Managing Information in Organizations

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Chapter 3 Role of Information Technology in Managing Information

Link 3.5 Example IT Policy

Match Lighting IT Policies	
Hardware Policy	Software Policy
The purpose of this policy is to provide a standard level of suitable equipment to staff in Match Lighting. This requires that: All computer equipment is purchased 	The purpose of this policy is to provide a standard level of suitable software to meet the requirements of staff Match Lighting. This requires that:
 through the IT department. Computer equipment will be upgraded where appropriate as part of the annual IT plan. 	 All software is purchased through the IT department. All equipment has the approved office software suite installed.
 Computer equipment will be replaced through a five year replacement programme. When additional equipment is 	 Where a business case can be made to support the need for additional software, the relevant line manager will be responsible for notifying the IT
 When additional equipment is needed due to the addition of new job posts, the relevant line manager will be responsible for notifying the IT Department that additional equipment is needed. 	 Department of the request The IT department will thoroughly test all software to ensure that the software does not pose a threat to the network prior to installation.
 The IT department will install equipment within 10 working days of the request. 	 No personal software must be installed on Match Lighting equipment.
 Personal access to CD ROM and USB ports is prohibited to prevent the introduction of viruses and to prevent the installation of illegal software. Where there is a business case for access to be granted to these ports, this should be approved by the line manager and the request made to the IT department. 	 The IT Department will maintain a record of all software licences.

Note: Additional policies relating to portable computers, mobile devices, data usage, data storage and email usage also apply.