# Discussion: Information Exposure Countermeasures

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**Learning Objectives and Outcomes**

* Identify countermeasures to minimize company information exposure on social networking sites.

**Assignment Requirements**

Assume your company allows its employees to post work-related information to social networking sites, such as Facebook and Twitter. The company also has a social media presence on various social networking sites as well. You are an IT security professional in the company.

Answer the following question(s):

1. What are two steps or countermeasures you would recommend to minimize the level of information exposure? Provide rationale for your answer.

First, I would ensure that the company has a set of policies in place for what can and cannot be included about the company in any personal social media posts. Things like sensitive technical information(e.g. screenshots of internal dashboards or internal environments) would be off the table. In concert with these policies I would have legally binding terms written into an employees contract that outline the possible repercussions for breaking these policies and I would implement a procedure for vetting any information an employee might want to share that could be considered a gray area.

When considering the official channels for company social media, I would want to implement a quarterly security training regimen that could act as an aid to those in the company manning these channels. This training regimen would cover how to identify common social engineering techniques, how to identify and avoid falling victim to the various types of phishing attacks that might take place over social media channels, and also establish a procedure for escalation in the case that an employee managing social media encounters someone they believe to be a threat actor.

Fully address the question(s) in this discussion; provide valid rationale for your choices, where applicable; and respond to at least **two**other students’ views.

**Required Resources**

* Course textbook
* Internet access

**Self-Assessment Checklist**

* I fully addressed the question(s) in the discussion instructions.
* I included justification or rationale for my choices, where applicable.
* I responded to at least two other students’ views.
* I followed the submission guidelines.

Please follow the outlined guidelines of this discussion:

* *Be respectful and open to opinions and ideas that differ from yours. The exchange of diverse thoughts, ideas, and opinions are an essential part of the scholarly environment. Keep in mind that the people in your classes may come from backgrounds and have views that may vary significantly from your own.*
* *Flaming is not appropriate under any circumstances. While everyone (learners and instructors alike) is encouraged to share ideas and opinions openly, you should never use insults or resort to name-calling even if you disagree strongly with what someone else has written. Insulting remarks and name-calling are never appropriate in an academic setting. Flaming is the posting of messages that are deliberately hostile and insulting in an online social context.*
* *When responding to messages or posts made by others, address the ideas, not the person.*
* *Be careful when using sarcasm and humor. Without social cues, such as facial expressions and body language, a remark meant as humorous could come across hurtful or offensive. Don't assume that the use of emoticons, such as :-) are enough to convey your tone or intent.*
* *Capitalizing whole words is generally seen as SHOUTING and is often offensive to the reader. Use all capital letters sparingly, such as to highlight a meaningful word or point.*