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Secure Remote Work: VPNs, Home Wi-Fi, and Work Laptops

A home network isn't managed the way an office network is, and a work laptop is often shared space with family. This guide covers what actually keeps a remote or hybrid team secure: a locked-down home network, a VPN or other secure connection to company resources, and a work laptop kept separate from personal use.

Why these three matter

Your home network isn't managed the way your office network is.

No office firewall watching
A home router is usually set up once and never checked again.

One device, two worlds
The same laptop that opens company files might also be shared with family.

A VPN closes the gap
It encrypts the trip between a home connection and company resources.

Securing a remote or hybrid work setup

REMOTE WORK

Is your connection actually secure?

Here's what protects a remote team: the home network, the VPN, and the work laptop.

WHAT TO DO
We're Naples Computers, and we've set this up for teams since 1993.



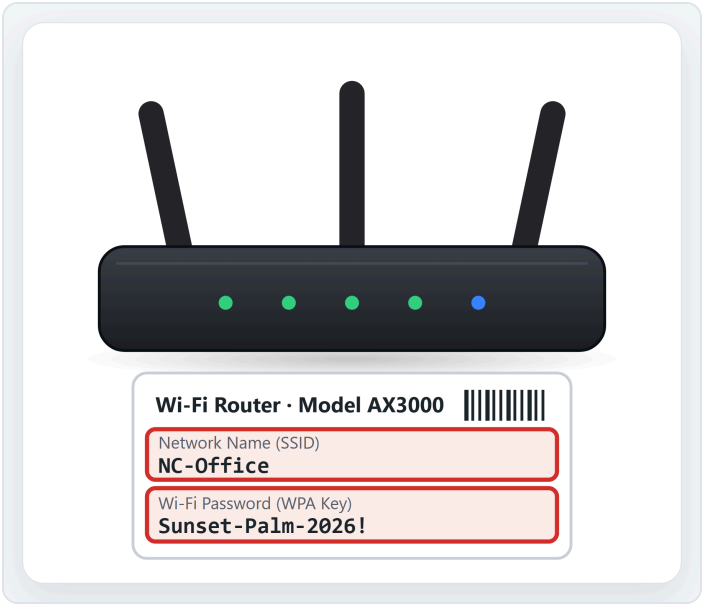
HOME NETWORK

1 Start with the home network

Change the router's default admin password, and keep its firmware updated.

WHAT TO DO

We covered the full checklist in our Secure Your Home Router guide, linked below.



VPN

2 What a VPN actually does

It wraps the connection between your laptop and company resources in encryption, so it can't be read in between.

WHAT TO DO

Use the VPN your IT provider set up, not a random free app. Connect before opening work files.



WORK LAPTOPS

3 Keep the work laptop just for work

Separate accounts for family members, automatic screen lock, and full-disk encryption turned on.

WHAT TO DO

If it's lost or stolen, encryption is what keeps company data from walking out the door with it.



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★ Setting up secure remote work for your team?

We'll set up VPN access, lock down company laptops, and check each employee's home network basics.

WHAT TO DO

Call 239-513-1960 to get your remote team set up the right way.



A few simple habits

- [ ] Skip public Wi-Fi for work tasks
  A coffee shop network is never private; wait or use the VPN
- [ ] Keep everything updated
  The OS, the browser, and the VPN client itself
- [ ] Use MFA for every work login
  A stolen password alone shouldn't be enough to get in

Recap: secure remote work

- [ ] Start with the home network, change the router's default admin password
- [ ] Use the VPN your IT provider set up, every time
- [ ] Keep the work laptop just for work, with encryption on
- [ ] Skip public Wi-Fi, keep things updated, and use MFA everywhere
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Use the VPN your IT provider set up, not a random free app, and connect before opening any work file. A VPN only protects what travels while it's turned on.

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