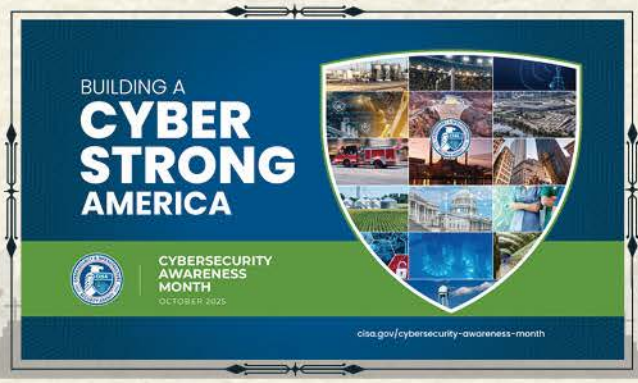
CYBERSECURITY

Awareness Weekly

OCTOBER IS CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

Cybersecurity Awareness Month takes place every October in coordination with the Department of Homeland Security and the National Cybersecurity Alliance to raise cybersecurity awareness across the Nation. The theme for 2025 is "Building a Cyber Strong America." Bureau of Fiscal Service is proud to join this international initiative to keep our people, data and systems safer online. The campaign reminds us that simple actions can make a big difference. Together, we can help protect against online threats and protect the systems we rely on every day, including critical infrastructure.



FOUR EASY WAYS
TO STAY SAFE ONLINE

REMEMBER

See something, say something! Always report phishing emails using the Oulook report phish button.

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Tips to Recognize Phishing Emails

- **Check the Sender's Email Address** - Be cautious of emails from unfamiliar senders or addresses that don't match the official domain of the organization they're claiming to represent.
- **Look for Urgency or Threats** - Phishing emails often create a sense of urgency, such as "Your account will be locked" or "Immediate action required."
- **Suspicious Links or Attachments** - Hover and Review any links to see where they lead before clicking. Avoid downloading unexpected attachments, especially from unknown senders.
- **Spelling and Grammar Mistakes** - Legitimate organizations rarely send emails with obvious spelling or grammar errors.
- **Requests for Personal Information** - Be wary of emails asking for sensitive data, such as passwords, credit card details, or personal information.

How to Report Suspicious Emails

- **Do Not Click on Any Links or Open Attachments** - If you suspect an email is phishing, avoid interacting with any links or attachments.
- **Forward the Email to Our IT Security Team** - Please forward any suspicious emails to suspect@treasury.gov, and our team will investigate.
- **Mark the Email as Spam or Phishing** - Most email platforms allow you to mark emails as spam or phishing. For example, In Microsoft Outlook, Fiscal Service recommends using the Report Button to click if you suspect a phish.

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For more information, check out our tip sheet on Phishing Scams and Social Engineering and the Stay Scam Aware SharePoint page.

STAY SAFE OUT THERE!