



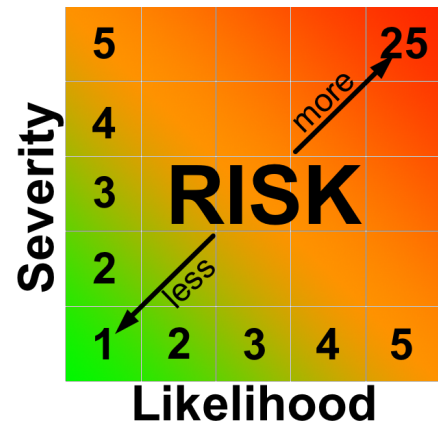
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**Risk Assessment**

- 1) Assets: What do I need to protect?
- 2) Adversaries: Who do I need to protect assets from?
- 3) Likelihood: How likely will I need to protect the assets?
- 4) Severity: How bad are the consequences if they get the assets?
- 5) Trade-offs: How far will I go to prevent the adversaries?  
 (ex: time, money, convenience)

**RISK = SEVERITY x LIKELIHOOD**



**Strategies**

- 1) Contain - Isolate Inside / Outside
  - ex: Accounts, Networks
- 2) Harden - Only what you NEED for as long as NECESSARY
  - ex: minimize apps, browser plugins, users, accounts, features (WiFi, Bluetooth), sharing
  - Keep software current (enable auto-updates)
  - Install from reputable sources, ask:
    - Authentic?
    - Business Model? Free/Paid? “Free” services aren’t free, sometimes it pays to pay
    - Commitment? How specialized?
    - Is security a priority? How frequent are updates?
  - Sharing (location, photo, contacts), ask: why does THIS app need THIS info?

**Key Takeaways**

- Email: Prevent Phishing (Avoid links/attachments)
- Home WiFi: Configure strong password, disable WPS, update regularly
- Traveling: Public systems untrustworthy: Avoid public WiFi or use a VPN, avoid public computers
- Devices: Don’t leave unattended, set lock screens+passwords, only install what you NEED from reputable sources, update regularly
- Browsing: Use a password manager for unique, strong passwords across websites + multi-factor authentication
- Social Media: Beware what you share!

**@ Home**

- Perimeter => Inward (Gateway => Devices)
- WiFi Contain + Harden
  - Use strong encryption
  - Configure strong unique passwords for internal & guests networks
  - Disable WPS, unused services (remote management, etc.)
  - Update frequently

**Traveling**

- DON'T leave devices UNATTENDED
- Treat public systems as untrustworthy
  - DON'T use open WiFi without a VPN
  - DON'T use public computers (ex: hotel lobbies)
- Travel with only the data you need
- DON'T have items in printers/fax

**Devices**

- Enable full disk encryption
- Enable lock screen + password
- DON'T JAILBREAK! Only install what you NEED & keep updated
- Separate Admin from User accounts
- Cover laptop camera/microphone
- User your own (trusted) peripherals/accessories

**Security Online**

- Email
  - Avoid Phishing (Avoid links/attachments)
  - Avoid public away messages, Reply-All
- Browsing
  - Ensure sites use ENCRYPTION (https), plugin: HTTPS Everywhere
  - Disable: stored passwords, form auto-fill
  - Enable: prompts for: installs, enabling plugins

**Data Security / Privacy**

- Audit privacy settings with “privacy checkups”, plugin: Privacy Badger
- Don't store credit card info on sites
- Don't sign-in to Chrome, Google or YouTube when browsing
- Use anonymous search engine (ex: DuckDuckGo)
- Use encrypted messaging (ex: Signal)
- Create secure, encrypted backups - protection from Ransomware

**Social Media**

- THINK before you SHARE: once online it's FOREVER
- Remove sensitive information or make private (birthday, maiden name, etc.)
- Avoid posting, tagging photos or location when away
- Avoid posting photos of valuables
- Separate accounts (family, work, interests)

**Resources**

Was my data exposed in a breach?

- <https://haveibeenpwned.com>

Keep current on security

- Krebs on Security Blog (<https://krebsonsecurity.com>)
- Electronic Frontiers Foundation (<https://ssd.eff.org>)
- SANS Institute OUCH! Newsletter (<https://securingthehuman.sans.org/ouch>)

Browser plugins

- HTTPS Everywhere
- Privacy Badger

**Tools**

- KeePassX - Password Manager
- Signal - Encrypted Messaging & Voice calls
- VPN (don't use a free one)

Reviews

- <https://thatoneprivacysite.net>
- <https://www.privacytools.io>

Privacy/Tracking “Checkups”

- <https://myactivity.google.com>
- <https://panopticklick.eff.org>

World Privacy Forum's Top Ten Opt Outs