

# Abagnale Fraud Tips

## Government Checks

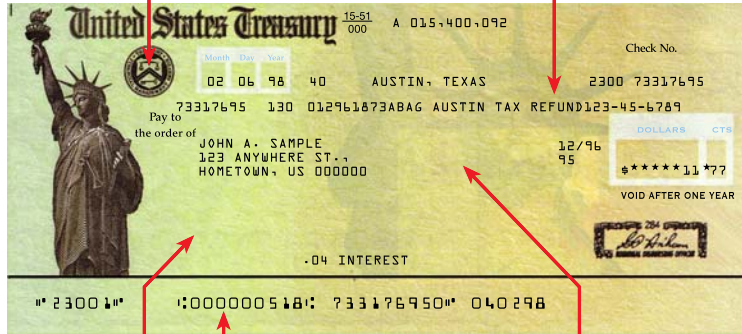
Facts about United States Government checks

Note: In 1992 the government issued an improved check with added security features.

Seal will smudge red when moistened.

Reason issued

Social Security number



Watermark says "U.S. Treasury" when held to light.

Transit numbers are always zero

Has fluorescent ink under black light in center of check. Treasury seal on left and American Eagle Seal on the right.

### Points about government checks

1. Government checks are printed on standard check paper.
2. The checks are not perforated.
3. On the right side of the check is a faint close-up of the head and torch of the Statue of Liberty. On the left side there is a full-length reproduction of the Statue of Liberty in dark tones.
4. The check is in multi-colored pastel hues ranging from light blue to pale peach.

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