

# Get accredited for Cyber Essentials Plus with ramsac



## Why should you be Cyber Essentials Plus accredited?

Cyber Essentials Plus is a Government-backed and industry supported scheme to guide businesses in protecting themselves against common cyber threats.

Achieving Cyber Essentials Plus in addition to Cyber Essentials Basic provides several key benefits that can significantly enhance your cybersecurity posture. Here's why going for Cyber Essentials Plus is advantageous:

- ✓ Includes an independent verification of your security posture from a certifying body
- ✓ Signals to customers, partners and stakeholders how seriously you take cyber security
- ✓ Provides a competitive advantage when bidding for new business contracts
- ✓ Offers piece of mind that your systems are safe and secure
- ✓ Suitable for organisations requiring a more comprehensive and verified level of security

## How does Cyber Essentials Plus differ from Cyber Essentials Basic?

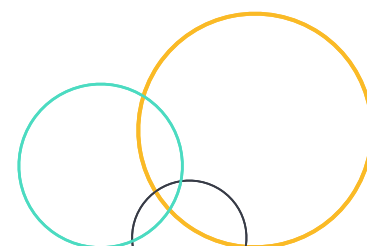
While the Basic accreditation helps establish your recommended security baselines, it is not verified by a certifying body, whereas the Plus accreditation is and ensures that your written and technical policies are functioning effectively in practice, which includes:

1. Independent Technical Verification
2. External Vulnerability Scanning
3. Internal Security Testing
4. End-user Device Testing
5. End-User Practical Checks

## How can ramsac help you achieve Cyber Essentials Plus?

Our team have successfully helped many of our clients achieve Cyber Essentials Plus. Here is how they can help you achieve this accreditation:

- Guide you through the whole process
- Build a schedule that suits you and your organisation
- Co-ordinate directly with the certifying body
- Complete a pre-assessment to ensure you're ready
- Assist with the external assessment
- Keep you updated throughout
- Process and provide your certificate



# What is the timeline to achieve Cyber Essentials Plus?

## Step 1 - Confirming your order

To start, Cyber Essentials Basic must have been achieved within the last three months. A 50% deposit is required before proceeding, and a schedule needs to be agreed upon by all parties.

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## Step 2 - Complete asset declaration form

This form is used to determine the scope of the assessment by confirming the users and devices that will be assessed.

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## Step 3 - On-site pre-assessment

During this phase, ramsac will be on-site to conduct internal scans, identify and address vulnerabilities, and ensure that all devices are updated and patched. End users need to be available to support this process.

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## Step 4 - Preparation with assessor

External scans will be run by the assessor, and this stage confirms readiness for the assessment day.

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## Step 5 - Independent Technical Verification

The assessment is conducted by an external certifying body, with ramsac present on-site. End users must be available as tests are performed to confirm that all required controls are in place.

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## Step 6 - Certification Issued

Once all tests are completed, certification is confirmed by the certifying body. You will receive your certificate, logos, and report, with certification being valid for 12 months

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## Find out more

For more information on Cyber Essentials Plus and how you can get your organisation certified please contact ramsac on

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