

PHISHING AND RANSOMWARE

“DON'T TAKE THE BAIT”



Staying informed about common threats and practicing good cyber hygiene is the easiest way to avoid becoming a victim of cyber criminals.

Phishing is a technique for attempting to acquire sensitive data through a fraudulent email or website. 76% of users have been victims of a phishing attack. With a large percentage of victims, it is imperative that users can easily identify a potential attack.

Ransomware is a type of malware that prevents users from accessing their computer systems or personal files. The attacker then demands ransom payment from the victim before allowing them to regain access.

The best defense against these threats is awareness and skepticism about received email. A good way to protect your system and devices is by installing a well-rounded security suite. You will

benefit from using software that scans for viruses, malware, blocks harmful files, and identifies potential phishing emails and fake websites.

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Protect from Phishing and Ransomware:

- ❖ Avoid clicking on pop-ups or unknown links in emails – hover over the link to see the real address.
- ❖ Carefully handle emails that request immediate action or have attachments.
- ❖ Maintain backups of personal information and data.
- ❖ Out of Office messages should only go to internal employees.
- ❖ Only make online payments to web sites which has security lock symbol or https://

 <https://www.>

Free Anti-virus for DoD employees

- ❖ McAfee Antivirus software is free for active DoD employees and authorized government contractors
- ❖ CAC reader required to access link below

<https://storefront.disa.mil/kinetic/disa/service-catalog#/forms/antivirus-home-use>

**Do Not Click Into The Bait
Cyber Zombies Are Phishing**

