Recommended Security Controls for Federal Information Systems

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CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

THE NEED FOR SECURITY CONTROLS TO PROTECT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

T he selection and employment of appropriate *security controls* for an information system[1] is an important task that can have major implications on the operations[2] and assets of an organization. Security controls are the management, operational, and technical safeguards or countermeasures prescribed for an information system to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the system and its information. There are several important questions that should be answered by organizational officials when addressing the security considerations for their information systems:

- What security controls are needed to adequately protect the information systems that support the operations and assets of the organization in order to accomplish its assigned mission, protect its assets, fulfill its legal responsibilities, maintain its day-to-day functions, and protect individuals?

- Have the selected security controls been implemented or is there a realistic plan for their implementation?

- What is the desired or required level of assurance (i.e., grounds for confidence) that the selected security controls, as implemented, are effective[3] in their application?

The answers to these questions are not given in isolation but rather in the context of an effective *information security program* for the organization that identifies, controls, and mitigates risks to its information and information systems.[4] The security controls defined in Special Publication 800-53 and recommended for use by organizations in protecting their information systems should be employed in conjunction with and as part of a well-defined information security program. An effective information security program should include—

- Periodic assessments of risk, including the magnitude of harm that could result from the unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction of information and information systems that support the operations and assets of the organization;

- Policies and procedures that are based on risk assessments, cost-effectively reduce information security risks to an acceptable level, and ensure that information security is addressed throughout the life cycle of each organizational information system;

- Subordinate plans for providing adequate information security for networks, facilities, information systems, or groups of information systems, as appropriate;

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[1] An information system is a discrete set of information resources organized expressly for the collection, processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination, or disposition of information.

[2] Organizational operations include mission, functions, image, and reputation.

[3] Security control effectiveness addresses the extent to which the controls are implemented correctly, operating as intended, and producing the desired outcome with respect to meeting the security requirements for the system.

[4] The E-Government Act (P.L. 107-347) passed by the one hundred and seventh Congress and signed into law by the President in December 2002 recognized the importance of information security to the economic and national security interests of the United States. Title III of the E-Government Act, entitled the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA), emphasizes the need for organizations to develop, document, and implement an organization-wide program to provide information security for the information systems that support its operations and assets.

- Security awareness training to inform personnel (including contractors and other users of information systems that support the operations and assets of the organization) of the information security risks associated with their activities and their responsibilities in complying with organizational policies and procedures designed to reduce these risks;

- Periodic testing and evaluation of the effectiveness of information security policies, procedures, practices, and security controls to be performed with a frequency depending on risk, but no less than annually;

- A process for planning, implementing, evaluating, and documenting remedial actions to address any deficiencies in the information security policies, procedures, and practices of the organization;

- Procedures for detecting, reporting, and responding to security incidents; and

- Plans and procedures to ensure continuity of operations for information systems that support the operations and assets of the organization.

It is of paramount importance that responsible individuals within the organization understand the risks and other factors that could adversely affect their operations and assets. Moreover, these officials must understand the current status of their security programs and the security controls planned or in place to protect their information systems in order to make informed judgments and investments that appropriately mitigate risks to an acceptable level. The ultimate objective is to conduct the day-to-day operations of the organization and to accomplish the organization's stated missions with what the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-130 defines as *adequate security*, or security commensurate with risk, including the magnitude of harm resulting from the unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction of information.

1.1 PURPOSE AND APPLICABILITY

The purpose of this publication is to provide guidelines for selecting and specifying security controls for information systems supporting the executive agencies of the federal government. The guidelines apply to all components[5] of an information system that process, store, or transmit federal information. The guidelines have been developed to help achieve more secure information systems within the federal government by:

- Facilitating a more consistent, comparable, and repeatable approach for selecting and specifying security controls for information systems;

- Providing a recommendation for minimum security controls for information systems categorized in accordance with Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 199, *Standards for Security Categorization of Federal Information and Information Systems*;

- Promoting a dynamic, extensible catalog of security controls for information systems to meet the demands of changing requirements and technologies; and

- Creating a foundation for the development of assessment methods and procedures for determining security control effectiveness.

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[5] Information system components include, but are not limited to, mainframes, servers, workstations, network components, operating systems, middleware, and applications. Network components can include such devices as firewalls, switches, routers, gateways, wireless access points, and network appliances. Servers can include database servers, authentication servers, electronic mail and web servers, proxy servers, domain name servers, and network time servers. Information system components are either purchased commercially off-the-shelve or are custom developed.

