What is MCAFEE on My Bank Statement or Email? (And Is It a Scam?)

McAfee Billing Scam?

MCAFEE or **MCAFEE*SUBSCRIPTION** is a billing label used by McAfee, a cybersecurity company that provides antivirus and identity protection software. However, it's also a common name used in online scams—so it's important to verify where the charge or message is coming from.

Why Am I Being Charged by McAfee?

If the charge is legitimate, it's likely for:

- A McAfee antivirus subscription (Individual or Family Plan)
- Automatic renewal of a previous free trial or bundle
- A McAfee plan included with your internet provider or device purchase

Charges typically show up as "MCAFEE," "MCAFEE*ANTIVIRUS," or "MCAFEE*AUTO-RENEWAL."

What is McAfee?

McAfee is a well-known cybersecurity company that offers antivirus software, VPN services, identity monitoring, and online security tools for consumers and businesses.

Watch Out: McAfee Email Scams

?? Important: Many scam emails claim to be from McAfee and say things like:

- "Your subscription has been renewed for $399.99"
- "Your computer is at risk — act now!"
- "McAfee invoice attached — payment successful"

These are **phishing emails** meant to scare you into calling a fake support number or clicking a malicious link. **Don't click anything. Don't call the number.**

How to Spot a Fake McAfee Email:

- Comes from a sketchy email like mcafee12345@gmail.com
- Uses poor grammar, weird logos, or urgent threats
- Asks you to call a phone number to cancel

Real McAfee billing emails come from **@mcafee.com** addresses and never ask you to call random phone numbers or download attachments.

How to Cancel a Legit McAfee Subscription

If the charge is legit and you want to cancel:

- Go to home.mcafee.com
- Log into your account
- Go to **My Account > Auto-Renewal Settings**
- Turn off auto-renewal and confirm

You can also contact McAfee support through the website—not by phone numbers in scam emails.

FAQ

What is MCAFEE on my credit card?
: It's usually a charge for antivirus or security software from McAfee, either directly or as a renewal.

Is MCAFEE*SUBSCRIPTION a real charge?
: It can be. Check your McAfee account or contact official support to confirm before disputing.

I got a McAfee email invoice — is it fake?
: If the email has urgent language, poor formatting, or asks you to call a number, it's probably a phishing scam. Don't respond—just delete it.

How do I stop McAfee from charging me?
: Log into your McAfee account and turn off auto-renewal under your subscription settings.

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