



# External Penetration Test

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ISO 27001

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## What is an External Penetration Test?

An external penetration test is a manual assessment of the security of your internet-facing infrastructure. Expert security consultants will check the configuration of your network to ensure that your systems are not exposed to attack from the internet.

## Why should I have an External Penetration Test?

Regulations and standards such as: PCI, FSA, DPA and ISO 27001 are all in some way met by penetration testing. An external penetration test will meet regulatory requirements, as well as improving your overall information security. It is also essential for systems carrying public sector information, and in particular personal information. Whilst you may not consider that you would be a target for a hacking attack from the internet, experience shows that hackers will exploit and publish vulnerabilities that they find to demonstrate their skills and expertise. Such an incident could have a damaging effect on the reputation of your company.

An external penetration test will identify any weaknesses in the security of your internet-facing infrastructure and demonstrate your commitment to information security governance.

## What is the advantage over an automated vulnerability scan?

An automated vulnerability scan will identify common vulnerabilities, but will often miss or mis-report vulnerabilities (as “false positives”). A manual test by a security expert will be more tailored to your environment, and will be more comprehensive. The report from the test will also contain advice on fixing issues found.

## Why should I use Activity?

Activity is recognised as a leading penetration test specialist in the UK. We invest in the training and development of our security experts ensuring that you benefit from the best security advice available.

We are members of CREST – the UK industry body for penetration testing companies, as well as being recognised by HM Government for public sector penetration testing by being members of the CESG CHECK scheme. Membership of both schemes provides you with independent confirmation of the quality and professionalism of our services.

## What do I get?

Our experts will remotely test the security of your internet-facing infrastructure to identify any known security vulnerabilities. We will not perform any “denial of service” testing, but will report any vulnerability to such attacks that we find.

Any significant vulnerabilities will be reported to you on the day that they are found. All our findings will be presented in a written report, detailing any vulnerabilities found, our view of the risk that they pose to you, and recommended fixes to address them.

**Whether you are considering your first penetration test or looking to review current providers, we can help: contact us to arrange a Service Review Call to understand your specific requirements and answer any questions you may have; we can then formulate a proposal for you. Please call or email your account manager.**