



# RANSOMWARE READINESS CHECKLIST

Safeguard Your Business Against Ransomware Threats

**Ransomware attacks are becoming more common, causing significant financial and operational disruptions for businesses worldwide, including in South Africa.**

This brochure provides a comprehensive checklist to help you prepare, protect, and recover from ransomware threats.

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### ASSESS YOUR RISK PROFILE

**Understanding your risk landscape is crucial for an effective defence strategy.**

- ☐ Identify critical assets and data
- ☐ Determine potential vulnerabilities and weaknesses
- ☐ Prioritise assets based on their importance

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### STRENGTHEN SECURITY POSTURE

**A strong security posture is the first line of defense against ransomware attacks.**

- ☐ Regularly update and patch software and operating systems
- ☐ Implement strong password policies and multi-factor authentication
- ☐ Train employees on security best practices and threat awareness
- ☐ Restrict user access to necessary data and applications only

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### IMPLEMENT A ROBUST BACKUP STRATEGY

**Regular backups protect your critical data and ensure business continuity.**

- ☐ Schedule comprehensive backups of critical data
- ☐ Securely store backups both on-site and off-site
- ☐ Test backup and restore processes regularly

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## DEPLOY ADVANCED THREAT DETECTION

Early threat detection can mitigate the impact of a ransomware attack.

- ☐ Monitor network traffic with advanced threat detection tools
- ☐ Implement email and web filtering to block malicious content
- ☐ Maintain updated antivirus and anti-malware software

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## DEVELOP AN INCIDENT RESPONSE PLAN

A well-defined incident response plan helps you react quickly and efficiently.

- ☐ Assign roles and responsibilities for ransomware attack response
- ☐ Establish communication protocols for stakeholders
- ☐ Outline steps for isolating affected systems and containing threats
- ☐ Create a plan for data recovery and restoring operations

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## REVIEW AND UPDATE YOUR READINESS PLAN

Regularly reviewing your plan ensures continued protection from evolving threats.

- ☐ Conduct periodic risk assessments for new threats and vulnerabilities
- ☐ Update security policies and procedures to address evolving risks
- ☐ Test your incident response plan and backup processes regularly
- ☐ Continuously train employees on the latest security best practices

**Contact Strategix Technology Solutions to define and implement a robust data protection strategy.**

Protecting your business from ransomware attacks requires a comprehensive data protection strategy.

**Contact Strategix today** to discuss your specific needs and learn how our experts can help you safeguard your critical data and systems.

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