

Re: Security and Outlook over HTTP

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Gus:

Outlook uses RPC over HTTPS (not HTTP). The security is the same as you would get with a secure web page, one who's address begins with HTTPS and has the lock in the lower-right corner of the browser window. This level of security, with 128-bit encryption, is considered acceptable for most Internet uses, including exchanging personal information (assuming legitimate web sites, of course!) and high-value financial transactions.

Basic authentication (clear-text) is OK in this case because the userID and password are being sent over an encrypted channel (HTTPS) to the small business server and Exchange.

-- Owen Williams

In article <C3521E61-6552-4EA1-B2FB-77580D744AD8@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>, Gus@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx says...

How security is accessing our mail over the internet (HTTP) with Outlook. I set it up using the articles posting on the newsgroup but I'm a bit concern with the security. I'm specifically concerned with the fact that one of the articles had me set the security with basic authentication (sent as text). I also know that the article also mentioned to set 128-bit encryption....does this protection "overrides" the basic authentication?

Also, I guess since the server asks me for ID/password/domain should I safely assume that I'm secure?

Just concerned...any feedback would be appreciated.