

# Cyber Essentials

“75% of organisations that certified felt that Cyber Essentials was accessible enough to meet their needs”

Cyber Essentials is a UK government-backed scheme which focuses on securing your business and addressing the most common and serious cyber threats facing organisations today. As a certification, its a fantastic entry point into cyber security and by ensuring your defences meet the standard, you'll be able to display the Cyber Essentials badge on your website and email signatures.

### How can Ultima help?

Our experts will guide you through the certification process from start to finish, maximising your business objectives and improving your overall security footing. By addressing the 5 key areas of Cyber Essentials (namely [Firewalls](#), [Secure Configuration](#), [User Access Control](#), [Malware Protection](#) and [Patch Management](#)), your business will be left more secure and more resilient.



### Why certify?

Cyber Essentials has many benefits to your business.

- Reassure clients you’re working to secure against cyber attacks
- Get a clearer picture of your organisation's cyber security level
- Understand what technical controls you need to put in place
- Protect your business from data theft
- Defend your business against 80% of common cyber attacks
- Continue to work with government departments that require certification

Option	A	B	C
Enhanced CE Plus Assessment Pre-Assessment	✓		
Consultancy support and remediation guidance	✓		✓
Customer led VSA application		✓	✓
Cyber Essentials VSA Certification		✓	✓
CE Plus Assessment			✓
Cyber Essentials Plus Certification			✓

### Option A - Pre-Assessment

Determine your readiness for the Cyber Essentials VSA or Plus assessment. Our trained assessors will review your existing security controls against the Cyber Essentials standard, recommending where changes are needed. The scope our this work extends beyond CE Plus to include your entire estate, ensuring that all non-conformities are identified ahead of a CE assessment.

### Option B - Verified Self-Assessment

Delivered as a questionnaire, it covers key security areas and includes details of who is responsible, alongside what process and controls are in place to meet the schemes requirements. On completion, the assessment is marked by one of our trained assessors and any issues are itemised and flagged for review.

### Option C - Guided Assessment

An in-depth security assessment which comprises tests across end user devices, servers and cloud services. An authenticated vulnerability scan of the network and boundary is performed, alongside tests of anti-malware protection, account separation and other controls. We’ll guide you through the process from start to finish, ensuring that each of the five key controls are scrutinised.

## Why Ultima?

If you're worried about internal or perimeter security, or just want to check that everything's running okay, you've come to the right place. We've been in the security business for over 25 years and have pretty much seen it all. With certifications in Microsoft, Cisco, Check Point, Palo Alto and Fortinet, we can get to the crux of any issue, fast.

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