

# 5 Tips Towards a Secure, Remote Workforce

Remote working is no longer a last-minute request made by your team members. These days, working from home (WFH) is a way of life. But while the thought of remote working is an exciting prospect for employees, it can be a rather daunting one for business owners who may be overwhelmed with security concerns relating to the new, dispersed workplace. Here are our 5 simple tips towards a more secure remote workforce.

## 01

### ✓ Instil a culture of WFH compliance

→ Putting all the right policies and procedures in place is one thing - getting your employees to adhere to them is another. Along with the benefits of workplace flexibility comes the inherent threats of exposure, so it's vital to make sure that your remote workers understand the importance of following the right steps that have been put in place by your IT, security and compliance teams.

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### ✓ Verify your employees from any location

→ Gain peace of mind that - even when you're not all under the same roof - your company assets are protected. Strong, multi-factor authentication ensures that user identities and devices are verified and meet security requirements before granting access to sensitive data and applications.

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### ✓ Make your remote access seamless

→ The last thing you want is to counteract employee productivity with security policies. The best solutions should be seamless rather than tedious, so as to avoid the risk of team members bypassing them in favour of a faster, frictionless option. Secure VPN access promotes productivity and collaboration, while ensuring the right level of security without compromising user experience.

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### ✓ Take a multi-layer defence against threats

→ Security breaches don't always start and end at the point of detection. There's always the risk that some will slip through the cracks. That's why it's important to take an advanced approach to protection and detection. One that covers your entire environment - not just your endpoints. By combining point-in-time and retrospective detection, you can rely on faster remediation and shorter risk exposure.

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### ✓ Choose solutions that adapt as you do

→ Your security solutions should readjust and scale as your business does. Don't fall into the trap of plugging the existing gap, only to encounter further issues down the line. Instead, choose a supplier who can align your infrastructure with both present and future business requirements. At Forfusion, we specialise in optimising business performance and mitigating the risk that comes with digital transformation.

Get in touch with one of our Cisco Certified Internetwork Expert (CCIE) consultants today to find out how we can protect your remote workforce and empower your employees through Cisco Secure Worker solutions.

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