



# Is Your Network Past End-Of-Life?



*A 10-Point Checklist for Manufacturers and Multi-Site Organizations*



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## Please Check All That Apply To Your Organization

### 1. Core network equipment is no longer under vendor support

- Firewalls, switches, or wireless access points are end-of-life or end-of-support
- Firmware updates and security patches are limited or unavailable

### 2. Network performance issues are becoming “normal”

- Slow connections, dropped Wi-Fi, or intermittent outages are frequent
- Performance complaints are increasing from operations or office staff

### 3. Troubleshooting takes longer than it should

- IT teams rely on manual fixes or workarounds
- Issues require repeated intervention instead of permanent resolution

### 4. Security controls vary by location

- Different sites use different firewalls, configurations, or policies
- Visibility into network security is inconsistent across locations

### 5. Network changes feel risky or disruptive

- Updates or replacements require emergency windows or production impact
- Fear of downtime delays needed upgrades

### 6. Hardware refreshes are reactive, not planned

- Equipment is replaced only after failure
- No standardized lifecycle or replacement schedule exists

### 7. IT spend is unpredictable

- Unexpected repair or emergency replacement costs occur
  - Budgeting for IT infrastructure feels reactive rather than strategic
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## 8. Network design hasn't scaled with business growth

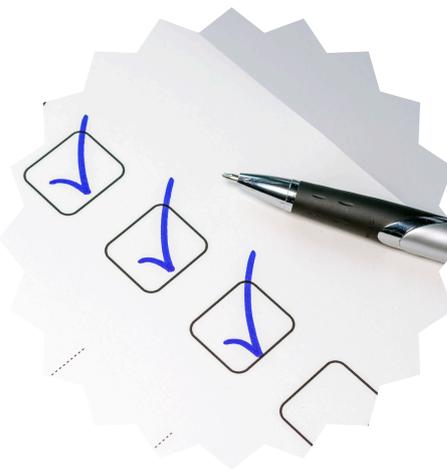
- New sites, acquisitions, or expansions were added without standardization
  - Infrastructure was not designed for current size or workload
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## 9. Compliance and cyber insurance requirements are harder to meet

- Documentation and controls are difficult to validate
  - Insurers or auditors are asking more network-related questions
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## 10. You don't have a clear roadmap for the next 3–5 years

- No long-term plan for modernization, security, or scalability
  - IT decisions are driven by urgency rather than strategy
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If you checked **3 or more boxes**, your network may be operating past its intended lifecycle — increasing risk, cost, and downtime exposure.

A properly planned network modernization can improve performance, security, and reliability, without disrupting operations.