

We have supported dozens of organisations with their information/cyber security, based upon best practice guidance from GCHQ, the UK Government, the Law Society and the ICO. How does your organisation compare?

| YES | NO | KEY NETWORK CONTROLS (also required by Cyber Essentials) |
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| | | Our procedures set out the regularity of the review of our 'whitelist' and the name of the person responsible for its updating and control. |
| | | Our procedures require that all USB and DVD ports are disabled except on specifically authorised workstations/ devices. |
| | | We have procedures for amendment to user accounts and monitoring of online traffic in the event of notice of termination of employment/contract. |
| | | We maintain a register or lists of approved applications, by device, for every device that connects to our network. |
| | | Our procedures require that the Board receives a report, at least monthly, on the application of any patches (where such has taken place). |
| KEY MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING | | |
| | | Our Board reviews information/cyber security aspects on risk register at least every 6 months. |
| | | All staff receive information security and data protection training at least every 6 months, including enhanced training for the manager(s) responsible for these aspects. |
| | | We have a map/register documenting all of the personal data that we hold, meeting the requirements of Article 30 of the GDPR. |
| | | Our procedures prohibit the use of removable media, unless specifically authorised or managed. |
| | | Our procedures require the review, every day, of the list of spam/junk email received by our organisation to check for potential threats and Data Subject Access Requests. |
| | | We have a register of all devices and the software on those devices that are used for remote/home working by staff or consultants to conduct the everyday work of our organisation. |
| | | Our procedures prohibit the saving of documents saved on 'own' devices through messaging services, or email, unless specifically documented and sanctioned by our organisation. |
| | | Our Business Continuity Plan clearly differentiates between device loss/failure, software failure and malicious attack, and it includes annually tested plans to resolve and mitigate them. |
| | | We have a procedure for reporting on threats and attacks that are currently threatening our network. |
| | | Our Board conducts monthly reviews of our register for recording information security breaches and near misses. |

| Count your 'Yes's | SNAPSHOT EVALUATION |
|-------------------|---|
| 0 - 10 | At significant risk: Insufficient controls or monitoring taking place. |
| 13-14 | At risk: Gaps in controls and monitoring. |
| 15 | Well managed: Good general controls and monitoring in place. |

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PDA CyberChecked is a report; not a 'Standard'. You get an expert report that covers all of the requirements of Cyber Essentials, plus 10 other key factors that are proven information/cyber security safeguards.

(And, for Lexcel accredited organisations PDA CyberChecked supports and enhances your compliance.)

| BEST PRACTICE REQUIREMENT | CYBER ESSENTIALS | PDA CYBERCHECKED | (For Lexcel accredited organisations) TOUCHPOINTS WITH LEXCEL v6.1 |
|--|------------------|------------------|---|
| Firewalls and boundary controls | ✓ | ✓ Enhanced | Requirement for firewalls at 3.2 |
| Secure configuration of the network | ✓ | ✓ Enhanced | Requirement for network configuration at 3.2 |
| Control of user access | ✓ | ✓ Enhanced | Requirement for user accounts at 3.2 |
| Safeguarding against malware | ✓ | ✓ Enhanced | Requirement for dealing with malicious software at 3.2 |
| Managing software patching | ✓ | ✓ Enhanced | Requirement for a register of all software and for a plan for updating and monitoring software; at 3.2 |
| Homeworking and remote working | ✓ | ✓ Enhanced | Requirement for security of assets at 3.2 |
| Risk avoidance planning | ✗ | ✓ | Requirement for Risk Register at 5.1 |
| Map of personal data | ✗ | ✓ | Requirement for documenting personal data at 3.1 |
| File sharing / transfer | ✗ | ✓ | Requirement for security of assets at 3.2 |
| Use of internet and email and messaging | ✗ | ✓ | Requirements at 3.3 (email) and 3.5 (Internet) |
| BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) | ✗ | ✓ | Requirement for security of assets at 3.2 |
| Business continuity for information security | ✗ | ✓ | Requirement for business continuity review at 1.3 |
| Dealing with threats (during/post-event) | ✗ | ✓ | Requirement for business continuity review at 1.3 |
| Breaches and breach registers | ✗ | ✓ | Requirement for reviews of risk data at 5.18 |
| Training | ✗ | ✓ | Requirement for data protection training at 3.1 and information security training at 3.2, and appropriate training for staff at 4.3 |

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