

CRES Secure Compose Restrictions Using Websafe

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Introduction

This document describes Cisco Secure Email Encryption (CRES) Secure Compose restrictions introduced on September 28, 2024 when using Websafe.

Prerequisites

Understanding of Cisco Secure Email Encryption Service (formerly known as Cisco Registered Envelope Service).

Background Information

Email Encryption Secure Compose through Websafe permits external, freemail domains gmail.com, yahoo.com and so on to send encrypted emails to other non-registered freemail accounts using CRES exploiting the service capability. New changes are introduced to limit external users from sending encrypted emails without affecting business needs.

Solution

Scenario 1: Emails from External and Freemail Accounts to Corporate Accounts

Cisco Secure Email Encryption Service allows external and freemail users to send encrypted emails to all CRES-registered corporate domains.

From: [redacted]@yahoo.com

To: [redacted]@cisco.com

Secure Email Encryption Service

English (US) | Test User aol mail

Manage Messages

Compose Message

Address Book

Edit Profile

You have logged in using a non-corporate account. Secure messages will be sent to corporate accounts only.

Compose Message

✓ Your email has been sent.

To

CC

BCC

Subject

Attach file

Rich Text Plain Text

Successful Email Delivery

Note: Cisco customers with a valid Secure Email Encryption license must contact Cisco TAC to get their domains registered.

Scenario 2: Emails from External and Freemail Accounts to Other Unregistered, External And Freemail Domains

a) Cisco Secure Email Encryption Service denies attempts to send emails to any of the 20 domains specified in Table 1.0. An error message is displayed prompting the sender to remove the recipients associated with those domains.

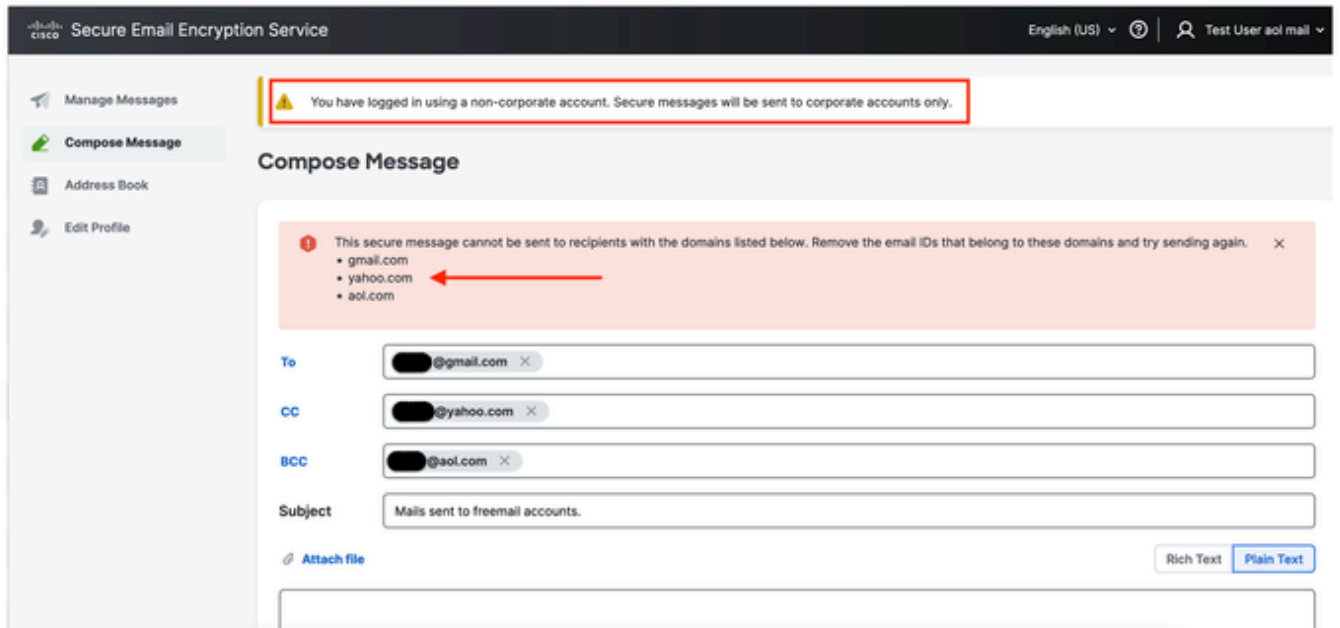
Top 20 Free email domain list:

