

Cyber Basics Toolkit

What Is Cybersecurity in Transit?

- Cybersecurity means protecting the systems that keep your agency running—from dispatch and AVL to fare collection and radios.
- A breach doesn't have to be sophisticated to cause damage—accidental deletions, phishing emails, or lost credentials can disrupt operations.
- Think of cybersecurity like vehicle maintenance: it's better to prevent problems than deal with a breakdown.

First Steps You Can Take This Week

- List your most critical systems. What services would immediately stop if they went offline?
- Make sure you know who supports each of these systems—internal or vendor—and how to contact them quickly.
- Back up your important data. Even a simple USB backup or cloud folder can help in an emergency.
- Ensure that at least one other person knows how to access this info if you're unavailable.

Common Cyber Threats to Be Aware Of

- Phishing: Emails that try to trick you into clicking bad links or giving up passwords.
- Ransomware: Malicious software that locks your files and demands payment to unlock them.
- Unpatched Software: Systems that haven't been updated are more vulnerable to attacks.

Build Awareness Across Your Team

- Talk about cybersecurity at staff meetings—no jargon needed.
- Print a short "What To Do If" guide and post it near dispatch or workstations.
- Encourage your team to report anything weird—strange pop-ups, locked files, or suspicious emails.

Resources to Help You Start

- Quick-Start Cyber Checklist
- Top 5 Mistakes Small Transit Agencies Make
- Free Peer Agency Network: Learn from others like you
- Contact us at info@cybrbase.com if you need help getting started