

10 Simple Steps to Protect Data in Your Home Office

Divide and Conquer



Physically separate network and work devices from high traffic areas.

Use an Ethernet Connection



A wired connection is the most secure when available.

Rename Your Network



Network names should be identifiable by you, but not neighbors or attackers.

Update All Passwords Turn On Automatic Updates



Never use the default passwords on any device or system.



Allow all devices and security systems to accept updates automatically.

Enable 2FA/MFA



Options will vary by device or system, but should always be used.

Encrypt Network Traffic



Enable WPA2 or WPA3 for all network devices.

Enable Firewalls



Use firewalls and Network Address Translation (NAT).

Mute Smart Devices



Smart speakers are always listening and recording data.

Use a Headset



A headset or ear buds with a mic can prevent spoken data from being overheard or recorded.