MAIL RULES AND PROTECTION

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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. Protection policies: 3 of 3 rows, 1 column hidden. The headline figures cover every row.

Rules that skip spam filtering	Rules sending mail outside	Allowed sender domains	Preset protection	Connectors
0	**0**	**0**	**Standard**	**2**
Mail flow rules turned on	Redirect or copy to outside addresses	Skip spam filtering by name alone	Standard for everyone	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	Sends outside	Last changed
Tag mail from outside	Yes	0	From outside the organisation	Adds “[EXTERNAL]” to the subject	–	No	5 Oct 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	Type	On	Domains	Servers	Encryption	Last changed
From mail filtering service	Incoming	Partner	Yes	Any domain	198.51.100.20, 198.51.100.21	Required	17 Jul 2025
To mail filtering service	Outgoing	Partner	Yes	Any domain	relay.mailfilter.example	TLS with a certificate for the domain	17 Jul 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
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
Office365 AntiPhish Default	Anti-phishing	Everyone no other policy covers	–	Spoof intelligence: on, Honours DMARC: on, Unauthenticated sender mark: on
Default	Anti-malware	Everyone no other policy covers	–	Common attachments filter: on (12 file types), Removes malware after delivery: on

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