Table 1.0

Gmail.com
Yahoo.com

Aol.com
hotmail.com
hotmail.co.uk
hotmail.fr
msn.com
yahoo.fr
wanadoo.fr
orange.fr
comcast.net
yahoo.co.uk
yahoo.com.br
yahoo.co.in
live.com
rediffmail.com
free.fr
gmx.de
web.de
yandex.ru

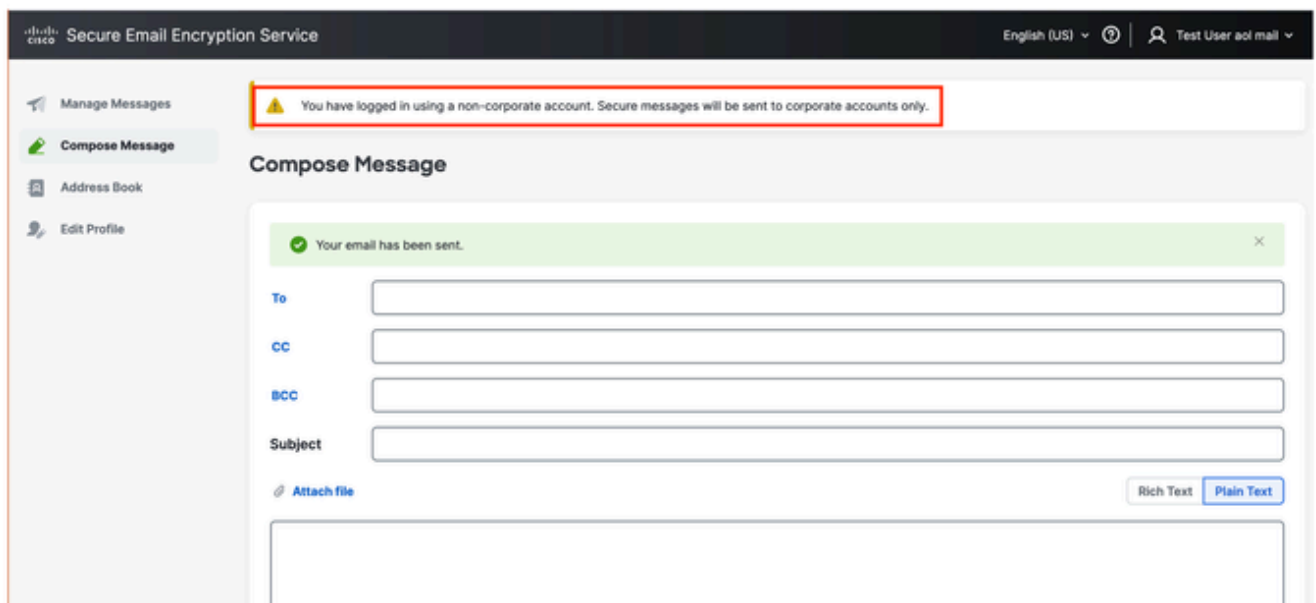
From: [redacted]@yahoo.com
To: [redacted]@gmail.com
CC: [redacted]@yahoo.com
BCC: [redacted]@gmail.com



Email Delivery Denied

b) Cisco Secure Email Encryption Service silently drops emails to accounts that are Unregistered or External and not part of the specified Free Email Domain List, no error message is displayed. Navigate to **Websafe > Manage Message > Search** to verify all the emails sent from the Websafe Portal.

