

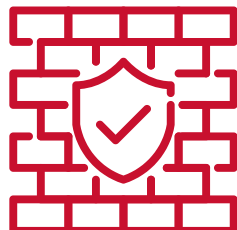


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Verify

Just like Andy says, “If you’re not trusted, you’re busted.” Only allow traffic from known, trusted sources. Always verify users, devices, and software before granting access to your network.



Strong Firewalls

Andy “checks every packet, each signal and frame.” Ensure your firewall is properly configured to block unauthorized access while allowing legitimate communication. Regularly update firewall rules to adapt to new threats.



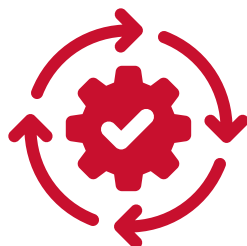
Beware of Disguises

“Andy sees threats that wear a disguise.” Cyber attackers often use phishing, spoofed IPs, or malicious attachments to trick users. Recognize suspicious emails and scan everything that tries to cross your network frontier.



Monitor

In the “silence of midnight,” Andy “scans the pulses, the logs, and the dreams.” Monitor your firewall logs and set alerts for unusual activity. This helps you detect and respond to threats before damage occurs.



Update

“He don’t blink, don’t sleep, don’t take a break.” Cybersecurity is a 24/7 job. Regularly update your firewall, antivirus software, and operating systems to defend against the latest vulnerabilities and exploits.

Resources:

- cisa.gov/topics/cybersecurity-best-practices
- cyberhouserock.info
- cisa.gov/news-events/news/understanding-firewalls-home-and-small-office-use

