**Dial-In Access Policy**

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# Overview

See Purpose.

# Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to protect <Company Name>'s electronic information from being inadvertently compromised by authorized personnel using a dial-in connection.

# Scope

The scope of this policy is to define appropriate dial-in access and its use by authorized personnel.

# Policy

<Company Name> employees and authorized third parties (customers, vendors, etc.) can use dial-in connections to gain access to the corporate network. Dial-in access should be strictly controlled, using one-time password authentication.

It is the responsibility of employees with dial-in access privileges to ensure a dial-in connection to <Company Name> is not used by non-employees to gain access to company information system resources. An employee who is granted dial-in access privileges must remain constantly aware that dial-in connections between their location and <Company Name> are literal extensions of <Company Name>'s corporate network, and that they provide a potential path to the company's most sensitive information. The employee and/or authorized third party individual must take every reasonable measure to protect <Company Name>'s assets.

Analog and non-GSM digital cellular phones cannot be used to connect to <Company Name>'s corporate network, as their signals can be readily scanned and/or hijacked by unauthorized individuals. Only GSM standard digital cellular phones are considered secure enough for connection to <Company Name>'s network. For additional information on wireless access to the <Company Name> network, consult the *Wireless Communications Policy*.

Note: Dial-in accounts are considered 'as needed' accounts. Account activity is monitored, and if a dial-in account is not used for a period of six months the account will expire and no longer function. If dial-in access is subsequently required, the individual must request a new account as described above.

# Policy Compliance

* 1. Compliance Measurement

The Infosec team will verify compliance to this policy through various methods, including but not limited to, business tool reports, internal and external audits, and feedback to the policy owner.

# Exceptions

Any exception to the policy must be approved by the Infosec team in advance.

# Non-Compliance

An employee found to have violated this policy may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.

# Related Standards, Policies and Processes

* Wireless Communications Policy

# Definitions and Terms

None.

# Revision History

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