10 Rules for Security

By following some simple steps, you can help to keep your computer at work and your computer at home safe and secure. This month, our CISOs share 10 rules for security.

1. Do NOT treat your work computer like your home computer.

2. Do NOT leave your PC/Mac unlocked and on while you are away from your desk. Remember “Control, Alt, Delete Before You Leave Your Seat” (U.S. Transportation Security Administration).

3. Do NOT use social networking sites like Facebook without proper privacy settings.

4. Do NOT download shareware or freeware from suspicious websites.

5. Do NOT allow your browser to remember passwords to secure sites like online banking or PayPal.

6. Do NOT open email attachments from unexpected sources.

7. Do NOT visit questionable websites at work or home.

8. Do NOT click on web pop-ups claiming to be antivirus protection.

9. Do NOT ignore regular back-ups of your PC/Mac.

10. Do NOT use insecure Remote Desktop connections.

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