The guidelines provided in this special publication are applicable to all federal information systems other than those systems designated as national security systems as defined in 44 U.S.C., Section 3542.[6] The guidelines have been broadly developed from a technical perspective to complement similar guidelines for national security systems. This publication is intended to provide guidance to federal agencies until the publication of FIPS 200, *Minimum Security Controls for Federal Information Systems* (projected for publication December 2005). In addition to the agencies of the federal government, state, local, and tribal governments, and private sector organizations that compose the critical infrastructure of the United States, are encouraged to consider the use of these guidelines, as appropriate.

1.2 TARGET AUDIENCE

This publication is intended to serve a diverse federal audience of information system and information security professionals including: (i) individuals with information system and information security management and oversight responsibilities (e.g., chief information officers, senior agency information security officers, and authorizing officials); (ii) individuals with information system development responsibilities (e.g., program and project managers); (iii) individuals with information security implementation and operational responsibilities (e.g., information system owners, information owners, information system security officers); and (iv) individuals with information system and information security assessment and monitoring responsibilities (e.g., auditors, inspectors general, evaluators, and certification agents). Commercial companies producing information technology products and systems, creating information security-related technologies, and providing information security services can also benefit from the information in this publication.

1.3 RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER SECURITY CONTROL PUBLICATIONS

To create the most technically sound and broadly applicable set of security controls for information systems, a variety of sources were considered during the development of this special publication. The sources included security controls from the defense, audit, financial, healthcare, and intelligence communities as well as controls defined by national and international standards organizations.[7] The objective of NIST Special Publication 800-53 is to provide a sufficiently rich set of security controls that satisfy the breadth and depth of security requirements[8] levied on information systems and that are consistent with and complementary to other established security standards.

The catalog of security controls provided in Special Publication 800-53 can be effectively used to demonstrate compliance with a variety of governmental, organizational, or institutional security

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[6] NIST Special Publication 800-59 provides guidance on identifying an information system as a national security system.

[7] Security controls from the audit, defense, healthcare, intelligence, and standards communities are contained in the following publications: (i) General Accounting Office, *Federal Information System Controls Audit Manual*; (ii) Department of Defense Instruction 8500.2, *Information Assurance Implementation*; (iii) Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, *Core Security Requirements*; (iv) Director of Central Intelligence Directive 6/3 Manual, *Protecting Sensitive Compartmented Information within Information Systems*; (v) NIST Special Publication 800-26, *Security Self-Assessment Guide for Information Technology Systems*; and (vi) International Organization for Standardization/International Electrotechnical Commission 17799:2000, *Code of Practice for Information Security Management*.

[8] Security requirements are those requirements levied on an information system that are derived from laws, executive orders, directives, policies, instructions, regulations, or organizational (mission) needs to ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the information being processed, stored, or transmitted.

requirements. It is the responsibility of organizations to select the appropriate security controls[9], to implement the controls correctly, and to demonstrate the effectiveness of the controls in satisfying their stated security requirements. The security controls in the catalog facilitate the development of assessment methods and procedures that can be used to demonstrate control effectiveness in a consistent and repeatable manner—thus contributing to the organization's confidence that there is ongoing compliance with its stated security requirements.[10]

1.4 ORGANIZATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Organizations should use FIPS 199 to define security categories for their information systems. This publication associates recommended minimum security controls with FIPS 199 low-impact, moderate-impact, and high-impact security categories. The recommendations for minimum security controls from Special Publication 800-53 can subsequently be used as a starting point for and input to the organization's risk assessment process.[11] The risk assessment process refines the initial set of minimum security controls with the resulting set of agreed-upon controls documented in the security plans for those information systems. While the FIPS 199 security categorization associates the operation of the information system with the potential impact on an organization's operations and assets, the incorporation of refined threat and vulnerability information during the risk assessment process facilitates the tailoring of the baseline security controls to address organizational needs and tolerance for risk. Deviations from the recommended baseline security controls should be made in accordance with the scoping guidance provided in this special publication and documented with appropriate justification and supporting rationale in the security plan for the information system. The use of security controls from Special Publication 800-53 and the incorporation of baseline (minimum) controls as a starting point in the control selection process, facilitates a more consistent level of security in an organizational information system. It also offers the needed flexibility to tailor the controls based on specific organizational policy and requirements documents, particular conditions and circumstances, known threat and vulnerability information, or tolerance for risk to the organization's operations and assets.

Building a more secure information system is a multifaceted undertaking that involves the use of: (i) well-defined system-level security requirements and security specifications; (ii) well-designed information technology component products; (iii) sound systems/security engineering principles and practices to effectively integrate component products into the information system; (iv) appropriate methods for product/system testing and evaluation; and (v) comprehensive system security planning and life cycle management.[12] From a systems engineering viewpoint, security is

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[9] NIST Special Publication 800-53 is the primary source of recommended security controls for federal information systems, replacing the security controls described in NIST Special Publications 800-18 and 800-26. Future versions of Special Publication 800-18 will eliminate the listing of security controls and reference Special Publication 800-53. The self-assessment questionnaire in Special Publication 800-26 will be updated to align with Special Publication 800-53.

