



## Check Day and Maintenance Calendar

The monthly look, the annual check day, and the controls that follow special events · belongs with Chapters 6 and 12 · Year: \_\_\_\_\_

**Little, but reliable.** A custody setup does not decay in a single day, it decays quietly: a backup has gone unchecked for years, a program is two versions behind, a location has changed and is written down nowhere. This sheet is the countermove. It holds no secrets and may therefore live with your records. **What never belongs on it:** seed words, passphrase, PIN, xpubs, addresses.

### 1 · MONTHLY: THE LOOK FROM OUTSIDE

Open the watch-only wallet, holdings plausible, no unexpected outgoings, last transaction recognized. Takes a minute and needs no device.

| Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
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### 2 · ONCE A YEAR: THE CHECK DAY

| No | Step                                                                                                                                                                         | Done | Result / anomaly |
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| 1  | <b>Inspect the seals.</b> Every sealed bag intact, number matches your record. Costs nothing and comes first.                                                                |      |                  |
| 2  | <b>Fingerprint check.</b> Open one backup, read the words exclusively off the metal, enter them on the device, compare the fingerprint. Then reseal and note the new number. |      |                  |
| 3  | <b>Descriptor present.</b> With multisig: is the printout with every key backup, is it legible, is it the current one.                                                       |      |                  |
| 4  | <b>Practice recovery.</b> Simulated check without wiping, or every few years the full drill: reset a second device, restore, test amount, send it back.                      |      |                  |
| 5  | <b>One spend per key pair.</b> Multisig only: every pair of keys has signed once in the past year. What is never used fails silently.                                        |      |                  |
| 6  | <b>Passphrase backup.</b> Present, legible, physically separated from the seed, fingerprint with it.                                                                         |      |                  |
| 7  | <b>Software and signatures.</b> Versions current, signature checked against your own fingerprint. Entry on the signature anchor sheet.                                       |      |                  |
| 8  | <b>Read the heirs' package.</b> Are locations, access routes and order still correct. Second factor documented. Renew date and version.                                      |      |                  |
| 9  | <b>Bring records up to date.</b> System sheet and emergency note current as of today, destroy the old versions.                                                              |      |                  |

Check day on: \_\_\_\_\_ · Next date: \_\_\_\_\_ · Time it took: \_\_\_\_\_

### 3 · AFTER SPECIAL EVENTS

| Event                      | What gets checked afterwards                                                                                          | Date / done |
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| Firmware or app update     | Receiving address on the device display against the coordinator, with multisig also whether the registration survived |             |
| Move or new storage place  | All locations recorded anew, routes correct, heirs' package updated                                                   |             |
| Incident at a manufacturer | Does it affect your model, your firmware, the way your seed was created. Read first, then act                         |             |
| Device change or sale      | Old device reset, seed moved only if its origin holds up, otherwise a new seed and a move of the coins                |             |
| Change to the setup        | Check the first address on all devices again, test amount, records renewed                                            |             |

⚠ **Every check on a backup costs a seal.** That is why you check thoroughly before sealing and afterwards only what is genuinely necessary. Note the new seal number right away, otherwise the next visual inspection is worthless. ⚠ **Measure the right time.** In a drill what counts is how long reading and entry take. Waiting for network confirmations says nothing about your backup. ⚠ **A check day is not a rebuild day.** First check, note, finish. Changes to the setup get their own date, otherwise you will not know afterwards what made the difference.

### 4 · LOG

| Date | What was checked | Result | Anomaly, open points, next date |
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