From: [redacted]@yahoo.com
To: [redacted]@abcd.com



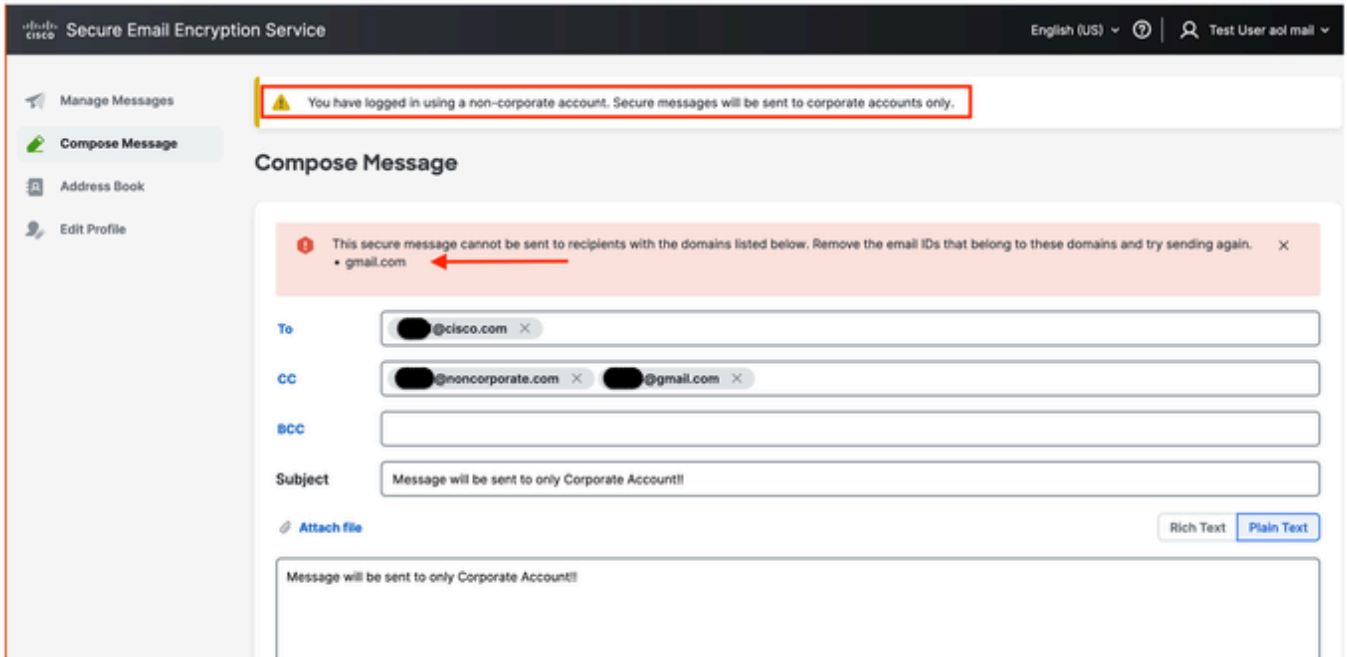
Email To Unregistered Domain



Note: External Users refers to freemail accounts and accounts that are not part of any CRES registered corporate domain.

c) Cisco Secure Email Encryption Service generates an error when attempts are made to send emails to a combination of Registered and Unregistered External Accounts, including both Listed and Unlisted Domains prompting the sender to remove only the recipients associated with the Listed Domains (refer Table 1.0). Emails to recipients of Unregistered Domains that are not part of the list is silently dropped.

From: [redacted]@yahoo.com
To: [redacted]@cisco.com
CC: [redacted]@noncorporate.com; [redacted]@gmail.com



CRES Error

Related Information

[Cisco Secure Email Encryption Account Admin Guide](#)

[Cisco Secure Email Encryption Recipient Guide](#)

[Cisco Technical Support & Downloads](#)