

Catch the scam before it catches you.

Try scam text protection

Smishing has reached critical levels. Americans received an average of 19.2 billion spam texts per month as of late 2023 — a near-threefold increase since 2021.

Worldwide, 75% of organizations were targeted by smishing in 2023, yet over **70%** of employees still admit to risky behaviors that leave them exposed.

With SMS now accounting for **35%** of all phishing attempts globally, the threat is more pervasive than ever. The solution? Use Surfshark scam text protection to avoid getting scammed!

What is scam text protection?

Scam text protection is a scam protection feature designed to safeguard people from SMS-based scams (smishing). Its goal is to detect fraudulent messages before anyone can interact with them, reducing the need for constant vigilance.

What are the main benefits of scam text protection?



You can stop worrying about falling for a scam. Suspicious links and fraudulent texts are intercepted, so you're at lower risk of accidentally clicking something dangerous;



Your private data stays private. You can feel secure knowing your messages aren't stored or used to train AI, providing high-level protection without compromising your personal privacy;



You have one less thing to manage. After a one-time setup, you don't have to lift a finger — the filtering happens automatically, allowing you to "set it and forget it" while staying safe;



You can keep using the apps you already love. There is no new interface to learn because everything happens right within your native Messages app.

How does scam text protection work?

When a message is received, the feature analyzes it for known scam signatures and suspicious patterns.

On iOS

If a scam is detected, that message is automatically moved to the **Spam** folder within the native Messages app. You do not receive notifications for these filtered messages, effectively removing the trigger of a scam attempt.

On Android

We notify you when a message looks like a scam. The notification then opens a window in our app where the possible scam message is visible, and we show signs of the scam we caught.