

"The Home & Remote working security assessment undertaken for us by CyberScale allowed us to gain an independent view of the security implications, along with a clear set of recommendations to address any opportunities for improvement helping us move forward with full confidence."

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New way of working - new risks

As more businesses embrace home and remote working options for their teams on a more permanent basis, it is imperative that different and additional cyber and information security risks are fully understood and accounted for.

The effectiveness of technical measures such as corporate firewalls and monitoring solutions based on devices and personnel working inside the corporate network may be compromised. Policies, guidelines, and support processes may need to be updated and communicated to reflect new risks along with updated working practices required to address them. Training and awareness take on greater importance than ever.

Cyber criminals are constantly evolving their approaches to phishing emails and social engineering campaigns, as well as targeting less secure home networks to take advantage of the "new normal" and it's critical that businesses evolve their prevention and management capabilities too.

It's not just home working either. If you're enabling your teams to work remotely, they may be at home most of the time, but staff might work from other places too. Not everyone has an office and a quiet place to work at home, so often co-working spaces, coffee shops and even friends or families homes might become an office for a day, or more.

The Assessment Process

1.

Discovery

Through a combination of talking with your team and reviewing key documentation, we'll capture all of the relevant information we need to assess your remote and home working security.

2.

Identify risks

We'll assess your use of technology along with supporting policies, processes and training to identify any security concerns relating to home and remote working

3.

Recommendations

We'll provide a report clearly outlining your key areas of risk relating to remote working, along with our recommendations for eliminating or managing those risks.

4.

Action Plan

We'll spend time to run through the report and recommendations with you, and develop a clear action plan to enable you to move forward with your remote and home working arrangements safely.

HOME & REMOTE WORKING SECURITY ASSESSMENT

Approach

Discovery workshops

The engagement will commence with remotely delivered discovery workshops led by a senior security consultant, attended by key business representatives.

The purpose of the workshops will be to understand how home and remote working is currently enabled at your company including systems, policies, processes, and current controls.

The consultant will cover the following areas as part of the review:

- **Relevant policies and guidelines if in place, such as:**
 - **Homeworking, remote working, teleworking**
 - **Acceptable use**
 - **Access Management, remote access**
 - **Mobile device**
 - **Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)**
- Remote working/remote access technology – VPN, Remote Desktop, Virtual Desktops etc.
- **Network configuration and security**
- Management of remote assets – Patching, AntiVirus updates, Software delivery etc.
- **Supporting processes**
- Data visibility and management
- **Backups**
- Encryption
- **Approval processes**
- Monitoring, Auditing and Alerting

- **Support and Incident Management processes**
- Training
- **Home network devices**
- Wireless networks
- **Physical Security of devices**

Additional areas may be identified as the review process progresses.

The consultant will work with you to identify the most appropriate personnel/roles to provide information on the various topics, and to schedule workshops accordingly.

REPORTING

Current position

Your dedicated consultant will provide a summary report based on the discovery conducted which will outline the current security posture of your homeworking policies, practices, and technology. The report will identify any key vulnerabilities and areas of risk and opportunities for improvement and risk reduction.

Recommendations

Based on the risks identified, the consultant will provide a set of high-level recommendations for areas of focus designed to reduce risks associated with home and remote working.

Presentation/review/next steps

The consultant will present the report findings and recommendations back to you and your team, and provide the opportunity for you to ask questions and discuss possible options and details for next steps in further detail.

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