

NEW WORLD OF

CYBER INSURANCE

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Misconceptions About Cyber Insurance

- Nothing is covered ("claims get rejected 95% of the time")
- I'm not in a high-risk industry (e.g. healthcare, financial services, retail, education or municipalities)
- My company is too small for the criminals to target
- I do not take credit cards -or- we pay a 3rd party to process our credit card transactions
- I know our controls are inadequate, so nobody will cover us anyhow

What is "Cyber Insurance?"

Part One: 1st Party Insuring Agreements

1st Party Insuring Agreements

- Cyber Extortion
 - Reimbursement for payment of ransom and related extortion forensics costs as a direct result of a credible extortion threat
- Breach Response and Crisis Management
 - Covers costs incurred to respond to a data breach (forensics, notification, monitoring)
- Business Interruption
 - Reimbursement for lost net income and associated extra expenses resulting from the total or partial interruption of a company's computer system via a:
 - cyber attack/security breach or
 - system failure (unexpected outage)
- Dependent Business Interruption
 - The same as Business Interruption, but for net income lost due to a cyber attack/security breach or a system failure of a vendor (dependent business)
- Data Restoration
 - Reimbursement for costs associated with restoring or recreating non-physical assets, such as data that are corrupted or otherwise destroyed via a cyber attack

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Part Two: 3rd Party Insuring Agreements

3rd Party Insuring Agreements

- Security and Network Privacy Liability
 - Coverage for liabilities resulting from a failure to protect or unlawful disclosure of both online and offline confidential information, virus attacks, denial of service attacks and transmission of malicious code
- Privacy Regulatory Defense and Penalties
 - Coverage for defense costs and fines/penalties for violations of privacy regulations
- Media Liability
 - Coverage for both online and offline media content, including claims alleging copyright/trademark infringement, libel/slander and personal injury
- Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards (PCI DSS)
 - Reimbursement for costs associated with monetary charges, assessments, fines and/or penalties levied by a payment card association or acquiring bank resulting from non-compliance with PCI DSS

Added Benefits of "Cyber Insurance"

Pre-Breach Services

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- Insurers provide value-added services to their cyber policyholders
 - These "pre-breach services" serve to mitigate the risk of cyber events, which benefits both the insurers and the insured
 - Offerings vary from insurer to insurer
 - Some insurers offer "free" services, while others provide access/introductions to vetted vendors, often at preferred rates. Examples of pre-breach services include:
 - Vulnerability scans
 - Phishing simulations and employee training
 - Tabletop exercises and assistance in developing incident response plans
- These services are not guaranteed to eliminate the risk
 - They help by identifying vulnerabilities and providing resources to address them
 - If you have a cyber event/breach/litigation, having coverage in place provides comfort that you have a partner standing by ready to respond

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Market Dynamics

- Carriers in the market
 - There are over 100 policy forms available, but there are major players
- Claims on the rise
 - Ransomware has seen the greatest uptick; all industries & sizes at risk
 - Both frequency and severity have increased exponentially in the last two years
- Rate increases are here
 - Because claims are on the rise, insurers are re-evaluating their books of business and realizing premiums are inadequate

- How to Obtain Coverage
 - ✓ Contact your broker
 - Cyber expertise
 - Claims expertise
 - ✓ Complete submission materials
 - Application
 - List of outsource service providers
 - Supplementary info, as needed
 - ✓ Understand your options
 - Limits, retentions, term & conditions
 - Pre-breach offerings
 - ✓ Know who to call during a claim



"TOP 5" CYBER UNDERWRITING FOCUS AREAS in 2021

1. MULTIFACTOR AUTHENTICATION*

- What are the specifics on how widely it is utilized?
 - Privileged accounts, back-ups, remote access require MFA for the entire network?
 - All local and remote access for administrative and privileged users at a minimum?
- Compensating factors in place where it's not being utilized are no longer accepted and we/USI will need to seek additional detail from client

2. END POINT DETECTION AND RESPONSE (EDR) & EXTENDED DETECTION AND RESPONSE (XDR):

- In place? Utilized on entire network if not, why not?
- Vendors used Sentinel One? Carbon Black? Other?

3. 24/7 NETWORK MONITORING AND SECURITY OPERATIONS CENTER (SOC):

• In place? How is it being done? Internal or external (through an IT Managed Service Provider, e.g.)? 24/7 monitoring of all logs and reports?

4. NETWORK BACK-UPS:

- Type? Immutable? Does it require MFA to access?
- Location off site? Co-location? Air-gapped?
- Frequency how often are back-ups made?
- Testing is this done?

NETWORK SEGMENTATION:

- Critical systems segmentation in place?
- EoL (End of Life) / EoS (End of Support) update?
- Process for monitoring and preventing lateral movement?
- Patching and patching cadence? Especially for critical risks?

*What is Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)?

Multi-factor authentication (MFA) is a security control that requires users to verify their identities by providing multiple pieces of evidence before gaining access to a device or application.

What Are the Different Authentication Factors?

- Knowledge—the user provides information only he/she knows, like a password or answers to challenge questions
- Possession—the user supplies an item he/she has, like a onetime password
- Inherence—the user relies on a characteristic unique to who he is, such as a fingerprint, retina scan, or voice recognition

Two-Factor Authentication vs. Multi-Factor Authentication (2FA vs. MFA)

- Two-factor authentication (2FA) always utilizes two of the factors to verify the user's identity.
- Multi-factor authentication (MFA) could involve two of the factors or it could involve all three.

Source: IBM



Items requested if Cyber coverage currently in place – IN ADDITION TO APPLICATIONS:

- Current cyber policy including all endorsements and most recent application/supplements
- Copy of most recent audited financials with notes (at a minimum revenue size is needed)
- Copy of organizational structure with ownership (most recent)

Items requested if cyber coverage **NOT** currently in place:

- Understanding of which cyber threat(s) does client believe pose the largest financial/operational impact to the organization
- Cyber preparedness plan (DRP/IRP)
- Most recent audited financials



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