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How to check if your business is cybersecure, plus bonus checklist to download.



Unless you've been living under a rock, you will be aware that cyber-attacks are rife at the moment, putting everyone's personal data at risk. While having your own data exposed is a major concern, of more concern if you own a business, is having your clients' data exposed. As the business owner, it is your responsibility to ensure that your clients' personal details are kept under lock and key. It is your responsibility to ensure that your business is cyber-secure.

But how do you know if your business is cyber-secure?

Luckily, the Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) has you covered! They have introduced an all-in-one platform that your business can use to assess and improve cyber security practices. Once your business has completed the exercises, you will receive a report that outlines areas that need improvement. You can use this report to review your policies around cyber security and make the required changes. The ACSC cyber security assessment is called <u>"Exercise in a Box"</u> and is free to use.

As a bonus in this newsletter, we are sharing a checklist with you. This checklist is for those of you who have remote staff who use their own devices for work. The checklist is from <u>Practice Protect</u> which is the software our firm uses to keep our client's data secure. It is directed towards accounting firms, but I believe the tips provided could be used in any business. Here it is: <u>download here</u>.

Cybersecurity is something we all should be thinking about. Business owners, however, need to do more than just think about it. They need to ensure their businesses are actively practicing safe digital behaviours that aim to secure their clients' data at all times.

## Latest Articles



#### ATO Has Recommenced Tax & Super Debt Collection Activities...

During the past 2 years of the COVID-19 pandemic, the ATO deliberately halted tax and super debt collection in order to assist businesses and taxpayers affected by the pandemic's consequences. But now they are back on the bandwagon. Debt collection has recommenced!



#### Can I Claim the GST on That?

This is a list of common business purchases and whether or not each one includes GST or not. Bookmark it now to make your bookkeeping and BAS prep easier!



#### New Paid Family & Domestic Violence Leave

Employees (full-time, parttime, and casual), will



### A Better Employee Onboarding Experience is Coming...

The way new employees

soon be able to access 10 days of paid family and domestic violence leave in a 12-month period. This will replace the current 5 days of unpaid leave available to affected employees. are onboarded is changing.

#### <u>Enter the "New</u> <u>Employment Form".</u>

This is an all-in-one onboarding form that new employees access from their myGov accounts.

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