

Alerts

Warning: Email with QR code falsely claiming to be from the Solicitors Regulation Authority

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Emails with a QR code purportedly for '2FA Legal Membership Agreement' are not genuine emails from the Solicitors Regulation Authority.

What is the scam?

An email falsely purporting to be from the Solicitors Regulation Authority has been sent. The email provides a QR code and states that the recipient is required to promptly scan the QR code to proceed.

A concern is that the QR code may contain malware.

The email is not a genuine email from the Solicitors Regulation Authority.

For important information about how the Solicitors Regulation Authority uses email, please visit [Emails from us \[https://www.sra.org.uk/home/contact-us/receiving-emails-from-us/\]](https://www.sra.org.uk/home/contact-us/receiving-emails-from-us/).

What should I do?

When a firm's or individual's identity has been copied exactly (or cloned), due diligence is necessary. If you receive correspondence claiming to be from the above firm(s) or individual(s), or information of a similar nature to that described, you should conduct your own due diligence by checking the authenticity of the correspondence by contacting the law firm directly by reliable and established means. You can contact the SRA to find out if individuals or firms are regulated and authorised by the SRA and verify an individual's or firm's practising details. Other verification methods, such as checking public records (e.g. telephone directories and company records) may be required in other circumstances.