

Cybersecurity Solutions Cyber Essentials

Overview

Cyber Essentials is a UK Government operated scheme that was introduced in 2014 by the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC). This offers small-medium sized businesses a straightforward process to tackle cyber threats and achieve a high standard of cyber security. By aligning with the five critical technical controls of the standard, businesses can protect themselves from up to 80% of common internet-based attacks, as well as demonstrate to clients and prospects that they take cyber security and data protection seriously.

Cyber Essentials

This is an assessment process that identifies your level of exposure to a wide variety of the most common cyber attacks. It is important because vulnerability to basic attacks can mark you out as a future target for cyber criminals. Cyber Essentials shows you how to address vulnerabilities and prevent the most common attacks. Certification gives peace of mind that your defences are ready to protect against the vast majority of cyber attacks. Typically these attacks are looking for targets which do not have the Cyber Essentials recommended precesses in place.

The Cyber Essentials process

Identify requirements

Baseline against the five critical security controls.

Develop cyber security policy

Identify existing weaknesses in your security and determine where you are now and where you need to be. Create a set of initiatives to address the high priority risks and control gaps.

Plan and implement

Using the gap analysis, identify a set of actions to implement improvements and test their effectiveness.

Complete and submit self-assessment questionnaire for an audit

Provide evidence that your cyber security policy meets the five critical security goals. If your evaluation is successful you will be notified and receive certification within five days.

Annual renewal

It is recommended that the Cyber Essentials certification is reviewed and resubmitted annually to maintain compliance.

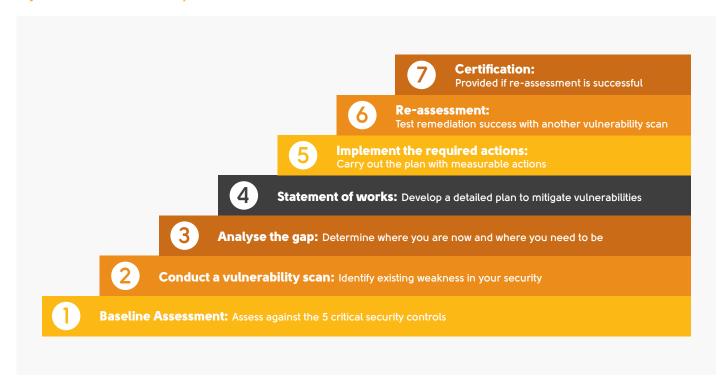
The Cyber Essentials process helps you to identify the steps you need to take to mitigate common cyber threats.



Cyber Essentials Plus

This follows the same standards as Cyber Essentials but it is independently assessed, giving you the additional benefit of independent approval from a cyber security expert. This not only provides you with the reassurance that you have implemented government-recommended security measures, but also demonstrates that you are a reliable partner.

Cyber Essentials Plus process



Our team of cyber security experts will help you through the Cyber Essentials Plus process to ensure you have the highest level of protection available.

Cyber Essentials vs Cyber Essentials Plus

Cyber Essentials Plus starts with a verified self assessment questionnaire, but also includes a technical audit of your systems to check that the requisite controls are in place. These are the same for Cyber Essentials and Cyber Essentials Plus, but with Plus the level of assurance is higher as the controls are checked by an independent third party.



Benefits of Cyber Essentials



The only government-backed UK cybersecurity standard.



Accreditation is required for education organisations with government funding.



It is mandatory for government tenders where sensitive data is handled.



Provides customers and partners with verified proof that your business is secure.



Achieving Cyber Essentials Plus ensures that you have a competitive edge over non-accredited organisations.



The assessment will give you a much better understanding of your cyber security risks and expert advice on mitigation.

Cyber Tec Security

Sure have partnered with Cyber Tec Security who are a specialist IASME certification body, committed to improving the security health of businesses across the UK. With over 30 years' experience in the industry, they are experts in helping organisations to align with the Government's Cyber Essentials standard.

Advisory & Design

At Sure we have a team of specialist consultants with extensive expertise in cybersecurity solutions. We can help you audit your infrastructure and processes, identify risks and vulnerabilities and implement robust security systems and policies.