Cyber Essentials

Do you have confidence in the security of your business data and IT systems? Is your organisation robustly protected from both internal and external threats? Do you know what best practice looks like?

APH's Cyber Essentials offering gives your growing business absolute peace of mind. Drawing on our Cyber Essentials accreditation and ongoing work with ISO 27001, we offer a two-part programme, encompassing multiple products and services, to protect your organisation today and into the future.

Part 1: Initial Assessment

The Initial Assessment appraises your organisation against the Cyber Essentials Framework, the government-backed scheme which protects against the most common and damaging cyberattacks.

Our expert consultants:
- Define the scope of your assessment and which areas of your organisation to cover – generally the complete business, though occasionally specific departments or functions.

- Audit and track the existing cybersecurity measures that you have in place, providing the business computer systems and network documentation required to outline IT security.

- Outline and provide an action plan to bridge any gaps to full Cyber Essentials Certification.

- Work with you to implement these changes, building and providing policies for ongoing assessment of your business's cybersecurity posture.

- Provide an assessment of your domains against the Dark web to identify any vulnerabilities.

Ultimately, we guide you seamlessly through the Cyber Essentials application process to achieving certification, reviewing the assessment work in order to agree future assessments.

Typically an Initial Assessment lasts two days, with a fee of £1200, plus a £300 Cyber Essentials certification fee. Cyber Essentials Plus is available on application.

Part 2: Cyber Essentials Advanced Care Pack

Once your organisation has achieved Cyber Essentials certification, we offer our ongoing Cyber Security Advanced Care Pack, which ensures not only that your compliance is maintained, but also that you can demonstrate this compliance to customers, partners and auditors.

We deliver this service through a combination of our own expert consultants and a network of highly-specialised partners, ensuring a top-quality service across every element of your security. Services include:

- Managed Firewall Services including documentation of all security policies and settings,

  and cloud-based alerting and management.

- Endpoint encryption.

- Data Loss Prevention (DLP), with device control to limit the risk of data loss.

- Managed Wireless Services, managed and monitored 24/7 by APH through our cloud.

- Multi Factor Authentication, particularly focused on external cloud-based systems such as Office365 and APH cloud hosting.

- Mobile device security – extending your security policies to include all of your organisation's mobile devices.

- Dark Web monitoring of all domains owned by your organisation.

- Security Awareness Training, encompassing guidelines and best practices to ensure your business is sufficiently trained on the IT security measures in place and can pass this information onto the entire organisation.

Our Cyber Essentials Care Pack is based on a 12, 24 or 36 month contract.

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End-to-end assurance

Our Cyber Essentials offering helps your business to achieve absolute confidence both internally and externally.

Provide assurance to your staff, customers and partners that you are taking comprehensive measures to protect against the risk of cyberattack. Win more business by demonstrating that you have taken suitable action to protect your IT from attack. And ensure that all stakeholders have a clear picture of your cybersecurity posture – today and into the future.

Why APH

APH is a managed IT services provider, which means we understand better than anyone else the relationship between your technology, your people, and your business goals. Our role is to function as your IT department, at precisely the levels of support and input you require. You gain enterprise technology expertise and advice in the most cost-effective way possible, freeing up internal resource to focus on making your business better.