

ARC & BIMI

- Authenticated Received Chain
- Brand Indicators for Message Identification

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SPF

Validates if the sender is on the domain's whitelist

BIMI

Lets domain owners specify which image appears alongside authenticated messages in recipients' inboxes

ARC

Allows authentication information to survive complex routing, so even forwarded messages and mailing list messages can be validated

DKIM

Validates the message using PKI

DMARC

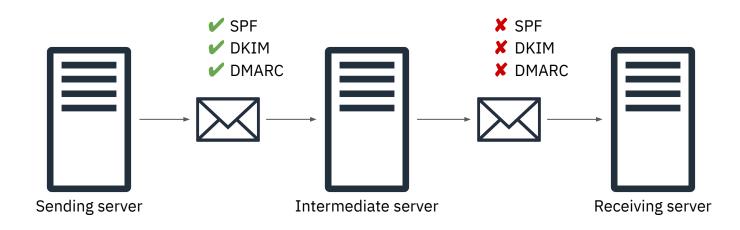
Ensures that the domain the user sees in the visible From: has been authenticated by SPF and/or DKIM





Authenticated Received Chain

ARC What problem are we trying to solve?





ARC How does it work?

Provides an authenticated "chain of custody" for a message, allowing each entity that handles the message to see what entities handled it before, and to see what the message's authentication assessment was at each step in that chain

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ARC only allows for the confirmation of an authentication status that is already attached to the message. It must be used in conjunction with authentication mechanisms such as SPF, DKIM, or DMARC



ARC How does it work?

ARC-Authentication-Results

- Contains a copy of the locally generated Authentication-Results
- SPF, DKIM and DMARC

ARC-Message-Signature

 Signs the current message including normal headers but excluding ARC headers

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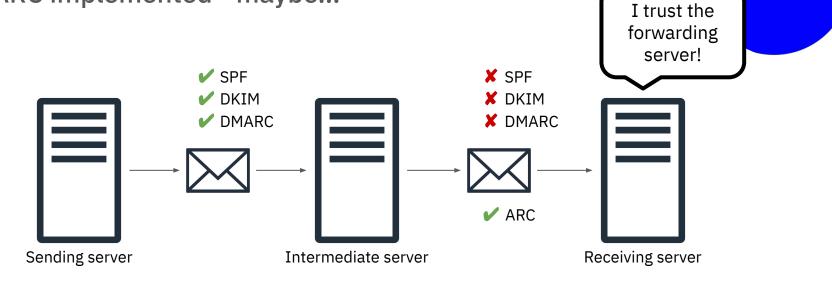
ARC-Seal

• Signs the current ARC headers along with all prior ARC Results and Seals.





ARC With ARC implemented - maybe...



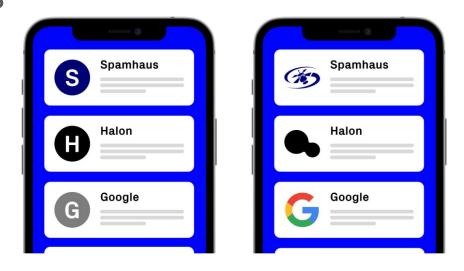




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BIMI What does it do?





BIMI General requirements

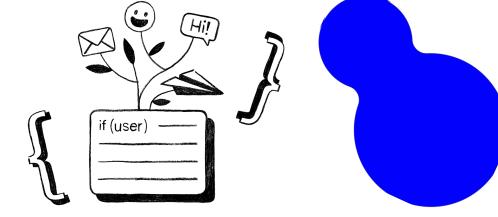
- **DMARC enforcement** Your domain needs to have a strict DMARC policy in place
- **SVG** Your BIMI logo must be published in a specific SVG format
- VMC You must obtain a certificate for your domain
- DNS record
 A BIMI record must be published in your DNS
- **BIMI header** The sending mail server must add a BIMI header

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BIMI Logo requirements



• New SVG format SVG Tiny Portable/Secure - this is to ensure the logo is scalable and secure

• Should be square

and centered properly - might be displayed as a circle or square with rounded corners

• Must be trademarked

Limited to a number of trademark offices and logo must match the trademark exactly



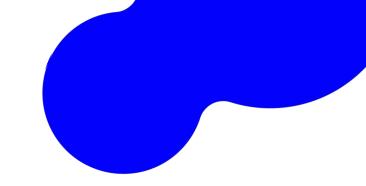
BIMI So what does "exactly" mean?





Conclusion





ARC

- When forwarding messages you should implement ARC
- You should also implement SRS (Sender Rewrite Scheme)
- Do you absolute best to not break DKIM when forwarding messages

BIMI

- Helps drive DMARC adoption, "DMARC for marketers"
- High and expensive entry barrier
- Very nice reward after a successful DMARC project







Thank you!

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