

# Businesses should 'restrict web access'

Companies should restrict employee access to the internet, it has been suggested.

One expert has said that laying down some ground rules in the office will mean that the risk of online crime will be reduced.

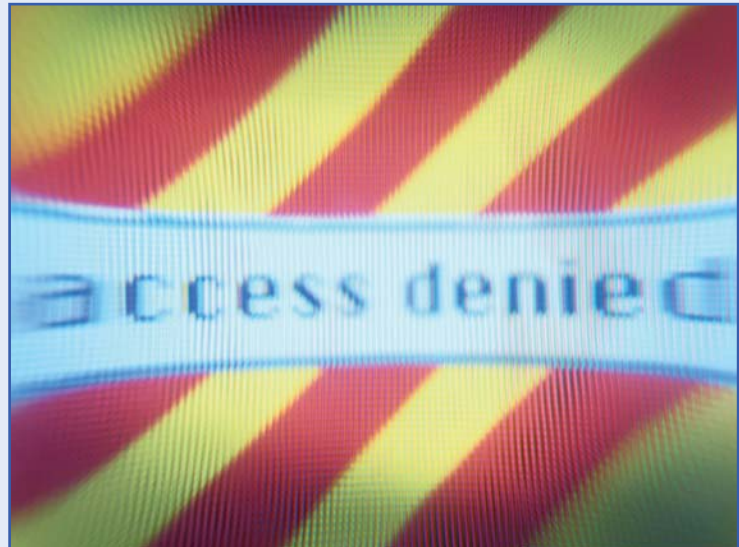
Managing director of Get Safe Online Tony Neate stated that the process of restricting access does not have to be complicated.

"[It can involve] simple things like controlling access to iPods and mails coming in from web addresses and even social networking sites," he commented.

However, bosses should be wary of being unreasonable and creating a nice working atmosphere, he remarked.

Mr Neate stated that data could be leaked out of the system. Currently a big issue for online businesses is that people may accidentally pass information on or a network could be attacked by hackers.

These comments follow research by the company released earlier this year that shows 44 per cent of businesses have been a victim of cyber crime.



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