# MICROSOFT + VALIMAIL:

Complete Phishing and BEC Protection for Microsoft Office 365



Criminals are increasingly using targeted, identity-based phishing attacks to evade legacy email security solutions. In fact, new research shows that 83% of all phishing attacks impersonate the identity of the sender<sup>1</sup> and over 90% contain no malware.<sup>1</sup>

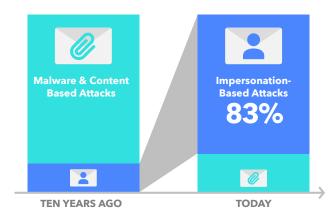
This shift in the threat landscape is coupled with the tremendous frequency and scale at which modern phishing campaigns are now executed. According to a leading global email provider, **68% of daily phishing emails have never been seen before, with the average campaign only lasting 12 minutes.**<sup>2</sup> This means that approaches which rely on historical and behavioral data (such as domain/IP blacklisting, content filtering, and AI/ML modeling) can't keep up.

To ensure protection, organizations must take a layered approach that validates both the identity of the sender and the content of the email. That's why Microsoft, the leader in preventative email protection, post-breach detection, automated investigation and response, and Valimail, the leader in sender-identity based email authentication and authorization, have partnered together to offer comprehensive email security for Microsoft Office 365 clients.

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Given this shift, identity-based protection must now be layered onto existing content-based protection.

## HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

## **DOMAIN SPOOFING PROTECTION**

Valimail automatically identifies all existing and new cloud services (Salesforce, Marketo, Splunk, Workday, DocuSign, etc.) sending email using the customer's organizational domains. Coupled with simple point-and-click authentication/authorization menus, customers benefit from Valimail's speed and efficiency in getting organizations to DMARC enforcement with minimal employee effort - guaranteed.

In partnership with Microsoft, Valimail is the only solution to provide visibility into services that Microsoft Office 365 customers use to email their own employees, such as payroll messages. This unparalleled visibility means Microsoft Office 365 customers are less likely to block good email when they get to DMARC enforcement.

 $<sup>1.\</sup> Barracuda: https://www.mediapost.com/publications/article/333473/brands-are-spoofed-in-83-of-spear-phishing-emails.html$ 

<sup>2.</sup> FireEye: https://www.fireeye.com/offers/rpt-email-threat-report.html

### **SOLUTION BRIEF**

Microsoft uses the intelligence from Valimail, as well as its own anti-spoofing algorithms, to enforce email authentication protocols at the gateway and prevent domain spoofing attempts from reaching employees, customers and supply chain partners.

The result is a best-in-breed integration where administrators know exactly which services are authorized for sending email from their organization's domains while preventing unauthorized senders from phishing unsuspecting users.

## **DOMAIN AND USER** IMPERSONATION PROTECTION

Microsoft's Office 365 Advanced Threat Protection (ATP) provides zero-day protection to safeguard your messaging system by checking email attachments for malicious content, links (URLs), and detecting attempts to impersonate your users and custom domains. ATP anti-phishing applies a set of machine learning models together with impersonation detection algorithms to incoming messages to provide protection for commodity and spear phishing attacks.

When combined with Valimail's domain and user impersonation protection, customers employ two distinct but highly complimentary types of phishing protection to provide comprehensive coverage.

Valimail's Sender Identity Platform provides definitive protection by checking every emailing domain hitting your gateway against their proprietary database of 30+ million trusted domains and your own internal list of trusted open-signup (Gmail, Yahoo, etc.) contacts.

If Valimail authenticates the sender, the email is authorized for delivery to the employee's inbox. If the sender is untrusted, administrators can apply granular policies to label the email, move it to a folder for admin review, or reject the email and not deliver it to the inbox. It's that simple.

### **MICROSOFT + VALIMAIL**

- Eliminates exact-domain spoofing
- Definitive protection against lookalike-domain & opensignup attacks
- Immediate access to historical authentication data
- One-click Office 365 integration
- Free DMARC monitoring for O365 users
- Lowers false positive and false negative rates
- Robust policy application engine for O365 admins
- Visibility into inbound sending services for Office 365

#### **ATTACKS** THREAT DETECTION **SOLUTIONS** Microsoft + Valimail Typical SEG Bad attachments Bad links and suspicious keywords CONTENT **BASED** Ransomware BFC.

Phish Malware IMPERSONATION

BASED

(exact domain) Domain impersonation (lookalike and cousin domains)

Domain spoofing

User impersonation (Gmail, Yahoo, etc.)

100% Guaranteed DMARC Enforcement < 40% DMARC Enforcement Rate

Partial Protection

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Get a complimentary phishing analysis to see what your existing email defenses are missing

MICROSOFT + **VALIMAIL: BEST-IN-BREED ANTI-PHISHING SOLUTION** 

The result is a comprehensive antiphishing solution that definitively stops content-based attacks (malware, links, ransomware) and identity-based attacks (BEC, domain spoofing, executive impersonation) for Office 365 customers.

## Contact us at microsoft@valimail.com to get your complimentary phishing analysis.



Valimail is a pioneering identity-based anti-phishing company that has been ensuring the global trustworthiness of digital communications since 2015. Valimail delivers the only complete, cloud-native platform for validating and authenticating sender identity to stop phishing, protect and amplify brands, and ensure compliance. Valimail has won more than a dozen prestigious cybersecurity technology awards and authenticates billions of messages a month for some of the world's biggest companies, including Uber, Fannie Mae, WeWork, and the U.S. Agency for International Development. For more information visit www.valimail.com.

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