Sample Phishing Email-Netflix Scam

Subject:Your Netflix Payments Was Declined- Update Your Info Now

From: billing@netflix-account-update.com

To:your-email@example.com

Date:Tue,Aug 5,2025 at 11:27 AM

Dear Customer,

We were unable to process your latest Netflix subscription payment. Your membership is now on hold.

To continue enjoying our service without interruption,please update your billing information immediately:

Update Payment Info

If your payment is not updated within the next 48 hours,your account will be permanently deactivated.

Thank you for choosing Netflix.

Sincerely,

Netflix Billing Department

(using online header analyzer)

SPF and DKIM Information

SPF(Sender Policy Framework) – Fails or softfail=Likely spoofed sender. Look for spf=pass to trust.

DKIM(Domainkeys) – if dkim =fails or missing,it menas the message wasn’t signed by the real sender.

Category	Indicators Of Phishing

Sender Email Address	billing@netflix-account-update.com is not an official Netflix emails come from @netflix.com.
Fake Domain Link	The button leads to http://netflix-billling-alerts.com/login, which is a fake domain not associated with Netflix.
Urgency and Fear	Creates a sense of urgency by threatening deactivation within 48 hours-this is a common phishing tactic to make users act quickly without thinking.
Generic Greeting	Begins with “Dear Customer”instead of using the actual subscriber’s name-Netflix emails normally personalize messages.
Spoofed Branding	Claims to be from Netflix Billing ,Which may include Netflix logos or color schemes to trick users into trusting the email’s authenticity.
Lack of Context	Doesn’t mention which payment method failed,date of last transaction, or any specific billing history – legitimate companies usually provide this info.
HTTPS Absence	The fake link is HTTP, not HTPPS, indicating no encryption -Netflix always uses secure HTPPS links.
No Contact Options	Legitimate Netflix emails often include support links or official contact options-this message pushes only one link.

- Steal login credentials or credit card information.
- Impersonate Netflix’s branding and billing system.
- Use urgency to trick users into acting fast.