

# 6 Steps to secure your Windows 10 Machine

## 1. Create a Restore Point

- a. Search **Restore Point** in Cortana -> select **Create a Restore Point** -> **System Protection Tab** Select the drive you have Windows installed on (usually C:) ->Click **Configure** -> **turn on System Protection** Click on **OK**. Click on **Create**.

## 2. Kill Bloatware

- a. Go to **Settings** -> **Apps** you will see a list of all your installed apps. Right click on one and you should be presented with an uninstall option.

## 3. Update Your Software

- a. Go to **Settings** -> **Update and Security** ->**Windows Update**.

## 4. Local Account

- a. Go to **Settings** -> **E-mail & App Accounts** Click the link that says **Sign-in with Local account only** -> **follow the prompts**.

## 5. Shut down Stalkerware

- a. Go to **Settings** -> **Privacy** turn off the setting for **Let apps use advertising ID to make ads more interesting to you based on your app usage (turning off will reset your ID)**.

## 6. Be sure A\V and Firewall are enabled

- a. Go to **Control Panel** -> **Windows Defender Firewall** Then Click **Turn windows Defender Firewall on or off** in the sidebar. Tick the box that says **Notify me when Windows Defender Firewall blocks a nes app**.