



Email & Collaboration's QR Code Protections

What Protections are included?

At Check Point, we constantly monitor and track the threat actors and attack trends to keep our security engines ahead of the attackers. **This is why Harmony Email and Collaboration started scanning links behind QR codes many years ago.**

As we see more and more of these QR code attacks, we have improved the way that admins understand the QR-code-based attacks that are targeting their environments and improve their ability to report on them. To provide even further protections, we now have enhanced link re-writing to replace QR codes with new ones that point to a re-written link.



QR Code Reporting

Within the Portal, the Link Analysis section of the email page now clearly states when a malicious link is hidden behind a QR code.

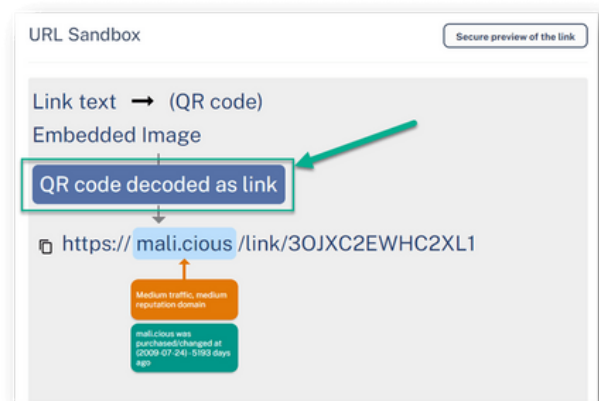
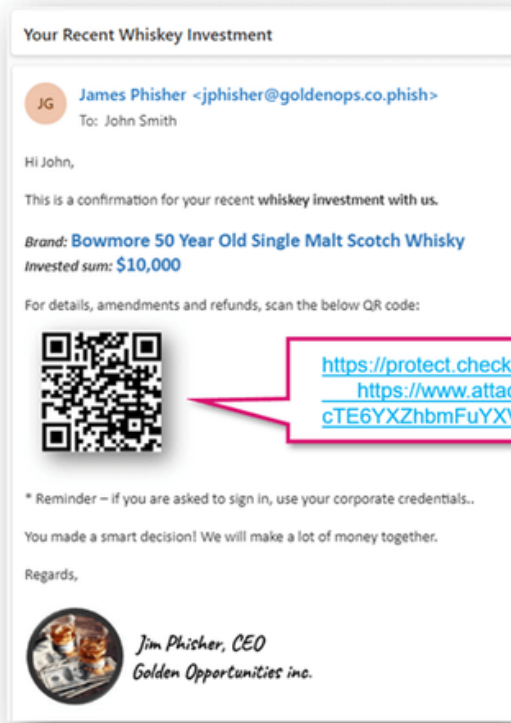
In addition, administrators can filter on all emails with malicious QR codes through the Custom Queries (Detect reason contains QR).



Link Re-Writing

Using URL Emulation and ThreatCloud, HEC replaces the QR code image in the email body with a different QR code that points to a safe, re-written link.

This new capability extends the most advanced link protection in the market to QR codes.



Why is this so Important?

The hottest trend in the world of hackers and bad actors is “quishing” or QR Code phishing.

Our researchers indicate that nearly every one of our customers has been targeted with a QR code attack. **We've been protecting against QR code phishing since 2019.**