[10] NIST Special Publication 800-53A, *Guide for Assessing the Security Controls in Federal Information Systems* (initial public draft, spring 2005), provides guidance on assessment methods and procedures for security controls defined in this publication. Special Publication 800-53A can also be used to conduct self-assessments of information systems.

[11] Risk assessments can be accomplished in a variety of ways depending on the specific needs of the organization. The assessment of risk is a process that should be incorporated into the system development life cycle, and the process should be reasonable for the organization concerned. NIST Special Publication 800-30, *Risk Management Guide for Information Technology Systems*, provides guidance on the assessment of risk.

[12] Successful life cycle management depends on having qualified personnel to oversee and manage the information systems within an organization. The skills and knowledge of organizational personnel with information systems (and information security) responsibilities should be carefully evaluated (e.g., through performance, certification, and experience).

just one of many required capabilities for an organizational information system—capabilities that must be funded by the organization throughout the life cycle of the system. Realistically assessing the risks to an organization's operations and assets by placing the information system into operation or continuing its operation is of utmost importance. Addressing the information system security requirements must be accomplished with full consideration of the risk tolerance of the organization *and* the cost, schedule, and performance issues associated with the acquisition, deployment, and operation of the system.

1.5 ORGANIZATION OF THIS SPECIAL PUBLICATION

The remainder of this special publication is organized as follows:

- **Chapter 2** describes the fundamental concepts associated with security control selection and specification including: (i) the structural components of security controls and how the controls are organized into families; (ii) the use of common security controls in support of organization-wide information security programs; (iii) minimum security (baseline) controls; (iv) assurance in the effectiveness of security controls; and (v) the commitment to maintain currency of the individual security controls and the control baselines.

- **Chapter 3** describes the process of selecting and specifying security controls for an information system including: (i) the organization's overall approach to managing risk; (ii) the security categorization of the system and the selection of minimum (baseline) security controls; (iii) the activities associated with tailoring the baseline security controls; and (iv) the potential for supplementing the initial security control baselines, as necessary.

- **Supporting appendices** provide more detailed security control selection and specification-related information including: (i) general references; (ii) definitions and terms; (iii) acronyms; (iv) minimum security controls for low-impact, moderate-impact, and high-impact information systems; (v) minimum assurance requirements; (vi) a master catalog of security controls; and (vii) mapping tables relating the security controls in this publication to other standards and control sets.

CHAPTER TWO

THE FUNDAMENTALS

SECURITY CONTROL STRUCTURE, ORGANIZATION, BASELINES, AND ASSURANCE

This chapter presents the fundamental concepts associated with security control selection and specification including: (i) the structure of security controls and the organization of the controls in the control catalog; (ii) the identification and use of common security controls; (iii) the application of minimum security controls, or control baselines, to information systems categorized in accordance with FIPS 199; (iv) security control assurance; and (v) future revisions to the security controls, the control catalog, and baseline controls.

2.1 SECURITY CONTROL ORGANIZATION AND STRUCTURE

Security controls in the security control catalog (Appendix F) have a well-defined organization and structure. The security controls are organized into *classes* and *families* for ease of use in the control selection and specification process. There are three general classes of security controls (i.e., management, operational, and technical), which correspond to the major sections of a security plan.[13] Each family contains security controls related to the security function of the family. A two-character identifier is assigned to uniquely identify each control family. Table 1 summarizes the classes and families in the security control catalog and the associated family identifiers.

CLASS	FAMILY	IDENTIFIER
Management	Risk Assessment	RA
Management	Planning	PL
Management	System and Services Acquisition	SA
Management	Certification, Accreditation, and Security Assessments	CA
Operational	Personnel Security	PS
Operational	Physical and Environmental Protection	PE
Operational	Contingency Planning	CP
Operational	Configuration Management	CM
Operational	Maintenance	MA
Operational	System and Information Integrity	SI
Operational	Media Protection	MP
Operational	Incident Response	IR
Operational	Awareness and Training	AT
Technical	Identification and Authentication	IA
Technical	Access Control	AC
Technical	Audit and Accountability	AU
Technical	System and Communications Protection	SC

TABLE 1: SECURITY CONTROL CLASSES, FAMILIES, AND IDENTIFIERS

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[13] Security control families in NIST Special Publication 800-53 are associated with one of three security control classes (i.e., management, operational, technical). Families are assigned to their respective classes based on the dominant characteristics of the controls in that family. Many security controls, however, can be logically associated with more than one class. For example, CP-1, the policy and procedures control from the Contingency Planning, family is listed as an operational control but also has characteristics that are consistent with security management as well.

