



## CyberSafe at USPS® Teleworking Tips

**Home security.** Have secured routers, strong Wi-Fi passwords, firewalls, and use your own Wi-Fi, not the neighbors.

There's a saying — never let a good crisis go to waste — and to be sure, hackers look favorably on events like COVID-19 to take advantage of people and organizations. And now that many people are working from home, malicious actors are looking for the weakest home network to sneak into.

Be sure that you have the right home infrastructure in place to protect your devices from being hacked while you are teleworking.

- Make sure the factory-preset password on your router has been set to a personalized passphrase.
- Ensure firmware updates are installed to patch any security vulnerabilities.
- Set your router's encryption to WPA2 or WPA3 security WEP is not sufficient.
- Only use your passphrase-protected wireless internet connection; never your neighbor's or other public wireless connection.
- Secure your home network by using a firewall program and creating a strong passphrase.
- Use two-factor authentication whenever possible.
- Turn off personal assistant devices.

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