

# Power Up your M365 Protection

Essential security for every Microsoft 365 tenant

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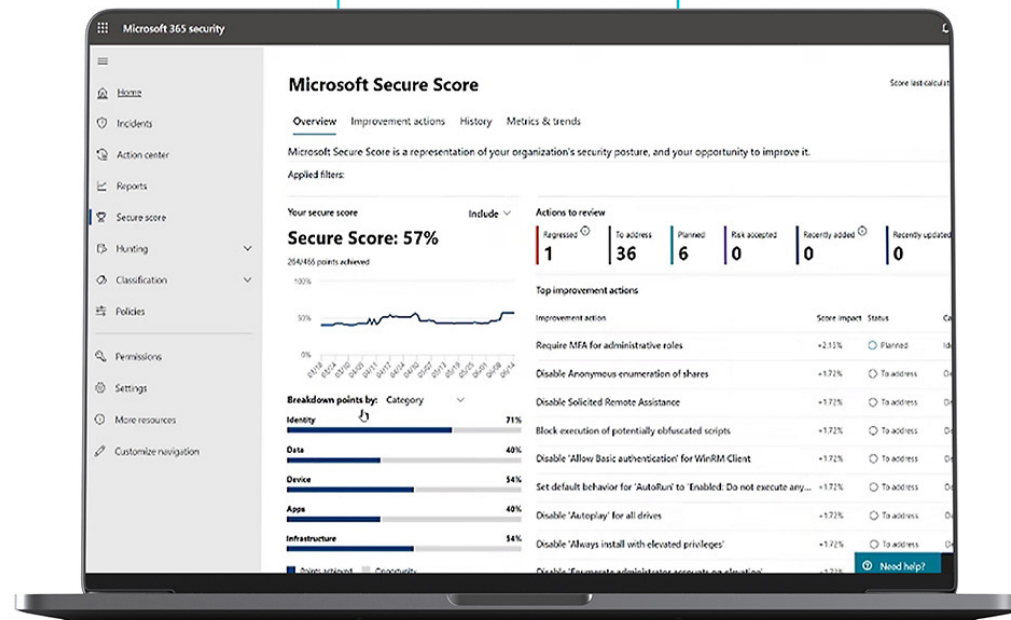
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Optimise security



Automate baseline  
deployments



Detailed reports



Maintain best practice

## The growing Microsoft 365 challenge

**Microsoft 365** is the backbone of most businesses, relied on every day for email, collaboration, and file storage. Its scale and ubiquity also make it one of the most targeted platforms in the world. Even small changes to settings can create vulnerabilities that cybercriminals are quick to exploit.

- ✓ **Misconfigurations are common** – settings drift through human error, system updates, or troubleshooting changes. Even switching off Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) can leave your business exposed.
- ✓ **Insurers expect proof** – cyber insurers increasingly demand continuous evidence of enforced security controls. Without it, premiums rise or claims may be challenged.
- ✓ **Compliance frameworks demand more** – Cyber Essentials Plus, ISO 27001, and NIS2 require ongoing monitoring and reporting, not just one-off reviews.
- ✓ **Manual checks can't keep up** – Microsoft's frequent updates can alter security defaults. Without automation, IT teams struggle to monitor every setting, creating exploitable gaps.

**M365 Protect addresses these challenges by applying continuous monitoring, automated enforcement, and real-time alerts across your Microsoft 365 environment.**



## Why it matters now

80%

of Microsoft 365 breaches come from misconfigurations or compromised accounts

60%

of UK SMEs close within six months of a major cyber incident

Automated enforcement reduces configuration-drift incidents by up to

50%

Businesses with continuous monitoring achieve

30%

higher Cyber Essentials Plus pass rates

57%

of successful cyberattacks involve unpatched or non-compliant devices

Without automated alerts, it takes an average of

181

days to detect a breach

## M365 Protect: now included as standard

Every Focus Group Microsoft 365 customer receives M365 Protect as part of their service.

### Baseline features:

- ✓ **Always-on enforcement** – prevents configuration drift and keeps Microsoft 365 aligned with best practice **so your business stays protected without daily checks**
- ✓ **Daily backups & instant rollback** – restore secure settings in minutes **to minimise downtime and disruption**
- ✓ **Real-time change alerts** – immediate visibility if critical settings such as MFA or conditional access are altered **so you can act before issues escalate**
- ✓ **Device compliance checks** – highlight unpatched or non-compliant devices **to reduce endpoint risk**
- ✓ **Change tracking history** – a full audit trail **to support investigations and compliance**
- ✓ **Audit-ready reports** – evidence prepared automatically **to simplify audits and insurer requirements**
- ✓ **Fully managed service** – handled by Focus Group's UK security team **so there's no extra workload for your staff**

M365 Protect provides every Focus Group Microsoft 365 customer with a foundation of security, resilience, and compliance. It delivers essential outcomes: **stronger protection, faster recovery, easier compliance, and less operational burden.**



## Focus on what comes next

- ✓ 1. **Assessment:** your tenant is benchmarked in read-only mode
- ✓ 2. **Report:** you receive a clear summary of posture and gaps
- ✓ 3. **Plan:** any impactful changes are agreed and scheduled
- ✓ 4. **Protection:** continuous monitoring, enforcement, and reporting are applied and maintained



## Your choices with M365 Protect

### Upgrade your protection

- ✓ **Enhanced**  
Extended retention, quarterly reports, proactive improvements, and alignment with stricter frameworks such as ISO 27001 and SOC2.
- ✓ **Gold-Standard**  
Full Modern Workplace overhaul with monthly exec reporting, device quarantine, and continuous optimisation .

### Switch off your protection

M365 Protect is included as standard because it reflects recognised best practice and supports insurer and compliance requirements. You may choose to remove it, but doing so means your business will lose continuous enforcement, daily backups, real-time alerts, and compliance reporting. This increases risk and may affect audit or insurance obligations.

**M365 Protect is built-in to help every business stay secure, compliant, and resilient with the flexibility to scale up if you need more.**





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