

Phishing

What is Phishing?

- Phishing is a sophisticated and profitable online criminal crime.
- Goal-- the goal of phishing is to gather information about people with the intention to steal their identities.



Method

- In Phishing the criminals are targeting online banking, credit cards and e-commerce users.
- What they do is that they create “spoofs” e-mails that are intended to trick the consumers to providing personal information.
- These “spoofs” e-mails mimic legitimate businesses’ e-mails and web pages.

Ways to protect yourself from Phishing...

- No legitimate company would ever request information from you using e-mail.
- If you get an e-mail with a website link in it, type in the web address of the actual company. Don't follow the links provided in the e-mail. They lead to fake webpages.
- If you are not sure, always call the company and ask them about the information on the e-mail.
- Delete unsolicited attachments.
- Teach your family about Phishing.

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www.antiphishing.org