

# **The Investigator Newsletter**

## **Survey Scams**



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#### What is it?

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#### Warning Signs

- A survey is more likely to be a scam if it promises extremely high rewards for little effort.
- Legit surveys don't usually require sensitive data like Social Security numbers or financial information.
- Be cautious of survey requests in emails, especially if they contain suspicious links.
- Legitimate surveys have privacy policies defining what your data will be used for.
- Scam emails typically contain spelling and grammatical errors.

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#### Protect Yourself

- Confirm the legitimacy of the survey company or sender. Check their website and contact details.
- Ignore emails from unknown senders.
- Ensure the survey URL is secure and matches the domain of the legitimate company.
- Flag the email and report the incident to the legitimate company.

Stay vigilant and practice online safety to reduce the risk of falling for survey scams!

If you are a victim of scamming, contact BCSI Investigations Inc. for a free consultation with one of our seasoned investigators.



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