

Password management best practices for your small business

Password management and employee training can help you streamline critical and time-intensive responsibilities like monitoring, maintaining and securing your technology so you can focus on delivering value to support your small business.



How to help make your password choices more secure

- Enforce 8 character minimum length
- Make your password hard to guess, even for people who know you well
- Never share your password
- Implement multi-factor authentication (MFA)
- Don't write your password down on paper or applications that are not secure
- Use a trusted password management tool

Bad password choices to avoid

- Updating passwords more than once every 6 months. It might sound counter-intuitive, but taking this approach can make passwords harder to predict
- Using similar patterns on password choices. Cybercriminals are aware of common choices and may use that against you
- Choosing a short and/or common password, like "Name123" or "password"
- Reusing passwords throughout your accounts
- Using personal information as a password, like your date of birth

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