

NextGrid Technologies — Phishing Spotter Guide 2026

4 new tricks hitting SA SMEs + 10-minute staff training | Updated: 25 July 2026 | For SA SMEs 5-50 staff | Blocks 99% BEC

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This is the exact checklist we use on R950 Health Checks. Average 4.2 critical issues found. Same-day fix R2,290. No lock-in. Call +27 76 948 9154.

The 4 tricks hitting SA SMEs in 2026

Trick 1: AI invoice with real thread

Attacker hijacks real supplier thread (compromised mailbox), inserts new bank details on same thread. Looks 100% legit. **Check:** Always call supplier on KNOWN number (not number in email) to verify bank change. Enable external banner.

Trick 2: Teams message from IT Helpdesk

Fake IT: 'Your password expires, give MFA code'. Real IT NEVER asks for MFA code. **Fix:** Enable Teams external banner + Safe Links time-of-click + anti-phishing policy. Train staff: no code sharing ever.

Trick 3: Fake Microsoft Unusual sign-in

Real-looking Microsoft logo, link to evilproxy (microsoft.com.security-check.evil.com). Hover link — if not microsoft.com, don't click. **Fix:** We block with anti-phishing policy + Safe Links rewrites every link at click time.

Trick 4: AI voice clone of boss

Boss says 'Pay urgently' via Teams call / WhatsApp voice note. AI clones voice from 30 sec sample. **Fix:** Verify via WhatsApp VIDEO call or second person approval for >R5k payments. Document finance verification process.

10-min training we do (included in R950 Check)

Show 3 real examples from actual SA SME attacks (anonymized). Enable Safe Links to block clicks at time-of-click even if user already clicked. Enable external email banner [External] for all external senders. Monthly 2-min tip in Teams: e.g., '3 RDP ports we found open in Centurion'. No boring slides.

What R950 Check does

We check: Safe Links ON for all users, anti-impersonation for CEO + finance team, external banner ON, finance team verification process documented and tested, 2 free anti-impersonation rules deployed. Report for POPIA evidence.