

《新加坡不允许公务员访问外网》

导读:为防止信息泄露,新加坡政府使出“狠”招,要求所有公务员使用的公务电脑从明年5月起停止接入互联网。



(CNN)So that's the end of Googling from the office.

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By next May, none of Singapore's public servants will have access to the internet while at work.

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The city-state, which prides itself on strong law and order, is cutting off online access for government workers from about 100,000 computers, according to the Straits Times.

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A memo is being sent to all government agencies, outlining the new policy, which has been introduced to increase security, according to a statement from the Infocomm Development Authority.

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"The Singapore Government regularly reviews our IT measures to make our network more secure," the statement said.

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"We have started to separate internet access from the work stations of a selected group of public service officers, and will do so for the rest of the public service officers progressively over a one-year period."

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The Straits Times reports that workers will be able to access the internet on their private devices.

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Productivity vs. security

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Cyber-security expert, Michael Gazeley, Managing Director of Network Box, says there's no way to make computers completely safe, especially if the USB port still functions.

???????Network Box?????Michael Gazeley????????????????????USB????

"One can obviously improve cyber-security significantly by not allowing computers to connect to the internet. However, further protection can be achieved by having special computers, which have no USB connectivity, in order to remove another common threat vector."

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However he said, while cutting off internet access makes sense for workers dealing with sensitive information, for others it might be a costly inconvenience.

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"It's typically a balance between convenience and security. If everyone is disconnected, how do they even work together? If they do work, how are they then going to move that work across to anyone else? Are they going to print it out? Is the printer secure? Is the paper secure?" Gazeley said.

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