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Phishing Campaigns Target Sports Fans, Consumers

Two phishing campaigns have been targeting consumers of both the FIFA World Cup and one of its longtime partners, Adidas. One campaign attempts to lure victims into clicking on a malicious link under the guise of downloading a World Cup schedule of fixtures and a result tracker, while the second promises a “free” \$50-per-month subscription for Adidas shoes. Today Check Point announced that it has discovered a new phishing campaign linked to the start of the World Cup that targets soccer fans. A known malware that is often used to install potentially unwanted programs (PUPs) and toolbars, adware or system optimizers called DownloaderGuide is embedded in the attachment. Researchers discovered nine different executable files delivered in emails with the subject: “World_Cup_2018_Schedule_and_Scoresheet_V1.86_CB-DL-Manager.”