

Is breakingnews.ie legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 90/100

breakingnews.ie

Verdict

90

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

breakingnews.ie appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Safe for Login

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-11 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 75%.

What this site appears to be

BreakingNews.ie appears to be an Irish news website publishing headlines and articles across national and international news, sport, entertainment and lifestyle categories. The page shows advertising and sponsored content links and provides publisher contact details.

Evidence status and limitations

- Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN
- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
 - Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	24 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 2003 5000 snapshots	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by WE1	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 2003.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

This is an Irish online news publisher presenting continuously updated headlines and articles covering Ireland, world news, sport, entertainment, lifestyle, business, weather, podcasts and related features. Its apparent business model is advertising-supported publishing, supplemented by sponsored content and partner services, with publisher contact details available to visitors.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed. The homepage presents a coherent news-and-media service rather than a credential-harvesting, investment, or payment platform, and the content analysis found no phishing, impersonation, malicious, or suspicious indicators. Interactive testing identified advertising-related network activity and page changes, but no hidden forms, password submissions, wallet connections, clipboard manipulation, or cloaking; these observations are consistent with a dynamic publisher site and do not alter the low-risk assessment.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage is classified as “News / Media” and contains news, sport, entertainment, lifestyle, business, weather, podcast and sponsored-content sections.
- Browser testing recorded 30 external XHR requests and 8 external POST requests, while detecting 0 hidden forms, 0 password-external forms, 0 wallet-provider runs and no cloaking.
- Domain registration records show registration through Elive in 2003, with an age of 23.61 years.
- Historical records contain 5,000 snapshots from 2003 through 2017, covering 15 years with a maximum recorded gap of 1 year.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The available evidence is consistent with an established publishing website, supported by a long registration history, substantial historical continuity, a strong global traffic footprint, and clean external reputation checks. The site does not present a financial-services licensing claim or license number, and the real-world operator identity is not independently verified; this is a due-diligence and disclosure limitation rather than evidence of a scam. The publisher’s apparent activity is media distribution and advertising, not a regulated financial service.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage provides publisher contact details and identifies the service as an Irish news publication.
- External reputation telemetry recorded 0 malicious and 0 suspicious detections; the domain's traffic rank was 32357 and it was within the top 1 million domains.
- The site is served from AS13335, operated by Cloudflare, Inc. in the United States.
- TLS uses issuer WE1 with DV validation and is valid to 2026-09-14.

What to Verify Next

Before any credential or payment interaction associated with the site or a linked partner service, ordinary independent checks should confirm the responsible publisher or merchant, applicable terms and return arrangements, and available payment protections. Any material commercial or subscription offer should be validated through independently sourced contact channels rather than relying solely on links embedded in sponsored content.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage contains sponsored and advertising-feature labels that should be distinguished from editorial reporting.
- Publisher contact details are available on the site and can be compared with independently sourced business information.
- The apparent business model is advertising-supported publishing rather than direct financial services.

Summary Verdict

Available evidence is consistent with an established, apparently legitimate website. The overall posture is high trust and low risk for ordinary browsing and standard site interaction, while independent confirmation of the real-world operator remains outstanding.

Infrastructure Integrity

The website is protected by Cloudflare's CDN/WAF, and observed addressing is consistent with CDN edge infrastructure rather than directly exposed origin hosting. This reduces direct origin exposure and is a mitigating security characteristic, but protective infrastructure alone does not establish the operator's identity or legitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Ordinary use is proportionate to the available evidence; credential or payment interactions should be preceded by independent confirmation of the relevant merchant identity, terms, and payment protections.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-11 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status

UNVERIFIED

Identity score	30/100
Identity verification confidence	50%

- No on-site identity signals detected

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of breakingnews.ie.

- The request stayed on breakingnews.ie. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under Elive. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by cloudflare.com, across 2 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2027-01-07. NOTED
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 2003-01-27. CLEAR
- It is hosted on CLOUDFLARENET, from a server in US. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Elive
Hosting	CLOUDFLARENET - Cloudflare, Inc., US
Country	US
Server IP	2606:4700:20::ac43:444a
Name servers	donna.ns.cloudflare.com, jake.ns.cloudflare.com
SSL issuer	WE1
SSL expiry	2026-09-14
Domain age	23.61 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	2027-01-07
Archive first seen	2003-01-27
Archive snapshots	5000
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about breakingnews.ie at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that

evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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