

Equinet introduces a new combined UTM Network Security and Data Backup appliance for small and medium sized businesses

Security appliance specialist, Equinet, has announced the release of the latest member of its well established NetPilot product range – the NetPilot Pro. This new model uniquely combines all the network security features of a Unified Threat Management (UTM) unit with those of an automated data backup device.

Equinet, whose product ranges serve both education and SME markets, has over ten years experience in the UTM arena and just under half that with data backup. The company has decided that creating a combined technology product will appeal to businesses looking to get the most out of their ever more squeezed IT budgets.

Equinet Marketing Director, David Abbot comments “Typically, UTM security devices in small and medium sized business are working hard all day protecting the organisation’s users and network from all the hazards of the modern internet - defending against viruses, spyware and illegal or undesirable web content, etc. Then overnight, perhaps, all they are conducting are some minor anti-spam duties. Now the NetPilot Pro can augment data backup regimes by automatically taking backups of servers and PCs during this normally quiet period – providing true 24x7 benefits for our customers.”

“We don’t see organisations necessarily throwing out their existing backup solutions” continues Abbot. “However, we think NetPilot Pro offers a great ‘belt-and-bracers’ approach, augmenting what organisations already have in place. For example, if the responsible person forgets to mount the backup tape, or is on holiday or away from site for any reason, or perhaps the tape gets chewed up, with our new offering key data is still safe. Data files are backed up automatically without the need for any tapes or human intervention to the NetPilot Pro’s large capacity disk drives. Even better, rapid restoration of data can be achieved during the day time period at a much faster rate than attempting to find the right tape and puzzling what to do next.”

NetPilot Pro is available and shipping now and comes in either desktop or rackmount formats.
Prices start at £1795.

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About Equinet

Equinet was founded in 1998 and led the way in the manufacture and supply of devices giving SMEs and schools the peace of mind to make full use of the internet. Using the company's ability to deliver cost-effective, integrated hardware and software solutions, Equinet has developed a range of UTM appliances that provides both the business and education sectors with the twin benefits of accelerating internet access to enable effective distribution and use of web based materials – complemented by enabling e-safety and security of pupils, employees and their organisations' network infrastructures and data.

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