



Enhancing the Security, Privacy & Safety of Connected Devices

Addressing cyber threats, identity theft and personal safety risks

<input type="checkbox"/>	Inventory all devices within your home and workplace that are connected to the Internet and network. Router reports can help determine what devices are connected to your network. Disable unknown and unused devices.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Contact your Internet Service Provider (ISP) to update routers and modems to the latest security standards. Change your router service set identifier (SSID) to a name which does not identify you, your family or the device.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Check that contact information for all of your devices are up-to-date including an email address regularly used to receive security updates and related notifications.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Confirm devices and their mobile applications are set for automatic updating to help maximize protection. Review their sites for the latest firmware patches and updates.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Review all passwords creating unique passwords and user names for administrative accounts and avoid using the same password for multiple devices. Delete guest codes no longer used. Where possible implement multi-factor authentication to reduce the risk of your accounts being taken over. Such protection helps verify who is trying to access your account—not just someone with your password.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Review the privacy policies and practices of your devices, including data collection and sharing with third parties. Your settings can be inadvertently changed during updates. Reset as appropriate to reflect your preferences.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Review devices' warranty and support policies. If they are no longer supported with patches and updates, disable the device's connectivity or discontinue usage of the device.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Before discarding, returning or selling any device, remove any personal data and reset it to factory settings. Disable the associated online account and delete data.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Review privacy settings on your mobile phone(s) including location tracking, cookies, contact sharing, bluetooth, microphone and other settings. Set all your device and applications to prompt you before turning on and sharing and data.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Back up your files including personal documents and photographs to storage devices that are not permanently connected to the Internet.