

Is nginx.org legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 90/100

nginx.org

Verdict

90

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

nginx.org 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 2026-08-16 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 55%.

What this site appears to be

Official NGINX project page providing news, release notes, documentation and links to related projects; mentions enterprise distributions and F5 commercial support.

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

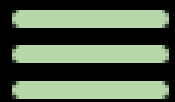
The checks that decide most of this verdict.

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	22 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Never archived No public history of this site	WATCH
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by YE2	NOTED

The page as captured

https://nginx.org/

Join us for the first quarterly NGINX
Community Call on July 22nd to
connect and discuss NGINX
development.



nginx

nainx ("engine x") is an HTTP web server.

What nginx.org served when TrustSniffer captured it on 2026-08-16. The page may look different now.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.
- The operator behind the site could not be independently connected to a real-world brand or person.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is the NGINX project site, presenting an open-source HTTP web server and related projects through release information, security notices, documentation, downloads, community resources, and links to enterprise support and training. Its apparent business model is informational and project-oriented, with commercial services associated with F5 rather than direct consumer transactions.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed: there are no reported phishing, impersonation, malicious-content, or blacklist indicators in the supplied evidence. The homepage content is technically specific and consistent with an established open-source project, describing NGINX as a web server, reverse proxy, cache, load balancer, TCP/UDP proxy, and mail proxy, while also presenting release and vulnerability-fix information. A dynamic assessment did record hidden form elements in both test runs; however, the rendered page showed no login form, no sensitive form, and no external password submission. This is a limited implementation anomaly rather than evidence of impersonation, particularly because the page otherwise presents a coherent documentation and project profile. The real-world operator linkage remains independently unverified, so the apparent legitimacy of the site should not be treated as proof of a specific legal operator.

EVIDENCE

- Domain registration: nginx.org was registered on 2004-12-23 and is approximately 21.66 years old.
- External reputation checks recorded 0 malicious and 0 suspicious detections, with no phishing or blacklist finding; the domain's traffic position was 84.
- The homepage is labelled "nginx" and contains project-specific documentation, release, security, and community content; dynamic testing recorded hidden forms in 2 of 2 runs but 0 external password forms.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The site's disclosed activity is an open-source software project rather than a financial, investment, or other regulated consumer service. The homepage states that NGINX is distributed under the 2-clause BSD License and that enterprise distributions, commercial support, and training are available from F5, Inc. These statements provide a coherent commercial and technical context, but the available evidence does not independently verify the real-world operator or the corporate relationship beyond the site's own presentation. No separate regulatory licensing conclusion is warranted from this website profile; any commercial engagement should therefore be assessed as a software-service relationship rather than assumed to carry a regulated-service status. The high page-authority and established traffic signals support the site's apparent maturity but do not independently establish legal ownership.

EVIDENCE

- Homepage: identifies the NGINX project, describes the 2-clause BSD License, and attributes enterprise distributions, commercial support, and training to F5, Inc.
- Transport security: TLS certificate issued by YE2 using Domain Validation (DV), valid to 2026-10-17T09:12:13+00:00.
- Hosting telemetry: served from AS16509, Amazon.com, Inc. (AMAZON-02 - Amazon.com, Inc., US).

What to Verify Next

Before any credential or payment interaction associated with a commercial service, independently confirm the responsible legal entity and the applicable support or purchasing channel through an established corporate route. For enterprise procurement, verify the stated F5 relationship, contractual counterparty, service terms, refund or cancellation provisions where applicable, and payment protections before committing funds. Security-sensitive downloads should be obtained through the project's documented download and security pages and checked against the project's published release information.

EVIDENCE

- About, enterprise, and project pages: use the site's stated project and commercial-service descriptions as the basis for independent corporate-identity confirmation.
- Download and security pages: compare software obtained there with the corresponding release and security information before deployment.
- Any future account or payment workflow: perform an independent merchant-identity, service-terms, and payment-protection check before submission of credentials or funds.

Summary Verdict

Available evidence is consistent with an established, apparently legitimate website and supports a high-trust, low-risk posture for its stated project and documentation purpose. The conclusion is strong at the site-risk level, while independent verification of the real-world operator remains incomplete.

Infrastructure Integrity

The website is protected by AWS CDN/WAF infrastructure, with all observed addresses associated with CDN edge service and no origin candidates identified in the analysis. This reduces direct exposure of the underlying service and is a meaningful mitigating control, but protective infrastructure alone is not proof of legitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Normal browsing and project-documentation use is proportionate to the assessed posture; ordinary independent identity, service-term, and payment-protection checks should be completed before any credentialed or paid interaction.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-16 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	55/100
Identity verification confidence	60%

- 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 nginx.org.

- The request stayed on nginx.org. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under CSC Corporate Domains, Inc.. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by f5clouddns.com, across 2 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2026-12-23. NOTED
- It is hosted on AMAZON-02, from a server in US. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	CSC Corporate Domains, Inc.
Hosting	AMAZON-02 - Amazon.com, Inc., US
Country	US

Server IP	2a05:d014:5c0:2601::6
Name servers	ns1.f5clouddns.com, ns2.f5clouddns.com
SSL issuer	YE2
SSL expiry	2026-10-17
Domain age	21.66 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	2026-12-23
Archive first seen	Not available
Archive snapshots	0
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 nginx.org 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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