

# Remote Office Data Backup Compliance Policy

## 1. Purpose

This policy establishes the requirements and responsibilities for data backup and restoration in remote offices to ensure data integrity, availability, and compliance with company standards.

## 2. Scope

This policy applies to all personnel, contractors, and systems operating at remote office locations that store, process, or transmit company data.

## 3. Policy Statements

1. All critical business data at remote offices must be backed up according to the company's backup schedule.
2. Backups must be encrypted using approved encryption standards.
3. Backup data must be stored in a secure, company-approved location, either on-premises or in the cloud.
4. Backup processes must be tested periodically to ensure data can be recovered successfully.
5. Retention of backup files must meet regulatory and business requirements.
6. Access to backup data is restricted to authorized personnel only.

## 4. Responsibilities

Role	Responsibility
IT Administrator	Implement and monitor backup processes, perform backup testing, and verify compliance.
Remote Office Manager	Ensure local compliance with the policy and report issues to IT.
Employees	Follow data storage and backup procedures; promptly report incidents.

## 5. Backup Schedule

- Daily incremental backups of active work data.
- Weekly full backups stored offsite or in the cloud.
- Monthly testing of backup restoration procedures.

## 6. Incident Response

In the event of data loss or backup failure, incidents must be reported to IT Support immediately for investigation and recovery following the company's Incident Response Plan.

## 7. Compliance

Non-compliance with this policy may result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination, and possible legal liability.

## 8. Review and Updates

This policy will be reviewed annually or as needed in response to legal, regulatory, or operational changes.

## 9. Acknowledgement

All remote office staff must acknowledge their understanding of and adherence to this policy.