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Facebook "like" Scam – Final Part

Like Jacking in Facebook

'Likejacking' is a Facebook-specific version of an attack called 'clickjacking'. The purpose of the attack is to get you to click items on a webpage without your knowledge. The back layer is designed with a Facebook "Like" button configured to follow your mouse cursor. The front layer shows whichever lure you are unfortunate enough to be tricked by, you are actually clicking the Facebook Like button and further spreading the spam.



Scams

Many hackers have similar websites to Facebook. They continuously send emails to people asking to log in to their account to check new photos of their friends, or similar message. When the user opens the website, it looks 100% facebook, then he enters his user id and password, not knowing that his account details is being stolen by a hackers and use it to their own personal use.

How to avoid facebook like scam

Users should carefully review their wall posts if they were tempted by and clicked through one of these scams. If you've been hit with this "likejacking" attack, with a Facebook status update, too. the best you can do is remove the like from your profile and delete the post from your News Feed. You might want to apologize to your friends.



On May 12, 2011, Facebook announced that it is launching several new security features designed to protect users from malware and from getting their accounts hijacked. Facebook will display warnings when users are about to be duped by "clickjacking and cross-site scripting" attacks in which they think they are following a link to an interesting news story or taking action to see a video and instead end up spamming their friends.

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