



New cyberthreat detected: phishing email with QR code

Good morning,

Cybersecurity is becoming more important as Fraud is on the rise. As an extra service to our clients we will be sending out a series of cybersecurity messages. Today we are addressing email scams that ask you scan a QR code. Please read the note below where we outline the fraudulent communication, what you can do to protect yourself and what to watch out for.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and practice safe online habits.

Sincerely,



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BE VIGILANT: NEW CYBERTHREATS DETECTED



Our cybersecurity teams have detected a new attempt at IT fraud. In order to protect your systems and data, please read the following and make sure you apply the necessary protective measures.

Type of fraud: phishing email with QR code

A fraudulent email from Microsoft invites the recipient to scan a QR code to keep their email address active. This message could also originate from any other company that has been spoofed using the same technique. When they scan the QR code, the recipient is redirected to a webpage that requests their credentials or other personal information, or asks them to make a payment.

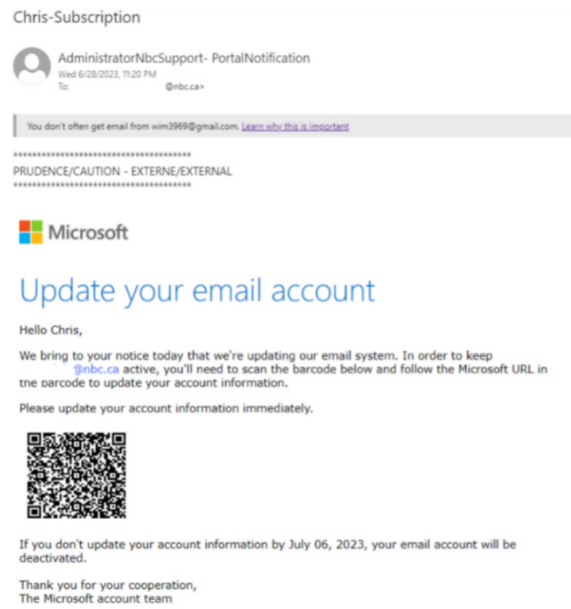


Safety measures to apply

- › Don't scan the QR code.
- › Delete the email.



Example of a fraudulent email received recently



Did you scan the QR code?

- › Don't access the website.
- › Don't provide the information requested.

Questions? Please give us a call at 780-412-6614 or send us an email to graeme.sivertson@nbc.ca.

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