

## SOCIAL MEDIA STRATEGY GUIDE





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### INTRODUCTION

Social media marketing has matured over the last decade to become an integral part of the marketing mix for both large and small businesses. It can have a significant and measurable impact on your bottom line and – when done well – can be a powerful marketing tool. Whether you are trying to reach a local audience or launching a brand nationwide, social media marketing should be considered as part of your marketing activity.

In this guide we will take you through the steps needed to build a social marketing strategy that is appropriate to your audience and achieves your business goals.



### **SECTION 1**

# WHERE ARE YOU NOW?

The first step in creating a successful and robust social media strategy is to assess your existing social media efforts and that of your competitors.

#### **ASSESSING YOUR SOCIAL PRESENCE**

To assess your presence you must look at the size of your existing audience (if you have one) and how engaged that audience is. Start by asking the following questions:

- Which platforms are you on?
- How many followers do you have?
- ✓ How engaged are your users?
- How active are you?
- What type of content works well?
- ✓ How many leads has this content generated?

### WHICH PLATFORMS ARE YOU ON?

Where do you have a company profile? Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn

### **HOW MANY FOLLOWERS DO YOU HAVE ON EACH?**

Overall, how many people follow your Twitter account, like your Facebook page?

### **HOW ENGAGED ARE YOUR FOLLOWERS?**

Look at your last few posts on each platform and see how many people liked it, commented, retweeted, etc.

