



Stealth Family DIY Home Cyber Threat Assessment

10 Easy Steps to Start the Journey of Keeping Your Family Safe from Cyber Criminals

✓ 1. Secure Your Wi-Fi Network

- Change your router's default admin username and password.
- Use WPA3 encryption (or WPA2 if WPA3 isn't available).
- Rename your Wi-Fi network (SSID) so it doesn't reveal personal info (like your last name or address).

2. Use Strong, Unique Passwords for Every Account

- Avoid reusing the same password across accounts.
- Use a password manager to generate and store complex passwords.
- Update old or weak passwords immediately.

3. Turn On Two-Factor Authentication (2FA)

- Enable 2FA for email, banking, social media, and cloud services.
- Use an authenticator app (like Google Authenticator or Authy) instead of SMS when possible.

✓ 4. Update Devices Regularly

- Enable automatic updates on all computers, phones, tablets, smart TVs, and IoT devices.
- Outdated software = open doors for hackers.

5. Install Antivirus and Anti-Malware Protection

- Use trusted antivirus software on all devices (even phones).
- Run regular scans to catch hidden threats.

6. Educate the Family on Phishing and Scams

- Teach everyone to avoid clicking on suspicious links or attachments.
- Double-check URLs, email senders, and odd messages—even from "known" contacts.

✓ 7. Check Smart Devices and Cameras

- Change default usernames and passwords on smart home devices.
- Disable remote viewing on smart cameras if not needed.
- Keep smart devices on a separate guest Wi-Fi network.

8. Monitor Financial Accounts Regularly

- Set up alerts for transactions and logins.
- Use a credit monitoring service if possible.
- Review your bank and credit card statements monthly.

9. Back Up Important Data

- Set up automatic backups to an external hard drive or secure cloud service.
- Make sure backups include photos, documents, and important records.

☑ 10. Review Privacy Settings on Social Media

- Limit who can see posts, photos, and personal info.
- Avoid sharing your location, birthday, and travel plans publicly.
- Encourage kids to keep their accounts private and friends list clean.

For a more comprehensive step by step home cybersecurity assessment please email Kevin Donahue at <u>kevin@stealthfamily.com</u> or visit us at <u>www.stealthfamily.com</u>.