

# **DIGITAL SELF DEFENSE:**

# Recognizing the Real RIT myinfo Page

RIT's "myinfo" web page requires username and password credentials in order to gain access to your private information. Sometimes, an attacker will create a "myinfo" replica website that is designed to steal your login credentials.

Because they look almost exactly alike, it's hard to tell the fake "myinfo" page from the real RIT site. The major difference between the two websites can be found in the address bar, so it's important to read everything within the address bar of a web browser to help ensure your login credentials are not stolen or compromised.

The easiest way to tell if you're at the real myinfo page is to examine the address bar. The URL should always start with "https". The "https" indicates that you're making a secure encrypted connection when you type in your password. A padlock must accompany the https.

Another indication that you're on the legitimate RIT "myinfo" page is that the address should always start with "myinfo.rit.edu". Be aware, however, that "myinfo.rit.edu" could still appear on a SPOOFED page, such as myinfo.rit.edu.us or website.com/myinfo.rit.edu, or other website! All three items: https, padlock, and myinfo.rit.edu must be present.



## **LEGITIMATE SITE INDICATIONS**

In the Address Bar, look for the following (from the left):

- ✓ Internet Explorer: https://myinfo.rit.edu/, the remainder of the URL, and a padlock
- ✓ Google Chrome: green padlock, green Secure | https://myinfo.rit.edu/, the remainder of the URL
- ✔ Firefox: green padlock, https://myinfo.rit.edu/, the remainder of the URL
- ✓ Safari: padlock, https://myinfo.rit.edu/, the remainder of the URL

### SPOOFED SITE INDICATIONS

- If "myinfo.rit.edu" appears anywhere other than the beginning of the URL, you are likely on a spoofed page.
- ✗ If the padlock appears anywhere besides the address bar or the top of your browser, you are likely on a spoofed page.
- If there is NO padlock, you are on a spoofed page.



If you believe you may have visited a spoofed myinfo.rit.edu page, contact the ITS Service Desk (585-475-4357) immediately.

#### **RID RIT** of phishing attempts:

- ✓ REPORT phishing attempts to spam@rit.edu and infosec@rit.edu
- ✓ INSPECT your computer if you clicked on a suspicious link by running a virus scan. (Change your password if you provided it.)
- ✓ DELETE the phishing attempts

Tip: Create a bookmark to the real myinfo.rit.edu and use that to access the page.

For more information, visit the RIT Information Security Phishing page at: <a href="https://www.rit.edu/security/content/phishing">www.rit.edu/security/content/phishing</a>

