

Fraudster Personas

The Counter Fraud Centre at the Serious Fraud Office has identified seven fraudster personas to help you identify and think like a fraudster. These personas outline the common methods used by fraudsters and can be used support fraud awareness and the development of fraud prevention initiatives for your organisation. See our Counter Fraud Centre Guide to Fraudster Personas for more details.



The Fabricator invents or produces documents/information that is false to dishonestly gain a personal benefit or a benefit for another person.



The Corruptor abuses their position of entrusted power to gain a benefit for themselves or another person.



The Impersonator pretends they are another person or entity to dishonestly gain a benefit for themselves or another person.



The Deceiver makes others believe something that is not true to dishonestly gain a benefit for themselves or another person.



The Enabler knowingly enables fraudulent activity to dishonestly gain a benefit for themselves or another person.



The Organised are groups which use the combination of methods in a planned coordinated way to dishonestly gain a personal benefit.



The Exploiter uses something for a wrongful purpose to dishonestly gain a benefit for themselves or another person.