

## **Do Your Part. #BeCyberSmart.** 2021 Cybersecurity Awareness Month (October)

## Week 2 (10/11): Fight the Phish

This is all about one of our most frequent threats: <u>phishing emails</u>.

Continuous employee training and testing is key, so engage a training firm now. Also, provide all employees with the NJCE's Email Dos and Don'ts Infographic, attached.



## **FIGHT THE PHISH**

Phishing attacks and scams have thrived since the COVID pandemic began in 2020 and today, <u>phishing attacks account for more than 80 percent of reported security incidents.</u> Week 2 of Cybersecurity Awareness Month will stress the importance of being wary of emails, text messages or chat boxes that come from a stranger or someone you were not expecting. Think before you click on any suspicious emails, links or attachments and make sure to report any suspicious emails if you can!

## **FACTS AND FIGURES**

- Malware increased by 358% in 2020. (Help Net Security)
- According to the FBI, phishing was the most common type of cybercrime in 2020, with the bureau receiving **241,342 complaints** in 2020. (<u>FBI</u>)
- Phishing attacks account for more than 80 percent of reported security incidents. (Verizon Data Breach Investigations Report)

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