

Checklist

How Does Your Security Strategy Measure Up?

The rise of digital transformation and the enterprise improvements it brings are tempered by constant worry about security breaches, malware and ransomware attacks.

While no organisation is completely safe, it's important to take a no-fear, proactive approach to protecting your digital assets. To do that, it's critical to know what companies like yours value most in a comprehensive security strategy – and to compare your own strategy to see how it measures up.

As you work to balance the needs of your business with defending against the threat of attack from both inside and outside of your organisation, it's clear that the investment you make in your security infrastructure, programs and policies is of the utmost importance. A well-rounded security program should help you:

- · Identify Your Risks Without Making Security Decisions Based on Fear
- · Make Security the Enabler of "Yes," Not the Facilitator of "No"
- Approach Security from Both a Risk- and Threat-Centric Perspective
- Take a Holistic Approach to Security While Leveraging Your Existing Investments
- Differentiate Between Compliance and Security While Both Are Important, They're Not the Same

The first step in creating a security solution that works is admitting that your business is at risk. It's not a matter of if you'll be attacked, but when an attack will occur, so it's critical to plan for prevention as well as the identification and speedy resolution of an attack itself. Start by aligning your security strategy with your business needs, identifying and prioritizing your risk, examining the potential impact of various threats, and creating a best-practices program to combat them.





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As you evaluate your current security programs and policies, consider this list of critical security strategies and skills to see how your program compares. How many of these can you check off the list?

Comprehensive Assessment

Security Architecture Aligned with Your Business Goals

Risk Assessments that Go Beyond Technology

Vulnerability Assessment of Assets in the Cloud and On-Premises, Including IoT/Non-Traditional IT Assets

Adherence to a Security Framework (i.e., CIS, NIST CSF or ISO 27001)

Gap Assessment and Peer Comparisons against Security Framework or Regulatory Compliance Controls

Detect and Correct Vulnerabilities

Asset Inventory for Devices and Applications Across Your Estate (for Comprehensive Visibility)

Endpoint Detection and Response Solutions (EDR)

User and Entity Behavior Analytics (UEBA) to Address Insider Threats or Show Suspicious Activity

DNS Security Solutions for On-Premise and Remote Users

Adaptive Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) to Detect Vulnerabilities in a Frictionless Manner and Protect Against Credential Theft

Email Security to Address Phishing and Business Email Compromise (BEC)

Secure Wireless Solutions across the Enterprise

Security Awareness Training for Your Knowledge Workers

Defense Hardening

Device Hardening Using CIS Industry Benchmarks (or Equivalent) to Reduce Attack Surface

Next-Generation Intrusion Prevention Systems (IPS)

Network Access Control for Differentiated Access by User Role and Application

Legacy Firewall Migration to Next-Generation Firewalls

Secure Internet Gateways (SIG) to Protect Enterprise Traffic

Network Segmentation and Microsegmentation to Deter Lateral Threat Movement

Least Privilege and Zero Trust Principle Implementations

Privileged Access Management (PAM)

Incident Response Management

Emergency Incident Response

Proactive Incident Response Planning and Testing

Forensic Analysis and Threat Hunting

Compliance with Industry Standards

HIPAA

NIST

ISO 27000

PCI

SSAE16 SOC Type 2

Management & Monitoring

Security Incident and Event Management (SIEM) Solutions

Managed Network Security 24x7x365

Managed Endpoint Security 24x7x365

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