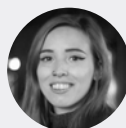


CHECKLIST

# YOUR 10-STEP ROADMAP TO A ROBUST ISMS



Use this handy checklist in conjunction with our [\[10 Step Roadmap to a Robust ISMS Guide\]](#) to measure your progress as you build an effective, continuously improving ISMS and bolster your organisation's information security.



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## 01. Choose Your ISMS Framework

- ISO 27001
- NIST CSF
- Other

## 02. Develop Your Risk Management Plan

- Determine the scope of your ISMS
- Choose risk management methodology
- Identify and assess risks
- Prioritise and rank risks
- Develop risk mitigation and response plans
- Monitor results

## 03. Define Your Information Security Policies and Procedures

- Review existing policies and procedures
- Identify relevant information security requirements
- Develop your policies and procedures
- Communicate policies and procedures internally and train employees
- Regularly review and update your policies and procedures

## 04. Implement Access Control and Authentication Processes

- Develop an access control policy
- Select your authentication tools
- Implement access control systems
- Test and evaluate
- Continuously monitor and improve

## 05. Protect Against Network and Web-Based Threats

- Firewalls
- Anti-virus and anti-malware software
- Software updates
- HTTPS encryption
- Monitor logs

## 06. Ensure Data Backup and Recovery

- Regularly back up data
- Store backups offsite
- Test backup and recovery procedures
- Document backup and recovery procedures
- Choosing a backup solution
- Encrypt backups
- Monitor backup and recovery performance

## 07. Implement Physical Security Measures

- Control access to physical premises
- Securely store sensitive equipment
- Secure your data centres
- Implement environmental controls
- Regularly inspect physical premises
- Conduct employee background checks

## 08. Conduct Employee Security Awareness

- Provide regular security awareness training
- Customise training for different roles
- Use interactive and engaging methods
- Measure the effectiveness of training

## 09. Monitor and Review Your ISMS Training

- Establish a monitoring and review plan
- Conduct regular internal audits
- Review security incidents
- Monitor security trends
- Engage stakeholders

## 10. Monitor and Review Your ISMS Training

- Assess your information security frequently and make updates and improvements to your ISMS as needed

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