

# A CYBERSECURITY GUIDE FOR BUSINESSES

## STAY SECURE WITH THESE TIPS



### Don't forget about tablets & smartphones.

Mobile devices can be a source of security challenges, especially if they hold confidential information or can access your business network.



### Patch software in a timely manner.

Software vendors regularly provide patches or updates to their products to correct security flaws and improve functionality. A good practice is to download and install these software updates as soon as they are available.



### Pay close attention to your bank accounts and watch for unauthorized withdrawals.

Put in additional controls, such as confirmation calls before financial transfers are authorized with the financial institution.



### Watch out for red flag transactions and bills.

Scams can range from payments with a worthless check or a fake credit or debit card to fraudulent returns or merchandise. Be sure you have insurance to protect against risk.



### Make backup copies of important systems and data.

Regularly backup the data from computers used by your business. In addition, regularly backup sensitive business data to a storage device at a secondary location that is secure.



### Educate yourself.

Learn more about protecting your business at [dhs.gov/publications](https://www.dhs.gov/publications).