

This proposed addition is related to the new 2023-2030 Australian Cyber Security Strategy, w.r.t to strategy Shield 1 paragraph 2.

Help Australians defend themselves from cyber threats.

The problem we face

Technical IT security controls are vital to information security but must be sufficient to secure all our information assets. Adequate information security requires all workers' awareness and proactive support, supplementing and entirely using the technical security controls.

A comprehensive Information security awareness Program ensures that all workers understand information security, such as general obligations under Information security policy, standards, procedures, guidelines, regulations, contractual terms, and generally held standards of ethics and acceptable behavior.

How the Government will take action

1. Extend the reach and accessibility of cyber awareness programs

Australian government and Organizations need to develop a complete cyber security program that focuses on the need for an information security awareness program and proposes the techniques and methodologies that can be used to implement it with organizations executive management sponsorship along with the involvement of Australian government aid.

Governments and organizations need to motivate and sponsor employees for cyber security training and professional development skills certifications in cyber security.

The Australian government, on an individual level, needs to implement cyber security awareness programs from different channels, i.e.

- Periodic Awareness Emails
- Periodic Awareness SMS.
- Information Security days or similar events
- Information Security Awareness videos
- Online Surveys/Questionnaires/Quizzes