



TOP TIPS FOR PROTECTING AGAINST CYBER-CRIME

01 PASSPHRASE INSTEAD OF PASSWORD



Password123* is not an option! Any password is relatively easy to crack by humans and robots. Passphrases are longer, use more complex spaces and can be easier to remember. Using a favourite song line, quote or statement can offer real peace of mind that your account cannot be compromised.



UPDATE DEVICES

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Out of date or unsupported devices and software can give attackers a back door into your network. Your systems will be missing vital security updates and be more vulnerable to ransomware attacks, malware and data breaches. Review your entire estate and remove or update to minimise risk.

03 MULTI-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION



Sometimes referred to as two-step verification or dual-factor authentication (MFA/2FA) helps to stop hackers from getting into your accounts, even if they have your password. It does this by asking for more information to prove your identity, such as a code that gets sent to your phone.



BACK UPS

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A good backup strategy is essential for cyber security. Backup is the last defence against data loss as it provides a way to restore original data, if there is a breach.

05 CREATE A CYBER AWARE CULTURE



Protect against the human risk element by developing and maintaining a cyber aware culture in your team. Provide training, regular updates and promote openness and ownership awareness. Cyber security is everyone's responsibility.