

Why should I read CPNI's guide to *Personnel Security Risk Assessment*?

Personnel security measures help to reduce the risk of an insider attack but can be labour-intensive, costly or delay business. CPNI's guide to *Personnel Security Risk Assessment* explains how to assess and prioritize risks so that **security measures are implemented cost-effectively, in proportion to the level of risk.**

CPNI's guide to *Personnel Security Risk Assessment* explains:-

- the purpose of risk assessment,
- who should be involved in conducting the risk assessment,
- how risk assessment fits within the risk management cycle,
- how risk is calculated by examining the likelihood and impact of threats,
- the methodology used by CPNI, which
 - (uniquely) focuses on insider risk
 - is simple, robust, flexible and transparent.

Detailed, step-by-step guidance takes you through:-

- risk assessment at organization level:
 - identifying the potential threats,
 - assessing likelihood,
 - assessing impact,
 - prioritizing risks.
- risk assessment at group level:
 - identifying which groups of staff the risk assessment should focus on,
 - identifying appropriate counter-measures,
 - assigning responsibility for counter-measures.
- risk assessment at role level (optional):
 - why, when and how to carry out a role-specific assessment.
- next steps:
 - implementation of counter-measures,
 - evaluation of counter-measures.

Annexes provide:-

- blank personnel security risk assessment tables and example completed risk assessment table,
- diagrams for use in personnel security risk assessments,
- advice on who should be involved and where to find threat advice.

The guidance can be downloaded from the CPNI website under Personnel Security.