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M365 Copilot

Readiness Assessment



M365 Copilot is transforming work

60%

of leaders say a lack of innovation or breakthrough ideas is a concern

64%

of people have struggled with finding time and energy to get their work done

70%

of people indicated they would delegate as much as possible to AI to lessen their workloads



68%

said Copilot improved the quality of their work

70%

said Copilot made them more productive

77%

said they didn't want to give Copilot up

Copilot for Microsoft Readiness Assessment Goals

Assess your business readiness

Identify your organization's ability to drive adoption of M365 Copilot through effective organizational sponsorship, strategy, and execution of capabilities of generative AI solutions.

Technical Readiness

Identify any gaps and opportunities where technical changes must be implemented for your organization to successfully support enablement of M365 Copilot.

Cyber & Security Readiness

Identify where cyber and data security enhancements need to be made within your organization to support the safe and compliant adoption of M365 Copilot by your business users.



Readiness Assessment Agenda



Discovery

- M365 Copilot Optimization Assessment Workshop with sponsors and stakeholders 2 Hours
- AI readiness 1:1 interviews with 3 executive sponsors and stakeholders 30 mins each



Technical Review (Workshops)

- Review SharePoint and Teams Configuration 3 Hours
- Review Data Security, Governance and Controls 2 Hours
- [Optional] Enable trial license of SharePoint Advanced Management and review findings 2 Hours
- Review Identity & Access Management 1 Hour
- Review Device Management 2 Hour
- Review Data Lifecycle controls 2 Hour
- Review App Management 2 Hour
- Review data sources outside Microsoft 365 1 Hour



Next Steps

- Assessment Report and Recommendations 1 Hour
- Guidance on Next Steps 30 Mins



Out of scope

M365 Copilot Deployment

Deployment of M365 Copilot is out of scope for this engagement but available as an add-on or separate SOW.

M365 Copilot Adoption

Adoption and Change Management services including training for end-users for M365 Copilot is out of scope for this engagement but available as an add-on or separate SOW.

M365 Copilot Customization

Customization of M365 Copilot and integration with any data source or application external to Microsoft 365 is out of scope for this engagement but available as an add-on or separate SOW.

Discover – Know your data and understand the risks

Uncover the potential data and security risks M365 Copilot could introduce into your organization.

What is sensitive?

- Define what is sensitive to the organization
- Generic & customer specific
 - Company secrets
 - Highly confidential
 - Personal Identifiable Information

Where does data live?

- Created inventory of all data repositories
- Considered as copilot source
 - Microsoft 365
 - 3rd party sources
 - Structured and unstructured

Who has access?

- What content can employee access
- Internal & external to the organization
- Access control and access management
- Oversharing

How is it used?

- Sensitive data overexposure
- Unprotected data
- Is the use of sensitive data managed

What is the risk?

- What if data is exposed
- Which data could harm the organization
- What would be the impact & cost
- Are we at risk
- Are we compliant

Protect

Implement controls to mitigate and reduce risk.

Data Lifecycle controls

- Minimize obsolete data
- Retention policies and automatic deletion
- Records management for business, legal or regulatory record keeping requirements

Data Protection controls

- Protect sensitive information
 - Data encryption
 - Watermarking
- Prevent Data loss
- Protect against Oversharing and external sharing

Data access controls

- Optimize access permissions, remove, block
- Correct oversharing
- Exclude data sources

Data labeling

- Apply sensitivity labels to data
- Manual, user initiated
- Automatic, based on content, location, purpose, etc.

Data classification

- Select and define sensitive info types
 - Generic, out of the box
 - Customer specific, custom defined to specification



Organizational risk tolerance define next steps.

Low risk
Enable copilot

Medium risk
Implement (additional) data security and in parallel enable copilot.

High risk
Implement data security before enabling copilot

Elevate
Productivity



Discover – Protect user access to M365 Copilot

Use strong authentication and real-time, risk-based adaptive access policies without compromising user experience

Can users access?

- Are Entra ID identities being used?
- Are on-premise identities being used and are they synchronized to Entra ID?

Who has access?

- Do different groups of users require different access permissions?
- Do you use strong authentication methods to prevent credentials theft?
- Do you review access?

Is access controlled? Is access fast and simple? What is the risk?

- Do you have adaptive access policies in place based on location, device risk or user risk?
- Do admins have just-enough and just-in-time access to manage access to data and resources?

- Do users need multiple accounts and passwords to access data and resources?
- Do users need to re-enter their credentials to access different resources?
- Can users reset or change their own password?

- What if data is exposed outside of the company?
- What if the wrong users access sensitive data?
- What would be the impact & cost?
- Are we at risk?
- Are we compliant?

