

Employee Offboarding Checklist

Employee offboarding can often feel like a fire drill. This checklist provides you with the steps to ensure offboarding is handled securely and professionally and no task is forgotten.

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Internal Communications
Thank the employee for their contributions to your business, regardless of the circumstances of their departure
Inform all relevant internal stakeholders that offboarding is being initiated
Notify HR to prepare relevant paperwork, final paychecks, and termination of benefits
Outline the offboarding process to the employee
Inform the employee's team members and the wider company of their departure and finish date
Create a transition plan
Schedule an exit interview
Initiate the process of recruiting for the employee's position, if applicable
Handover Process
Create an offboarding messaging channel to keep stakeholders informed of the offboarding process
Ask the employee to document any required knowledge transfer
Determine which team members will take over the departing employee's responsibilities, if applicable
Inform team members of any temporary redistribution of responsibilities, re-routing of emails, etc.
Notify internal and external stakeholders of their updated point of contact
Schedule handover meetings with internal stakeholders and external clients, if applicable
Device and System Access
Create a list of all company devices, equipment, access cards, etc. to retrieve
Inform the employee of when and where this equipment must be returned
Create a list of all apps and files the employee has access to
Inform the employee of when their access to company resources will be revoked
Identify any files or systems that the employee has sole ownership of, and arrange for transfer of ownership
Reset two-factor authentication (2FA) to remove the departing employee's contact details

If operating BYOD (Bring Your Own Device), arrange for company files and access to be removed from the employee's personal devices

Deactivate the employee's profiles and revoke access to company systems, apps, and software on the appropriate date

Re-route employee emails and any other critical communications on the appropriate date

Remote Employees

Arrange for all company equipment to be returned by courier, if applicable

Remotely wipe or secure company devices before they are transferred to a courier

Terminate VPN access

Exit Interview

Perform exit interview and document all feedback

Ensure employee's personal contact details are up to date

Provide employer reference and other exit documentation, if applicable