



Sanitary Surveys & Cybersecurity Assessments

Cybersecurity Resources For Public Water Systems



In response to the [US EPA March 3, 2023 memorandum](#), MassDEP strongly encourages water systems to take advantage of the free EPA evaluations before their sanitary survey inspections and to be prepared for MassDEP/DWP to evaluate the results of their cybersecurity assessments and their ERPs during sanitary surveys.



EPA Free Cybersecurity Evaluation Program

Water Sector Cybersecurity Evaluation Program: EPA's Cybersecurity Evaluation Program will conduct a cybersecurity assessment for PWS. The assessment will follow the checklist in the guidance on Evaluating Cybersecurity in PWS Sanitary Surveys which will then generate a report that will highlight gaps in cybersecurity, including potential significant deficiencies.

How to Apply

Use the following link or scan the barcode:

tinyurl.com/EPACYBER-FREE-EVALUATION



For Additional Tools Visit EPA Cyber Page:
<https://tinyurl.com/Cyber-EPA>

4 Things You Can Do to Increase Online Security

- 1. Think Before You Click, Recognize and Report Phishing:** If a link looks a little off, think before you click. It could be an attempt to get sensitive information or install malware.
- 2. Update Your Software:** Don't delay - If you see a software update notification, act promptly. Better yet, turn on automatic updates.
- 3. Use Strong Passwords:** Make sure it's long - at least 15 characters, and avoid using common or easily guessable passwords, such as simple keyboard patterns, when creating your passwords. Don't share your password with anyone or use the same or similar password for multiple accounts.
- 4. Enable Multi-Factor Authentication:** You need more than a password to protect your online accounts, and enabling MFA makes you significantly less likely to get hacked.

MassDEP DWP Cybersecurity Resources

<https://tinyurl.com/MassDEP-CybersecurityResources>



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