

Cyber Essentials Plus

Designed to help organisations of any size demonstrate their commitment to cyber security, while keeping the approach simple and the costs low.

The requirements

Cyber Essentials Plus is an audited assessment, of your systems, and cyber security controls. The 5 controls examined are:

- Access control.
- Firewalls.
- Secure configuration.
- Patch management.
- Malware protection

Certification is only achieved when the essential levels of protection are assessed and passed by an independent IASME Certification Body such as Cognisys.

Why get Cyber Essentials?

Cyber Essentials helps you to guard against the most common cyber threats and demonstrates your commitment to cyber security. It enables your organisation to:

- Reassure customers that you are working to secure your IT against cyber attack
- Attract new business with the promise you have cyber security measures in place
- Ensure you have a clear picture of your organisation's cyber security level
- Bid for government contracts which require Cyber Essentials certification

Why use Cognisys?

Some of the Cyber Essentials self-assessment questions can be difficult to understand if you do not have a technical IT background or you have a complex company structure.

IASME has certified that Cognisys are able to help you understand the assessment questions, how they relate to your company and what steps you need to take in order to achieve certification.

Our experienced team helps you plot a route to success and work with you side by side to make

sure your accreditation process is as simple as possible.

We provide all the expertise, guidance and knowledge to give you the very best chance of achieving the standard and all our consultants are qualified cyber security practitioners.

Following on from your certification

Once you have achieved Cyber Essentials Plus, You'll receive a certificate, which can be used to prove that you have essential Cyber security defences in place. You'll also receive a Cyber Essentials Plus logo, which can be displayed on your website.

Both of these items provide reassurance for your stakeholders and means that you are free to bid for certain local and national government contracts.

Additionally, Cyber Essentials certificates issued in the previous 12 months are displayed on the NCS and IASME website.

Cyber Essentials is an annual process, and it's vital to choose a partner who can make the recertification easier. Cognisys provides a number of tools, like SmartView, that make subsequent years audits, quicker and simpler. In addition we have a dedicated internal support team, that can help improve your application process from start to finish.

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