



CYBER MYTHS DEBUNKED

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CHECKLIST

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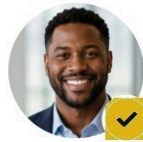
10 Steps To Build A CYBER-SMART TEAM

Follow these 10 steps to make every employee a stronger defender of your business.



1. TRAIN YOUR TEAM

Use interactive training that helps employees understand real-world risks.



2. ENCOURAGE OPEN COMMUNICATION

Make cybersecurity a regular conversation within your team.



3. TEST YOUR TEAM'S READINESS

Use phishing simulations to measure preparedness and turn mistakes into learning opportunities.



4. MAKE IT PERSONAL

Show employees how cybersecurity protects both company information and their personal data.



5. LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Position leaders to model the secure habits they expect from everyone else.



6. ESTABLISH CLEAR GUIDELINES

Develop security policies that are easy to understand and follow.



7. TAILOR TRAINING BY ROLE

Provide guidance that reflects the specific risks and responsibilities of each employee.



8. UNITE YOUR TEAM

Help employees understand that every secure action contributes to a safer business.



9. ENCOURAGE EMPLOYEES TO SPEAK UP

Make reporting suspicious activity easy and safe.



10. RECOGNIZE GOOD PRACTICES

Acknowledge and reward employees who take security seriously.



**Security awareness isn't a
one-time training. It's a culture.**

Let's build your cyber-smart team.