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MPE attains major cyber security certification

In May 2019 MPE attained its Cyber Essentials certification. This certification provides further assurance to clients of the robustness of MPE's data and IT systems and their safeguards against online security threats.

The UK Government has worked with the Information Assurance for Small and Medium Enterprises (the IASME Consortium) and the Information Security Forum (ISF) to develop Cyber Essentials, a set of technical controls to help organisations protect themselves against common online security threats.

The scheme is backed by industry partners, including the Federation of Small Businesses, the CBI and a number of insurance providers. In fact the British Government now requires all suppliers bidding for contracts involving the handling of certain types of sensitive information to be certified in accordance with the Cyber Essentials scheme.

The certification body is IntaForensics Ltd, whilst the accreditation organisation is the IASME Consortium. MPE's certificate no. IASME-A-011029 is valid until May 2020.

The Assessment phase was divided into five segments:

- 1) Boundary firewalls and Internet gateways
- 2) Secure configuration
- 3) User access control
- 4) Malware protection
- 5) Patch management.

Each of these five segments were then further subdivided, and the Assessment examined every piece of IT equipment at MPE, all IT security, malware and antivirus software in use at the company, and the robustness and policing of all of its IT processes. MPE was proud to have achieved 100% compliance in this Assessment.

The attainment of such Cyber Essentials certification demonstrates that MPE has a clear picture of the company's cyber security performance. The certification also provides reassurance to clients that MPE has taken the appropriate steps to secure its IT systems against future cyber attack and proves MPE's commitment to protecting its own and its customers' data.

The link to MPE's Cyber Essentials certificate is:

www.mpe.co.uk/about-us/certificates/

