

PROTECT YOUR BUSINESS

CYBERSECURITY: TOP TASKS

There was a cyberattack roughly every 39 seconds in 2022. That means more than 2200 attacks daily. Protect your business with these best practices.

 <h3>UPDATE YOUR SOFTWARE</h3> <p>Software companies offer new versions not only to update features but also to fix known bugs and upgrade security. Don't ignore those update notifications, as they could include valuable protection.</p>	 <h3>ENABLE TWO-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION (F2P)</h3> <p>Add an extra layer of protection by requiring added information to verify identity on top of the username and password. It limits potential compromise.</p>	 <h3>CHECK LINKS BEFORE YOU CLICK</h3> <p>What you see may not be what you get. Hover over the target URL of the link to see where it is going before clicking.</p>
 <h3>DOUBLE CHECK SITES FOR HTTPS</h3> <p>Only encrypted websites will be marked HTTPS by most browsers. This marks the site as more trustworthy and secure. Don't enter data on HTTP-only site.</p>	 <h3>USE STRONG PASSWORDS</h3> <p>Creating more complex passwords takes a little more effort. With password managers, you don't have to worry about remembering stronger credentials. Plus, you can avoid repeating passwords across accounts.</p>	 <h3>AVOID PUBLIC NETWORKS</h3> <p>Wi-Fi hotspots offer convenience, but you sacrifice security. A public connection could be unencrypted, hijacked, or leave you vulnerable to malware, viruses, and log-in credential theft.</p>
 <h3>BACKUP DATA</h3> <p>Back up important data at least weekly, or even daily. This can protect your data from malicious action, natural disasters, or other accidents that cause data loss.</p>	 <h3>SCAN EXTERNAL DEVICES FOR VIRUSES</h3> <p>External storage devices can be infected with malware. Before connecting removable devices to your computer, scan them for viruses and threats.</p>	 <h3>DON'T LEAVE DEVICES UNATTENDED</h3> <p>Always keep your devices with you to prevent loss or theft. Plus, you'll avoid thieves accessing your passwords or other important or confidential data.</p>
 <h3>PROTECT MOBILE DEVICES</h3> <p>Keep your device's operating system up to date. Lock your device with a PIN and use data encryption where possible. Also, install only apps from trusted sources.</p>	 <h3>HAVE A RISK MANAGEMENT PLANS</h3> <p>A cybersecurity plan covering strategy and procedures and outlining how your business will react to attacks can help you cut risk and react more quickly.</p>	 <h3>EDUCATE EMPLOYEES</h3> <p>According to Verizon, 82% of breaches involve human errors or misuse. Teach employees about basic cybersecurity and ensure they consistently follow best practices to reduce your risk.</p>