

# Information Security is Everybody's Business

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## Common Misconceptions

- "I have installed anti-virus software in my PC. I can be free from virus attack!"
- "NOT ENOUGH! You need to update the virus signature and scan your PC regularly in order to make your anti-virus protection effective."
- "I use my Birthday as my Internet account password. It's easier to remember."
- "BE CAREFUL! It will also be easily guessed by hackers who use your account but you pay the bill."
- "I found an interesting site with a lot of games and pictures. Let me download them and share with my friends."
- "STOP! Are you sure the site is trustworthy? Software from doubtful origins may contain virus or hacker programs. Sending these software to others may make them vulnerable to virus or hacker attack. Therefore, do not visit or download files from suspicious web sites."
- "My PC has no valuable data. Why bother to protect it."
- "WRONG! Hacker can easily use your PC as a stepping stone to launch further attack to other connected networks. If your PC is linked up with your office network, you may expose your office networks and computer systems to serious security risk."
- "My office already has a firewall. I am safe to surf anywhere."
- "NOT TRUE! Firewall can only guard against some of the security attacks. If your PC has no other protection or has security loopholes, virus and hacker may still sneak into it."



## DOs and DON'Ts

### DOs

- Do install anti-virus software and scan PC regularly using latest virus signature.
- Do scan all e-mail attachments, downloaded files, floppy disks and compact disks before use.
- Do keep PC operating system and software up-to-date with the latest security updates and patches.
- Do perform on-line transaction only at reliable web sites and with security protection (SSL/SET).
- Do choose passwords that are difficult to guess and change passwords regularly.
- Do enable screen saver & power-on password.
- Do disconnect from Internet when not in use.

### DON'Ts

- Don't visit suspicious web sites.
- Don't download file from doubtful sources.
- Don't open or forward e-mails and e-mail attachments from unknown sources.
- Don't enable automatic processing of e-mail attachments.
- Don't disclose / submit personal information unnecessarily.
- Don't use system default passwords.
- Don't save login passwords into PC.
- Don't disclose / share Internet account and password to others.

Please visit the INFOSEC web site for more information:

<http://www.infosec.gov.hk>

Other useful contacts



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