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Most phishing attempts work by diguising a malicious link with a label that appears valid. For example, a link might appar as "www.ubc.ca/myaccount", however clicking the link will open the page "www.badsite.com/stealyourpassword"

Microsoft Outlook offers the ability to disable hyperlinks in e-mail messages; this is an option that can help you avoid accidently clicking on a link and visiting a site that contains malicious content. Once the option **Disable links and other funciontlity in phishing messages** is enabled, you will need to manually copy/paste links from your email into your browser in order to visit the site.

The screenshot below is taken from Outlook 2016 where the option has been enabled. For more information, please visit <u>Microsoft's web site</u>.

Junk E-m	ail Options -			×	
Options	Safe Senders	Safe Recipients	Blocked Senders	International	
	Outlook can move messages that appear to be junk e-mail into a special Junk E-mail folder.				
	Choose the level of junk e-mail protection you want:				
(	No Automatic Filtering. Mail from blocked senders is still moved to the Junk E-mail folder.				
(	Low: Move the most obvious junk e-mail to the Junk E-mail folder.				
(	High: Most junk e-mail is caught, but some regular mail may be caught as well. Check your Junk E-mail folder often.				
	Safe Lists Only: Only mail from people or domains on your Safe Senders List or Safe Recipients List will be delivered to your Inbox.				
	Permanently delete suspected junk e-mail instead of moving it to the Junk E-mail folder				
	Disable links and other functionality in phishing messages. (recommended)				
[	Warn me about suspicious domain names in e-mail addresses. (recommended)				
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