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Mail flow rules and what each does, connectors, and the anti-spam, anti-phishing and anti-malware policies (Safe Links and Safe Attachments too) with whom each applies to.

**Filtered view.** Connectors: 2 of 2 rows, 1 column hidden. The headline figures cover every row.

Rules that skip spam  
filtering

0

Mail flow rules turned on

Rules sending mail outside

0

Redirect or copy to outside  
addresses

Allowed sender domains

0

Skip spam filtering by name  
alone

Preset protection

Standard

Standard for everyone

Connectors

2

Incoming and outgoing

**Not checked.** Safe Links and Safe Attachments need Defender for Office 365, which this client doesn't have.

## Needs attention 0

Rules and settings that let unwanted mail in or company mail out, worst first.

Nothing needs attention in the rules, connectors and policies read.

## Mail flow rules 1

Exchange's mail flow (transport) rules, in the order they run. Rules testing without acting (test mode) show as Testing.

| Rule                  | On  | Priority | If                            | Then                             | Except if | Last changed |
|-----------------------|-----|----------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Tag mail from outside | Yes | 0        | From outside the organisation | Adds "[EXTERNAL]" to the subject | –         | 20 Aug 2025  |

## Connectors 2

How mail reaches Microsoft 365 and leaves it other than directly: through a filtering service, a partner, or servers on the premises.

| Connector                   | Direction | On  | Domains    | Servers                      | Encryption                            | Last changed |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----|------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| From mail filtering service | Incoming  | Yes | Any domain | 198.51.100.20, 198.51.100.21 | Required                              | 1 Jun 2025   |
| To mail filtering service   | Outgoing  | Yes | Any domain | relay.mailfilter.example     | TLS with a certificate for the domain | 1 Jun 2025   |

## Protection policies 3

The default policy of each kind applies to everyone no other policy covers. A preset (Standard or Strict) overrides the policies below for the people it covers.

| Policy                      | Kind          | Applies to                      | Preset | Settings                                                                                                                                             | Last changed |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Default                     | Anti-spam     | Everyone no other policy covers | –      | Spam: Junk folder, High confidence spam: Quarantine, Phishing: Quarantine, High confidence phishing: Quarantine, Bulk: Junk folder, Bulk threshold 7 | 29 Sep 2025  |
| Office365 AntiPhish Default | Anti-phishing | Everyone no other policy covers | –      | Spoof intelligence: on, Honours DMARC: on, Unauthenticated sender mark: on                                                                           | 29 Sep 2025  |
| Default                     | Anti-malware  | Everyone no other policy covers | –      | Common attachments filter: on (12 file types), Removes malware after delivery: on                                                                    | 29 Sep 2025  |