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# Tidiness is half the digital battle

**Computers and mobile devices need loving care, too; not just to function well but – more importantly – also securely in the long term. Here are a few tips for your digital housekeeping.**

Whether you use Windows, macOS, a smartphone or tablet: Digital devices come with a wealth of functions, settings options and extensions. Some of them are hardly ever used or even completely unknown to users. Yet vulnerabilities or missing updates might just make devices unstable or – even worse – vulnerable to attacks.

A few digital housekeeping tips:

- Delete any software and apps you don't or no longer use.
- Use integrated security functions such as virus protection, firewall, password vault etc.
- Check the security and data protection features of your device.
- Regularly create back-up copies of all relevant data.
- Protect device access using passwords, PINs, fingerprints or facial recognition.
- Use secure passwords for all services you use.

You can find additional tips on security and housekeeping on your devices [here \(https://www.ebas.ch/en/tips-for-a-digital-clean-up/\)](https://www.ebas.ch/en/tips-for-a-digital-clean-up/).