Phishing Awareness Training

Learn to identify and avoid phishing scams effectively.

Introduction

Phishing is a deceptive practice used by cybercriminals to trick individuals into disclosing sensitive information. This presentation aims to equip you with the necessary skills to recognize and avoid phishing scams.

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Phishing Overview

Definition of Phishing

Phishing is a cybercrime where attackers impersonate legitimate institutions via email or other communication channels to steal sensitive personal information such as usernames, passwords, and credit card details.

Types of Phishing Attacks

Common types of phishing attacks include spear phishing, which targets specific individuals, vishing (voice phishing) that uses phone calls, and smishing (SMS phishing) that uses text messages.

Importance of Awareness

Awareness is crucial in combating phishing. Understanding how these attacks work empowers individuals to recognize threats and protect their personal and organizational information.

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Identifying Phishing

Common Signs of Phishing

Look for poor grammar, generic greetings, urgent requests for action, and suspicious URLs. These are often indicators of phishing attempts.

Checking Email Authenticity

Verify the sender's email address and look for discrepancies. Hover over links to inspect their true destination before clicking.

Recognizing Suspicious Links

Always examine URLs closely before clicking. Look for misspellings, unfamiliar domains, or slight variations that may indicate a phishing website.

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Avoiding Phishing

Best Practices for Email Safety

Use strong, unique passwords for your accounts, enable two-factor authentication, and be cautious when opening attachments or clicking links.

Using Security Tools

Employ spam filters, anti-virus software, and browser extensions designed to detect phishing attempts and block malicious websites.

Reporting Phishing Attempts

Report any phishing emails to your IT department or email provider. This helps protect others and can aid in tracking down the attackers.

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Response Strategies

What to Do If You Fall Victim

If you suspect you've fallen victim to a phishing attack, disconnect from the internet, change your passwords, and monitor your accounts for unusual activity.

Informing IT or Security Teams

Immediately notify your IT department or security team so they can take appropriate action and help mitigate any potential damage.

Changing Passwords and Credentials

Change passwords for any accounts that may have been compromised, and consider using a password manager to generate and store secure passwords.

Conclusions

Understanding phishing and implementing safety practices are essential steps in safeguarding your personal and organizational information against cyber threats.

Thank you!