

AOL Mail May Not Be Your Friend

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If you're using AOL for your e-mail, realize that you aren't getting a lot of your legitimate mail anymore. My domain is one that AOL has blocked, in spite of the fact that I only send out personal e-mails at the rate of one or two a day. I guarantee that I'm not the only legitimate AOL blockee. I suspect that AOL's much touted new spam-filters actually cut off entire blocks of subdomains, eliminating some big spammers in those blocks, no doubt, but also hundreds or thousands of legitimate domains within those same blocks. If you want all your real e-mail, demand that AOL move to a trainable fuzzy-logic system. Or just get a better ISP.

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