

# THE 7 MOST COMMON EMAIL BASED PHISHING RED FLAGS

## CYBER DISTORTION PODCAST

- There is an unexpected or suspicious attachment in the email.
- The email contains a potentially dangerous file type.

**7**  
Did the Email Have Any Attachments?  


**1**  
Who is the Email From?  


- You don't recognize the sender or domain.
- The email was sent from a familiar contact but contains unusual content.

**2**  
Who is the Email Addressed To?  



- You were cc'd on an email but don't recognize the other recipients.
- The email was sent to an unusual mix of people in your organization.

**6**  
What Time Was the Email Sent?  



- You received a routine email - but far outside normal business hours.

**5**  
What Was the Content of the Email?  


- The email contains compromising, threatening, or exploitative content.
- There are multiple spelling and grammar errors, or illogical sentences.

**4**  
What Was The Email Subject?  


- The subject line is irrelevant or doesn't match the message content.
- The email is asking for a response to something you never sent or requested.

**3**  
Does the Email Contain Hyperlinks?  


- Hover over links before you click on them, to confirm the domain.
- Avoid clicking on misspelled and unusually long hyperlinks.

