



Cybersecurity Awareness Tips

Ministry of Finance – Staff Reference Sheet

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Stay Alert. Stay Secure.

Cybersecurity is everyone's responsibility. Follow these key tips to protect Ministry data, systems, and your own digital safety:



Best Practices

- **Use Strong Passwords:**
Combine upper/lowercase letters, numbers, and symbols. Avoid using your name or birthdate.
 - **Change Passwords Regularly:**
Update passwords every 90 days or immediately after a suspected compromise.
 - **Enable Two-Factor Authentication (2FA):**
Where available, always enable 2FA for added account protection.
 - **Lock Your Devices:**
Use screen locks and always log off or lock your screen when stepping away.
 - **Be Email Smart:**
Verify sender addresses. Hover over links before clicking. Never open unexpected attachments.
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Avoid These Mistakes

- **Don't Share Passwords:**
No one—not even IT—should ask for your password.
 - **Avoid Public Wi-Fi for Work:**
Use only secure and trusted networks for ministry-related work.
 - **Don't Download from Unknown Sources:**
All downloads must be from approved or official websites.
 - **No Personal Devices on Ministry Network:**
Avoid connecting personal USBs, laptops, or phones unless cleared by IT.
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Spot and Report Threats

- **Phishing Emails:** Look for urgent language, strange requests, or unfamiliar links.
 - **Malware or Virus Signs:** Sluggish system performance, pop-ups, or unauthorized changes.
 - **Suspicious Activity:** Report any strange login alerts, files, or software behavior.
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If in Doubt – Report Immediately

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