



# 10 Top Tips for Cyber Risk Reduction

## Take control of cyber risks

### **1. Understand**

Understand the risks to your business and create a register of system, people and premises risks.

### **2. Plan**

Think about what you will do when it goes wrong and build a plan.

### **3. Rules**

Create a set of Rules by which you operate your systems, people and premises.

#### **4. Malware**

Avoid malicious Malware and don't install untrusted "freeware"

#### **5. Passwords**

Ensure your Passwords are secure, updated often and not shared amongs people.

**25% of SMEs won't survive a data security breach.**

#### **6. Update**

Apply appropriate security patches to Update systems and reduce vulnerability.

#### **7. People**

People error is the number one cause of data breach. Educate your people about IT security.

**50% of data security breaches are caused by human error.**

#### **8. Mobile**

Data is now Mobile so think about where it is stored to prevent loss or theft.

£75K is the average cost of an SME data security breach.

#### **9. Backup**

Backup your systems and data regularly, don't leave this to chance.

#### **10. Involve**

Involve everyone. Make sure you train and inform people, everyone has a role to play.

**75% of SMEs have experienced a cyber attack in the last 12 months**

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