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Quick Reference Guide, 2015

A. Scorecard

Answer Yes or No to the following questions. When complete, follow directions at bottom to get your raw score and rating. Then review checklist and complete action plan.			
Topic			Score
CREDIT REPORTS:	I know the difference between putting my credit files on monitor, alert, or freeze AND I've had my minor children's names searched at the credit bureaus.		15 pts
SOCIAL MEDIA:	I have reviewed my "privacy settings" that control who sees and reads what I do on Facebook and other social media sites.		5 pts
COMPUTER/ LAPTOP:	My personal computers have the most updated operating systems, browsers, virus/malware/firewall software, and upto-date versions of Java, Flash, and Adobe.		10 pts
BUSINESS ID THEFT:	My employer trains its staff on business or personal cybersecurity measures.		5 pts
WI-FI:	I know how to determine if FREE public Wi-FI is safe to use.		10 pts
DEVICES:	My smartphone and/or tablet has a security passcode.		5 pts
PASSWORDS: I have enabled two-factor authentication on my key accounts that allow it.			15 pts
SKIMMING: When using an ATM card, or self-paying for things such as gas, tickets, parking, I know what to look for to ensure that my transaction is safe from being fraudulently recorded.		5 pts	
DATA BREACH:	I have text and email alerts set up on my credit cards and bank accounts to receive a notification each time there is a transaction.		15 pts
PHISHING: I know the tactics used by phishers to try to trick me into clicking on links or sharing personal information.			15 pts
Circle points for each question answered with a Yes. Add points to get score. Raw Consult section B to get your cybsersecurity rating.			

B. Rating		
>100-85	GOOD	
84-60	OKAY	
59-0 DANGER		
Consult the Checklist in section C to identify key items to include in your Action Plan in section D.		

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C.	. Checklist			
~	Action	Time	Points	
Pr	inciple #1: Devices			
	Create a passcode for smartphone and tablet.	2 min	4 pts	
	Install "Locate My Device" or "Find My Phone" app in case device is lost or stolen.	1 min	1 pt	
Pr	inciple #2: Software			
	Update all software on your home laptop/computer.	5 min	10 pts	
Pr	Principle #3: Wi-Fi			
	Secure home Wi-Fi network by changing default password and name.	20 min	10 pts	
Pr	inciple #4: Passwords			
	Change weak passwords to strong and secure passwords.	5 min	2 pts	
	Passwords don't include names, birthdates, pets' names, etc.	Always	1 pt	
	Passwords include nonconsecutive numbers and symbols.	Always	1 pt	
	Keep passwords unique and change every six months.	Always	1 pt	
	Use a mnemonic device to create password.	5 min	3 pts	
	Enable two-factor authentication on accounts that allow it.	Always	5 pts	
Pr	inciple #5: Transactions			
	☐ Sign up for text/email alerts for debit/credit cards. 2 min 10			
Pr	Principle #6: Credit			
	Sign up for credit freeze.	20 min	15 pts	
Pr	inciple #7: E.M.A.I.L.			
	Examine messages and inspect links before clicking.	Always	15 pts	
Additional Cybersecurity Actions				
Do	ocument Safe			
	Put personal documents in a safe place.	2 min	1 pt	
	Shred documents with personal information with a cross-cut shredder before throwing them out.	1 min	2 pts	
	Give out Social Security number only when necessary. Question why.	Always	2 pts	
Sc	cial Media Safe			
	Strengthen Facebook and other social media privacy settings.	5 min	2 pts	

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CI	Checklist (cont.)			
Credit Safe				
	Request and review copy of credit report.	30 min	5 pts	
	Request search on child's Social Security number at all three credit bureaus.	1 hour	5 pts	
Wallet Safe				
	Remove blank checks from wallet.	1 min	1 pt	
	Remove Social Security card from wallet.	1 min	1 pt	
	Remove written PINs or passwords from wallet.	1 min	1 pt	
Bank Safe				
	Check bank and credit statements regularly.	5 min	2 pts	
	Switch to online banking.	5 min	1 pt	
Medical Safe				
	Review all health insurance statements for false claims.	Always	5 pts	
Business Safe				
	Put 2-factor authentication on bank wire transfers.	Always	5 pts	
	Check security on company/ corporate registrations at state level.	10 min	2 pts	
	Limit dollar amount of unauthorized wire transfers.	10 min	2 pts	
	Implement ID Theft training for employees.	Always	2 pts	
	Register all domain variations of your website.	20 min	1 pt	
ATM Safe				
	Use only bank ATMs.	Always	3 pts	
	Inspect ATM for skimming device at door entry and before using machine.	1 min	3 pts	

D. Action Plan		
I commit to taking the following steps to boost my cybersecurity by this date://		
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Signature:		

Password Letter to Symbol Conversion Chart			
Change this	To this	Example phrases made into passwords	
At	@	Run everyday	Run3v3ryd@y
For	4	Eat more fruit	3@t>fru1t
To, Too, Two	2	Sleep at 11	\$133p@11pm
S	\$	Bring own lunch	Br!ng0wnlunch!
1	1 or !	No more soda	N0m0r3s0d@
E	3	Save for house	\$@v34h0u\$3
Α	4 or @	Get outside	G3t@0ut\$!d3
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Resources		
United States	Canada	
Credit Reporting Agencies: Experian: 800-525-6285 Equifax: 800-846-5279 TransUnion: 877-322-8228	Credit Reporting Agencies Equifax Canada: 866-828-5961 TransUnion Canada: 800-663-9980 Quebec Residents: 877-713-3393	
FTC: 877-438-4338	Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre: 1-888-495-8501	

Computer Hack Response Guide

- 1. Run an anti-virus scan of your computer.
- 2. Change password of affected account and any account with the same password. It is a good idea to change all passwords at this time.
- 3. Update all software on your computer/laptop/device.
- 4. Contact your credit card company/bank. Alert them of the fraud and ask to close affected accounts and open new ones with new cards.
- Contact one of the big three credit reporting bureaus and place a fraud alert on your credit. This will make it harder for a thief to obtain new credit in your name. You only need to alert one bureau; they will alert the other two. Consider placing a credit freeze.
- 6. Order a copy of your credit report from the three credit reporting bureaus. Review your credit report and dispute fraudulent activity.
- 7. File a police report.
- 8. Submit an Identity Theft Report to the FTC. Visit their website for instructions.
- 9. Close any other accounts that you believe may be affected.
- 10. Continue to monitor all financial accounts for any fraudulent charges.

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