The Top 5 2019 Holiday Scams To Be Aware Of

Complimentary Vouchers or Gift Cards
A popular holiday scam is big discounts on gift cards. Don't fall for offers from retailers or social media posts that offer phony vouchers or gift cards paired with special promotions or contests.

Black Friday / Cyber Monday Specials
Remember that when a "special offer" sounds too good to be true, it usually is. Never click on links in emails or popups with very deep discount offers.

Charity Tricksters
The holidays are traditionally the time for giving. It's also the time that cyber criminals try to pry money out of people that mean well. It is safest to only donate to charities you already know.

Fake Mobile Apps
Apps can sometimes bypass controls built in by the app store. Be wary of apps from unknown developers or those with limited/bad reviews. Best practice is to only use ones you know and trust!

Bogus Shipping Notices
You are going to see emails supposedly from Amazon or a shipping carrier in your inbox that claim your package has a problem and/or could not be delivered. Many of these are phishing attacks that try to make you click on a link or open an attachment.