

A Blueprint for Print Transformation

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Welcome to Hybrid Work

The change to remote working over the past few years has changed the expectations of many workers. They now want a greater say in how and where they work. Because of this, you will now need to adjust your own assumptions and decide if a new approach to hybrid work is needed. The goal should ultimately be to improve collaboration, boost productivity, and increase flexibility.

Because every business is unique, each organization will need to discover which approach to hybrid work is best for them. Depending on your company's circumstances and vision, the software, devices, and solutions needed for your employees to perform at their best may vary.

The first step in planning your response to hybrid work will be to determine which form of hybrid work is best for your team if you decide to incorporate it at all. We are here to help you ask the right questions to help enhance productivity and enable your connected workforce to succeed.

Consider the following questions:

- Do I understand what technologies a flexible workforce needs?
- Have I analyzed the productivity impact of remote working?
- Have I identified potential security gaps and risks?
- Have I contemplated how to improve workforce collaboration?





Empowering a Connected Workforce

As hybrid work becomes the new normal, you should have a solid understanding of what your employees are doing on a day-to-day basis to foster a successful long-term hybrid work strategy. Only then will you be able to provide them with the solutions and tools that they need to deliver their best work.

As you move to a flexible work model it is imperative that you understand that everyone's needs are different, so you have the opportunity to match the technology to the required individual. Start by considering the general personas that exist across most organizations and then build from there.

Providing Teams with a Seamless Work Experience

While technology plays a large role in easing your workforce's transition to flexible working, it is important that you do not rush in too quickly or adapt too slowly. As an IT professional, you must ensure that nothing stands in the way of teams working collaboratively to get work done. Technology should blend into the background and be a jumping-off point for everyday excellence.

Be Aware of Well-being

There are indeed many benefits of working hybrid, but one challenge is digital overload. This occurs when the boundaries between the office and home become blurred and longer hours get logged. While enabling employees to find work flexibility with the right technology solutions is great, you must push them to set boundaries. Ensure that they know you do not want a dissatisfied, burnt-out workforce and that reasonable expectations are set.





Designing the Flexible Workplace

Many teams have now thrived with new, more flexible remote working strategies. However, while working from anywhere has many advantages, many people may still want the option to work in the office. This is why a remote work strategy should consider how to re-engage with the office.

While flexible work presents many positive opportunities, there is also a looming worry of cultural decay. For businesses that choose to embrace flexible working, the office will most likely become the new offsite. This collaborative space will act as a catalyst for innovation and creativity. However, this will not happen by chance- you will have to imagine how the physical office space will work to bring people together with a shared goal.

Workflow Solutions that Deliver

IT faces many challenges in a flexible work world because there is a growing fleet of devices to maintain. To best support a flexible workforce, IT needs solutions that are simple to manage, easy to use, and support many styles of hybrid work. This requires the creation of a technology strategy focused on connectivity and flexibility.

To transform your workflow solution for hybrid working, be sure to provide support where needed. For example, providing printers, monitoring printer use, replacing ink and toner, updating firmware and security protocols and more can become tedious for IT teams. They will need a provider to supply the devices, assist with setup and onboarding, and provide software tools to maintain the devices. These solutions can help to unburden IT so they can focus on critical projects.





Hybrid Printing Made Easy

Regardless of where your employees are working, you need to provide a smooth printing and scanning experience. It is imperative that it is simple for employees to set up their office printers in any location and print on the go.

Your print environment also needs to be cloud-ready to move with other technologies, and IT teams must be able to manage your company's printers from a central platform for visibility and support. You can deliver the print experience that employees desire with Sharp Managed Print services. At AD Solutions, we are proud to work with Sharp to deliver quality, professional printing solutions.

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