

**Backup & Disaster Recovery Checklist** 

Stay one step ahead of potential disasters



Identify all potential risks

Include hardware failures, theft, damage, natural disasters and any other contingency that would impact business operations.

Define goals for contingency plan

Do you want to maintain full operations or partial? Different adverse events might have different answers.

Identify mitigation strategies to reduce impact loss

A secure backup environment with integrated recovery are essential – surge protectors and backup generators are also important to reducing impact and loss.

Create procedures for power outages or limited office access

Look to bring systems back online remotely through cloud services and remote locations.

Appoint a disaster recovery team

The team should be responsible for planning, testing and managing implementation.

Procure services, equipment and resources needed for continuity

This may include Disaster Recovery as a Service (DRaaS), virtual networks, VOIP, surge protectors, etc.

Train personnel

Ensure that all parties who are impacted during an adverse event know their role and the correct procedures to follow.

Implement backup systems and recovery procedures

Ensure a full backup is made daily (at night is best) and consider creating copies more frequently.

Conduct testing exercises - disaster recovery

Testing should happen quarterly and as close to "real-world" as possible without disrupting operations.

Is your company prepared for a disaster?

We can help!

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