Protect

Implement controls to mitigate and reduce risk.

Review access

- Review and manage user access using access reviews for group members or application access

Seamless access

- Setup single sign-on to provide an easy and fast sign-in experience
- Setup self-service password reset and change, and account unlock.
- Setup passwordless authentication

Secure adaptive access

- Setup conditional access policies based on device compliance, user and location or real-time risk.
- Enable just-in-time and just-enough access for admin roles

User access

- Create user groups that require different access permissions
- Setup multifactor authentication to verify a user's identity

User identity

- Setup a single identity for users to access data and resources
- Synchronize on-premise identities to the cloud

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Productivity



Organizational risk tolerance define next steps.

Low risk
Enable copilot

Medium risk
Implement (additional) Identity & Access management features and policies, and in parallel enable copilot.

High risk
Implement Identity & Access management before enabling copilot

Discover – Secure access to M365 Copilot from any device

Ensure that only secure, up-to-date and compliant Windows physical or virtual devices and mobile devices have access

Which devices?

- Windows physical devices
- Windows virtual devices (Windows 365 or AVD)
- Android Devices
- iOS/iPadOS devices
- macOS devices

Are devices managed?

- Are users accessing Microsoft 365 from unmanaged devices?
- Are users accessing Microsoft 365 from an MDM managed device?
- Are devices company-owned or personal?

Are apps up to date?

- Are the Microsoft 365 apps deployed remotely to all types of managed devices?
- Are the Microsoft 365 apps up to date for Copilot?

Are devices secure?

- Are security policies in place to protect devices from vulnerabilities and threats and improve compliance?
- Are devices up to date with the latest OS version?

What is the risk?

- What if compromised devices are used to access company data?
- What if corporate data is exposed?
- What would be the impact & cost?
- Are we at risk?
- Are we compliant?

Protect

Implement controls to mitigate and reduce risk.

Wipe devices

- Fully wipe lost or stolen devices
- Wipe all work content on unmanaged devices including content generated by copilot when an employee leaves the company

Revoke access

- Revoke access to non-compliant devices
- Remediate non-compliant devices

Set compliance

- Deploy device compliance policies
- Create conditional access policies based on device compliance for accessing Microsoft 365

Manage apps

- Deploy Microsoft 365 apps
- Deploy app configuration policies
- Deploy app update policies

Manage devices

- Enroll devices into device management
- Deploy device configuration policies
- Deploy device protection policies
- Deploy OS update policies

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Organizational risk tolerance define next steps.

Low risk
Enable copilot

Medium risk
Implement (additional) endpoint management features and policies, and in parallel enable copilot.

High risk
Implement endpoint management before enabling copilot

Discover – Secure apps used to access to M365 Copilot

Control how data is accessed and shared by apps on mobile devices

On which devices?

- Do users access Microsoft 365 apps from personal devices?
- Do users access Microsoft 365 apps from third-party MDM managed devices?
- Do users access Microsoft 365 apps from unmanaged devices?

Which apps?

- From which Microsoft 365 apps do users need access to Microsoft 365 and Microsoft Copilot?
- Do users need access to Microsoft 365 from third-party apps?
- Are users allowed to use personal apps?

Are apps protected?

- Is a PIN, fingerprint or face ID required to access corporate apps?
- Can certain actions to move or access corporate data be prohibited or monitored within the apps?

How is data shared?

- Can you control how corporate data is shared between corporate and personal apps or storage locations?

What is the risk?

- What if shadow IT is used to access company data?
- What if corporate data is exposed to personal apps or public locations?
- What would be the impact & cost?
- Are we at risk?
- Are we compliant?

Protect

Implement controls to mitigate and reduce risk.

Wipe app data

- Selectively wipe corporate data from the managed apps when a user leaves the company or when an unmanaged device is lost or stolen.

Define managed locations

- Setup OneDrive for Business
- Prevent the saving of company app data to a personal storage location

Set approved apps

- Restrict access to Microsoft 365 to only approved apps

Restrict app data usage

- Require a PIN, fingerprint or face ID to access an app in work context
- Control the sharing of data between corporate and personal apps (Restrict cut, copy, and paste)

Protect apps

- Setup app protection policies to protect the core Microsoft apps
- Setup app protection policies to protect supported third-party apps
- Protect in-house built apps

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Organizational risk tolerance define next steps.

Low risk
Enable copilot

Medium risk
Implement (additional) mobile application management features and policies, and in parallel enable copilot.

High risk
Implement mobile application management before enabling copilot

Next Steps

Schedule your assessment today!

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