

Ultimate Web Security Guide for Small Businesses

If you need assistance getting the recommended security solutions, please contact our CARE team at (480) 463-8327. We are here to help you get secure, stay secure and look secure on the web.

Running a Small Business is a Big Deal

Which of these scenarios applies to you?

I just snatched a cool domain name!

Great, now protect your domain name so that it doesn't fall into the wrong hands - advertisers can be annoying, but hackers do worse. [Learn about Domain Privacy Protection.](#)

I'm going to build my site now.

[WordPress](#), [cPanel](#), [Drupal](#) and [Joomla](#), oh my! Now's the time to choose your content management system. So many choices, so many decisions. Did you know you can [build a secure site in under an hour](#)?

I just published my website.

Congrats! [Add an SSL certificate](#) so it doesn't get flagged by Google's Not Secure warning, the purpose of which is to dissuade visitors from reaching your site. Not sure if you have an SSL? [Check your site's status here](#) with our free SSL scanner.

My website has been up and running for a few months.

Sweet. Time to think about proactive measures to keep it clean and safe. Consider using automatic security monitoring, like daily scanning, to 'set-it-and-forget-it' so you're secure around the clock. If something suspicious happens, [Website Security](#) will alert you to take action.

I installed plugins, added shopping cart to my site.

Sounds like your website is growing, fabulous! Plugins are great, but they also introduce vulnerabilities such as opening a backdoor that hackers can get in. A simple solution is [installing a Web Application Firewall](#). The firewall not only prevents hackers from entering your site, it also blocks all bad traffic that could take down your site.

I noticed my traffic is down, what's going on?

A sudden change in traffic is one of the early signs of hacker activity. You need to scan your site for malware immediately! If your site has malware, request a cleanup with our [Express malware removal service](#). A team of security analysts responds in 30 minutes or less. They work fast to diagnose and fix your site. We guarantee to clean your site 100%.



I'm adding and updating content all the time.

When you actively update your site, it is critical to back up your work each and every day. [Automatic backup is the easiest way to protect your work](#) – simply set it and forget it. When you need to reverse a change, look for a missing file, replace a damaged file or replace an entire database, the one-click restore gets you back on track fast.

I occasionally update my website.

A [good back-up routine](#) not only provides a safety net to recover working files, it also mitigates security risks. Ransom attacks are on the rise. Ransomware is a hacking device used to steal or withhold data until you pay to retrieve it. Having all of your files and databases safely stored can prevent this type of extortion.

I set up my business email.

Cool. Now you look professional with your business name in your email address. Need more features to stay secure? We've got you covered. Our Business Premium plan gives you [HIPAA](#)-compliant email to help protect your patients and your practice. [Encryption](#) can help protect your client's confidential information, securing their email is only read by intended recipients. [Archiving](#) helps you stay compliant, and retrieve attachments and even deleted emails from a secure database when you need them.