CYBER AWARENESS

TIPS ON CYBER SECURITY



IMPORTANCE

- Technology alone <u>cannot</u> protect you from everything.
- Attackers go where security is the weakest.
- PEOPLE- a link in the chain and maybe the last line of defense.

NOTE: Many tips that keeps you safe at work will also keep you safe at home.



*Think before clicking:

clicking without thinking is reckless

Is the link safe in 4 steps

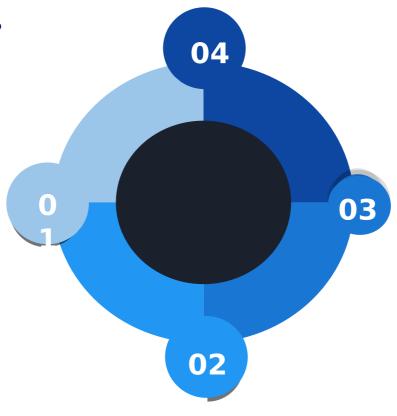
1. VERIFY

Were you expecting a link?

- Not just email!
- Social Media
- SMS/iMessage
- Zoom, Teams, Slack, etc.

2. HOVER

Put your mouse on the link to ensure that it leads to where it says it does



4. CLICK

Does it pass all 3 tests? Still use caution "When in doubt, throw it out"

3. **SNIFF TEST**

Is it a site you recognize?

Does it feel "familiar" to
you? Be skeptic

* USE TWO-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION(2FA):

"Beyond" a username and password, second form to prove it is you.

LOOK OUT FOR PHISHING SCAMS:

Email, sms



* KEEP TRACK OF YOUR DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

* CONNECT SECURELY

* BEWARE OF SOCIAL ENGINEERING



*** KEEP UP WITH UPDATES**

Operating Systems
 Microsoft windows, Apple MacOs, Linux





☐ Anti-Virus

.Norton, Mc Afee, Windows Defender, Avast and many others









PROTECT ALL YOUR DEVICES



- Cell Phones
- Tablets
- Laptops

.Keep your password in a secure location
Utilize a password manager thus its an encrypted storage of passwords and also its sync between desktop, laptop and .mobile



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- Avoid using items that are or can be associated with you.
- ☐ Use separate passwords for every account
- Use auto-generate, unmemorable passwords.



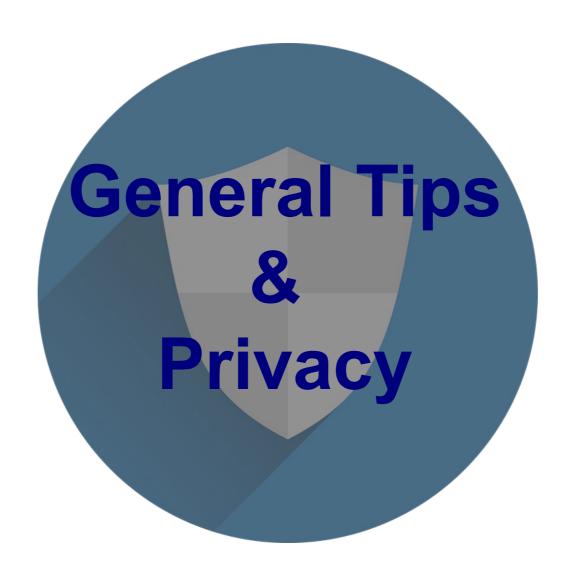
- * BACK-UP YOUR DATA
- 1. No level of protection is perfect:
- 2. If you back-up, have you tested them recently?



YOU'RE NOT IMMUNE

But an attacker isn't interested in me... WRONG!!! You are exactly what an attacker wants.







- **✓ DON'T LEAVE YOUR WEBCAM CONNECTED**
- ✓ DON'T SHARE MORE THAN NECESSARY
- **✓ DON'T MEET ONLINE ACQUAITANCES ALONE**
- ✓ REVEAL ONLY AS MUCH AS NEEDED
- ✓ READ THE FINE PRINT
- ✓ THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS "FREEBIES"
- ✓ BLOCK PEOPLE YOU DON'T WANT TO INTERACT WITH



Do <u>NOT</u> assume a site is legitimate simply because of the green padlock



- Protecting data sent or received
 - HTTPX vs. HTTPS ✓
 - Wireless -> WPA2 (AES) recommended



.THANK YOU

