

2021

CYBER SAFETY AWARENESS CALENDAR



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Public Holidays

New Year's Day	1 Jan	Youth Day	16 Jun
Human Rights Day	21 Mar	National Women's Day	9 Aug
Good Friday	2 Apr	Heritage Day	24 Sep
Family Day	5 Apr	Day of Reconciliation	16 Dec
Freedom Day	27 Apr	Christmas Day	25 Dec
Workers' Day	1 May	Day of Goodwill	26 Dec

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CYBER SAFETY AWARENESS CALENDAR OF THEMES & TIPS

JANUARY: CYBERSPACE IS NOT ALWAYS SAFE. BEWARE WHAT YOU SHARE, AS IT STAYS OUT THERE!

Cybercrime is a crime in which a computer or any other electronic device, is the object of the crime [hacking, phishing, spamming] or is used as a tool to commit an offense [child pornography, hate crimes]. A cyber criminal may use the device to access the personal information needed to commit cybercrime or to disable the device.

FEBRUARY: BEWARE WHAT YOU SHARE!

Think before you post, you can never permanently erase something that you have put on social media. Check all privacy settings. Also, be sure to disable location settings, on your cell phone, camera and social media sites. Be careful of friend requests from strangers. Fake profiles are often created by cyber criminals and sexual predators to get to you and your information.

MARCH: YOUR RIGHT TO PRIVACY

It is up to you to protect your personal information. Make sure that personal information is in line with local and international standards. Maintain data quality. Always ensure your information is complete, accurate and kept up to date. Personal information must be guarded and protected against the risk of loss and damage, as well as unlawful access and use.

APRIL: THINK BEFORE YOU CLICK THE LINK!

Due to the high use of the internet, cyber scams and cyber fraud have disrupted bank accounts, sent viruses, and stolen personal information. Computer crimes are becoming popular and are hard to stop because of the growth rate of technology.

Never enter personal information or credit card information on unsecure websites, never reply to or click on any links that you have not used before, and never respond to an email or advertisement stating that you have won something.

MAY: PROTECTING PEOPLE, SCHOOLS, LEARNERS AND THE COMMUNITY

Encrypt emails and password protect attachments containing classified and confidential information before sending. Do not share personal information with those not permitted to have access. Keep in mind the "need to know" principle. Do not leave confidential information in plain sight and keep a clean desk.

JUNE: COMMUNICATION AND TRUST ARE KEY

Maintain open communication regarding cyber safety with your child. Insist on having insight into who they befriend on social platforms. Also ensure that your child is aware of the danger of agreeing to meet strangers that they have met online. Limit web use to age appropriate websites, turn on safe-surfing options and keep up to date with the latest Internet trends to maximise child safety. Set proper access control measures, such as passwords and user accounts to monitor access on all computers and mobile devices.

JULY: BUSINESS IN JULY

Do not share or place classified and confidential information of your business or school, in the public domain. Do not store business information on personal devices and only make use of authorised company devices. Ensure that you understand the company or school's ICT Policies, SOP's - [Standard Operating Procedures] and Guidelines.

AUGUST: REPORT IT, DON'T IGNORE IT!

Always keep up to date with the latest cyber threats. Cyber criminals are becoming smarter each day. Avoid falling victim to cybercrime, by understanding the various cyber criminal tactics, used by attackers to gain confidential information. Share information with each other and report any harmful sites and activities.

SEPTEMBER: SURF'S UP

Always ensure that sites you are visiting are HTTPS e.g. <https://www.absa.co.za> which require you to supply your username and password, especially when banking or buying online.

Do not access personal banking sites by using untrusted Wi-Fi networks, such as free Wi-Fi's at restaurants or any other public places.

OCTOBER: DECIDE THAT YOUR PERSONAL INFO IS CLASSIFIED!

Passwords should be a combination of upper- and lower-case letters, special characters and numbers. Consider using a passphrase that is easy to remember and hard for someone else to guess, for example GoldILock\$_3bears. Never write your password down or use the same one on multiple sites. Be sure to log out of apps or websites where important passwords are used.

NOVEMBER: BE AWARE OF THE MOUSTACHE

Always request identification from anyone entering your premises. Do not allow tailgating, visitors must always be escorted. Be careful of which corporate and school information you post on social media sites. Any outdated confidential information must be disposed of securely to avoid information disclosure through dumpster diving, a social engineering tactic.

DECEMBER: BY KEEPING A RESPECTFUL DIGITAL FOOTPRINT, CYBERSPACE CAN ALWAYS BE AN EXCITING AND ESSENTIAL PART OF YOUR LIFE!

Only shop on trusted sites which have a good reputation and a secure connection. Never make use of public Wi-Fi when shopping online, as cyber criminals are known to intercept connections in order to obtain information. Remember to utilise strong passwords and to log out of sensitive accounts.

