

# 3 SIMPLE STEPS TO PREVENT IDENTITY THEFT

What is phishing and how to spot it?



## 01 EDUCATE YOURSELF

Scammers use email or text messages to trick you into giving them your personal information. They may try to steal your passwords, account numbers, or Social Security numbers. **Phishing emails and text messages may look like they're from a company you know or trust.**



## 02 BE SUSPICIOUS

If you get an email or a text message that asks you to click on a link or open an attachment, ask yourself: **"Do I have an account with the company or know the person that contacted me?"** If yes, contact the company using a phone number or website you know is real. Not the information in the email.

## 03 DO NOT RESPOND, REPORT!

If you got a phishing email or text message, report it. The information you give can help fight the scammers. You can simply report the email, or

contact: [cert@cert.ee](mailto:cert@cert.ee)  
[cyber.politsei.ee](http://cyber.politsei.ee)

