

# CYBER HEALTH SAFETY CHECKLIST

## Remote Working Edition



### 1 Company Policies and Procedures

Refer to all relevant policies your organisation has related to cybersecurity and remote working. For example a Virtual Private Network (VPN) and Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) may have already been set up by your IT department. Ask them about how to secure your home router as well. If you are in a smaller organisation, or even a sole trader, don't worry, as you can set up your own VPN, MFA and secure your home router to enjoy that level of protection too.



### 2 Your Desk

- Secure work-related items.
- Keep your devices away from open windows.
- Lock your device if you leave it even for a short break to protect it from prying eyes and pawing pets.
- Personally Identifiable Information (PII) does not belong on your desk.



### 3 Email & Messaging

- Pay careful attention to emails and look out for the red flags. If in doubt, don't click or reply.
- Report all suspicious emails to IT.
- Be aware of SMS phishing (smishing) and Voice phishing (vishing).
- Pay careful attention to social media links, as they can also be malicious.



### 4 Environment

- Check your surroundings for video calls – what's behind you? Do a test just to make sure.
- Keep work-related paperwork and information secure.
- Confidential conversations are private, so turn off Alexa and Google Home, etc.
- Have a cover for your whiteboard or move it if needed.



### 5 Apps & Devices

- Ensure you are using company-approved or licensed software and make sure it is up to date.
- Refrain from sharing work devices.
- Make sure your devices are access protected using a password or PIN.



### 6 Information & Data

- Only use company-supported storage for data such as OneDrive or an internal shared drive.
- Refrain from using USBs or external hard drives unless they are secure.
- Use caution when sharing information on social media.



### 7 Passphrases

- Use unique passphrases (passwords) and never reuse them.
- Don't share your passwords.
- Use a password management tool to help you manage all of your passwords.



These 7 items are guidelines only. If you have an IT department, please refer to them for assistance. You can also find more great info on our website.