

Keeping Home and Work Lives Separate

(hot side hot and cold side cold)

The Problem

- Line between work and home is blurred
- Work is home, home is work
- At home we answer emails and the phone
- At work we check our home email

- None of this is necessarily wrong, but it contributes to a blurring between the two

Guideline ...



Two Items For Discussion

1. Email and accounts
2. Credit cards and banking

Email addresses circa 2000

johnnyandmary@gmail.com

thesmiths@hotmail.com

familyjones@home.com

What do all these have in common?

They are all email accounts shared
by multiple people

Shared email accounts

- Shared email accounts work as well as two heads on a llama
- How does Johnny mark what he read but Mary has not yet read?



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Remember: bad things happen
when you cross the work/home
streams

Presented for Your Consideration ...



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Johnny had a “Bad Tax Return Experience”™

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Hillary loses her home email server and the work information is gone forever (no backups at home)

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Bob gets caught by phishing email that appears to be a sale on soccer balls

What can we learn from Johnny, Bob and Hillary?



LESSONS LEARNED

Treat your work life as a separate person from your home life

- Do not share email with that “other person”
- Do not use your work contact for your personal dealings and vice versa
- If Sony gets hacked (again) do you want your work account to be publically available?

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- Typically I don’t get breached

Conclusion

Treat your work person as a separate person from your home person and do not share between the two

Do not trust that “other person”

- Email
- Credit cards/banking

Thank you