

MFA & Passkeys

Computing

The factors ranked by how well they resist phishing.

Ordered by resistance to a determined attacker.

Method	Phishable?	Note
Passkey / FIDO2	No	Bound to the domain
Hardware key	No	Same standard, physical
App code (TOTP)	Yes	Can be relayed to a fake site
Push approval	Yes	Vulnerable to prompt fatigue
SMS code	Yes	Also SIM-swap
Email code	Yes	Only as strong as the inbox

Passkeys resist phishing because the browser checks the domain before signing. A fake site cannot obtain a usable signature.