	No way to stop, or a fee to leave
Your budget	Asks what you can afford, and accepts your limit	Keeps asking, and treats your limit as something to get past
Your money problems	The money part pauses	A new offer shows up
Payment route	Visible and ordinary	Gift cards, crypto, private apps

Watch out for one excuse: “someone else would drain him anyway”. It puts the blame on the person who’s already at risk, and a dom who profits from “protecting” a sub isn’t neutral. ◆

If a send goes to the wrong dom, what she does next shows whether she’s honest. A dom who passes it on to the right person and tells you earns trust, and one who keeps it shows you what she is. ◆ If it happens to you, stop sending, keep the receipt, and ask once, plainly, for it to be passed on. If it isn’t, read If you already sent.

Try it: the five signs (invented for this exercise)

Tap every message that shows a red flag. There are four.

Example conversation. Invented for this exercise.

THEM

Hi pet. I only take new subs today.

YOU

Hi. What are your limits and how do I stop?

THEM

Send USD 50.00 first. Then you can talk to me.

Red flag 1. Payment before any terms.

You have five minutes. After that the offer's gone.

Red flag 2. A timer.

YOU

Can I use a wishlist instead?

THEM

No. Gift cards only, plus a USD 20.00 verification fee.

Red flag 3. An odd payment route and a fee for nothing.

YOU

What did you do today?

THEM

Good subs don't ask questions. Pay.

Red flag 4. An answer that doesn't answer.

TRY IT

What would you do?

It's late. A dom you've followed for a month says her rent is due tonight and asks for USD 300.00, "just this once". You've already spent your limit for the month.

A Send it. She's always been kind to you.

Not this one. That's your limit moving. A need that shows up late at night with a deadline is a pressure tactic, even from someone kind.

B Send half, as a compromise.

Not this one. Half of a broken limit is still a broken limit.

C Say no and keep your limit.

The right answer. A dom who respects a limit will accept that. If she leaves over it, you have your answer.

TRY IT

Check yourself

QUESTION 1 OF 3

A dom asks for a one-time code “to prove you’re real”. What is it?

- ◯ A normal step
- ◯ A request for your keys
- ◯ A sign of a serious dom

Answer. A request for your keys. A code opens your account. A dom never needs one.

QUESTION 2 OF 3

A screenshot shows up that seems to show your dom with someone else. What do you do first?

- ◯ Leave right away
- ◯ Ask her directly
- ◯ Send the screenshot to other people

Answer. Ask her directly. A screenshot is easy to edit. Ask before you act.

QUESTION 3 OF 3

A stranger asks you to forward a file and some money to a third person. What is it?

- ◯ A favour
- ◯ A request to be the middleman
- ◯ A loyalty test

Answer. A request to be the middleman. You'd carry the risk and the blame.

REMEMBER IT

- ♥ In 2DFD every dom is a character. Judge her by what she asks for. Her looks prove nothing.
- ♥ The signs: money before terms, a timer, odd payment routes and answers that don't answer.
- ♥ Never share a password, a code or a remote session.
- ♥ A screenshot or a public tally proves nothing.
- ♥ Your limit protects you more than the dom you pick.

SOURCES AND EVIDENCE

Check it

Every claim with its evidence level and its sources.

EVIDENCE LEVELS

◆ Verified	Checked against the original source.
◆ Reported	Stated by a serious secondary source read in full.
◆ Community	Widely said in the scene; no document proves it.
◆ Vivian's field notes	First-hand experience, not a study.
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