

'Beyond Sketchy': Facebook Demanding Some New Users' Email Passwords | The Daily Beast

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Just two weeks after admitting it stored hundreds of millions of its users' own passwords insecurely, Facebook is demanding some users fork over the password for their outside email account as the price of admission to the social network.

Facebook users are being interrupted by an interstitial demanding they provide the password for the email account they gave to Facebook when signing up. "To continue using Facebook, you'll need to confirm your email," the message demands. "Since you signed up with [email address], you can do that automatically ..."

A form below the message asked for the users' "email password."

"That's beyond sketchy," security consultant Jake Williams told the Daily Beast. "They should not be taking your password or handling your password in the background. If that's what's required to sign up with Facebook, you're better off not being on Facebook."

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