

Cybersecurity

Checklist For Working Remotely

Staying Secure Off-Network

Like it or not, the world is going remote. The trend has been growing over the last few years, and now more people than ever are logging into work from their home devices. Some of us are already used to the remote work trend. But for a lot of us, this whole “remote work” thing is totally new.

While you work to figure out your new routine and how to manage distractions, you also need to consider the impact remote work has on your company’s cybersecurity.

Remote work puts us at unique security risks. After all, the perimeter is *gone*. We’re not safe behind the company’s network firewall. A lot of the usual security precautions that we take for granted are no longer happening in the background. It kind of means **we’re on our own**.

But you’re not on your own! To help you make the best of working from home, we wanted to share this cybersecurity checklist that will help you stay safe online while working from home.



Secure your home WiFi connection

If your home Wi-Fi password was “1234”, it’s time to give it a makeover. Enable WPA2-PSK (AES) if possible, with a long passphrase. If you need password ideas, use [diceware](#).



Use a password manager

This allows you to generate and track unique passwords easily. This minimizes the damage from one password being compromised.



Enable 2FA on all eligible applications



Keep roommates and family members from using your work devices



Limit program and file access to necessary parties



Enforce session timeouts on software with sensitive information



Enable Full Disk Encryption on your laptop



Setup regular backups to a local drive and the cloud



Keep applications up-to-date

When Chrome wants you to update, update! Not complying quickly can leave your browser vulnerable.



Enable DNS threat protection on all devices

[Get DNS security free for 14 days](#)

Looking for more resources while you work from home? Here’s some recommended reading:

- [Our favorite work-from-home tools](#)
- [6 website security tips](#) (your boss might like this one)
- [Everything you need to know about roaming clients](#) (this is how DNSFilter protects you on your home device!)
- [7 keys to a great development process](#) (you’ll need some new processes in this new world, and this post should help you out)