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Mailing List Security Update

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> Wharton mailing lists will run off of a Penn-hosted service starting **April 6, 2026**. Expect minor changes to the way you self-confirm and self-moderate your mailing lists. More information can be found in our article: Wharton Mailing List Migration Updates and documentation will be updated accordingly.

Wharton Mailing Lists have been updated to require confirmation of all messages before they are sent to the mailing list members.

- **Moderators of moderated lists** must approve all messages from senders before they are sent to the list.
- **Senders to unmoderated lists** must click a confirmation link sent to their email immediately after sending a message to the list. You must **click the link within 48 hours to confirm** you sent the message before the list will deliver your message.

> If you do not use the link to confirm your message, it**will be deleted after 48 hours**. If you do not receive the email containing the link within 1 hour, check your junk folder or search for the phrase: '**confirmation required**'.
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> If you still don't see that self-confirmation email and the list is not a moderated list, please contactWharton Computing.

List Types and Behavior

This security feature was launched in December of 2023 and helps protect from potential misuse of mailing lists. There are two main types of Wharton mailing lists: moderated (with oversight by "owners") and unmoderated.

Sender's Role	Moderated List	Unmoderated List
List Member	No need for confirmation, no link sent	Must confirm their own messages to the list before they are released to list members.
Editor	Must confirm their own messages before they are sent to list members.	Must confirm their own messages to the list before they are released to list members.
Moderator	Must approve messages sent by anyone except an editor before they are sent to list members. Must confirm their own messages before they are sent to list members.	N/A

Sender's Role	Moderated List	Unmoderated List
Owner	Must confirm their own messages before they are sent to list members.	Must confirm their own messages before they are sent to list members.

Note: Moderators, Editors, and Owners of moderated lists must confirm their **own** messages before they are sent to list members. Click the link in the confirmation email to send the email to the list.

Questions?

For more extensive information on mailing lists, including troubleshooting tips, see Wharton Mailing Lists.