

Cyber Risk Landscape for Law firms

Law firms are considered particularly vulnerable to fraudulent attacks by criminals.



Why?



Confidential information is firms' stock-in-trade



High value transactions



Client accounts holding large sums



Older technology more prone to attack



Smaller businesses -typically less sophisticated anti-fraud measures



173 law firms investigated by ICO in 2014



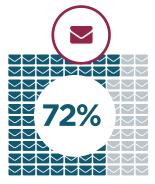




Cyber incidents cost UK laws firms £2.53m in the first six months of 2016



46% of all UK businesses identified at least 1 cyber attack in last year



72% of reported breaches relate to fraudulent email



Staff in 58 out of 100 law firms clicked links in phishing emails (NCC/RSA simulated phishing exercise 2017)







Example Risk	PII Policy	Fidelity Policy	Cyber Policy	Crime Policy
Data breach from external cyber attack	✓ 1	×	~	× 2
Data breach from staff error	✓ 1	×	✓ 3	*
Theft from firm's client account from telephone scam	~	×	*	~
Client paid into wrong account following invoice hijacking (email interception)	>	×	*	7
Theft of firm's money by third party	×	1 3	~ 8	~
Theft of firms money by member of staff		~	×	~
Internet Service Provider failure	✓ 1	×	~ 9	×
Reputational and financial loss from computer systems failure from malicious attack		13	10	
Third party supplier data breach	✓ 1	×	X 11	×
Regulatory defence and civil awards fines and penalties as a result of security breach	×	×	~	×
A Breach response costs	×	× 13	~	x 2
Ransom request following computer systems attack		×	~	12
Counterfeit cheques or bank notes	×	13	×	~
Employee credit card fraud	×	✓ 13	×	✓
Costs incurred for fraudulent use of telephone line	×	1 3	×	~
📬 Utilities use fraud	*	✓ 13	×	✓

^{1.} Only covers client/3rd party claims arising from professional services covered by PII | 2. Data reinstatement costs only | 3. Certain cyber policies will also provide cover for general data breach. Check policy details | 4. Telephone fraud is not covered by all policies, but some may offer by optional extension | 5. If firm is proven liable for the loss, and a civil liability is incurred under the PII | 6. If firm's IT systems are confirmed as the source of the interception/breach, may be covered. | 7. The firm has not suffered a loss | 8. Limited and narrow (& only for specific cyber-crime incidents linked to a cyber breach) | 9. Business interruption due to loss of service covered but exclusions apply where due to infrastructure failure | 10. Cover to limit reputational damage from a cyber event | 11. Vicarious liability cover available | 12. Depends on policy | 13. Optional extension

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