To uniquely identify each control, a numeric identifier is appended to the family identifier to indicate the number of the control within the control family. For example, CP-9 is the ninth control in the Contingency Planning family.

The security control structure consists of three key components: (i) a *control* section; (ii) a *supplemental guidance* section; and (iii) a *control enhancements* section. The following example from the Contingency Planning family illustrates the structure of a typical security control.

CP-9   INFORMATION SYSTEM BACKUP

Control: The organization conducts [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*] backups of user-level and system-level information (including system state information) contained in the information system and stores backup information at an appropriately secured location.

Supplemental Guidance: The frequency of information system backups and the transfer rate of backup information to alternate storage sites (if so designated) are consistent with the organization's recovery time objectives and recovery point objectives.

Control Enhancements:

(1) **The organization tests backup information [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*] to ensure media reliability and information integrity.**

(2) **The organization selectively uses backup information in the restoration of information system functions as part of contingency plan testing.**

(3) **The organization stores backup copies of the operating system and other critical information system software in a separate facility or in a fire-rated container that is not co-located with the operational software.**

The control section provides a concise statement of the specific security capability needed to protect a particular aspect of an information system. The control statement describes specific security-related activities or actions to be carried out by the organization or by the information system. For some controls in the control catalog, a degree of flexibility is provided by allowing organizations to selectively define input values for certain parameters associated with the controls. This flexibility is achieved through the use of *assignment* and *selection* operations within the main body of the control. Assignment and selection operations provide an opportunity for an organization to tailor the security controls to support specific mission, business, or operational needs. For example, an organization can specify how often it intends to conduct information system backups or how frequently it intends to test its contingency plan. Once specified, the organization-defined value becomes part of the control, and the organization is assessed against the completed control statement. Some assignment operations may specify minimum or maximum values that constrain the values that may be input by the organization. Selection statements also narrow the potential input values by providing a specific list of items from which the organization must choose.

The supplemental guidance section provides additional information related to a specific security control. Organizations should consider supplemental guidance when defining, developing, and implementing security controls. Applicable federal legislation, executive orders, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance documents (e.g., OMB Circulars, FIPS, and NIST Special Publications) are listed in the supplemental guidance section, when appropriate, for the particular security control.

The control enhancements section provides statements of security capability to: (i) build in additional, but related, functionality to a basic control; and/or (ii) increase the strength of a basic control. In both cases, the control enhancements are used in an information system requiring greater protection due to the potential impact of loss or when organizations seek additions to a

basic control's functionality based on the results of a risk assessment. Control enhancements are numbered sequentially within each control so the enhancements can be easily identified when selected to supplement the basic control. In the example above, if two of the three control enhancements are selected, the control designation subsequently becomes CP-9 (1) (2).

2.2 COMMON SECURITY CONTROLS

An organization-wide view of an information security program facilitates the identification of *common security controls* that can be applied to one or more organizational information systems. Common security controls can apply to: (i) all organizational information systems; (ii) a group of information systems at a specific site; or (iii) common information systems, subsystems, or applications (i.e., common hardware, software, and/or firmware) deployed at multiple operational sites. Common security controls have the following properties:

- The development, implementation, and assessment of common security controls can be assigned to responsible organizational officials or organizational elements (other than the information system owners whose systems will implement or use the common security controls); and

- The results from the assessment of the common security controls can be used to support the security certification and accreditation processes of organizational information systems where the controls have been applied.[14]

The identification of common security controls is most effectively accomplished as an organization-wide exercise with the involvement of the Chief Information Officer, senior agency information security officer, authorizing officials, information system owners/program managers, and information system security officers. The organization-wide exercise considers the classes of information systems within the organization in accordance with FIPS 199 (i.e., low-impact, moderate-impact, or high-impact systems) and the minimum security controls necessary to protect those systems (see *baseline* security controls in Section 2.3). For example, common security controls can be identified for all low-impact information systems by considering the baseline security controls for that class of information system. Similar exercises can be conducted for moderate-impact and high-impact systems as well.

Many of the security controls needed to protect an information system (e.g., contingency planning controls, incident response controls, security training and awareness controls, personnel security controls, physical and environmental protection controls, and intrusion detection controls) may be excellent candidates for common security control status. By centrally managing the development, implementation, and assessment of the common security controls designated by the organization, security costs can be amortized across multiple information systems. Security controls not designated as common controls are considered *system-specific controls* and are the responsibility of the information system owner. Security plans for individual information systems should clearly identify which security controls have been designated by the organization as common security controls and which controls have been designated as system-specific controls.

Organizations may also assign a *hybrid* status to security controls in situations where one part of the control is deemed to be common, while another part of the control is deemed to be system-specific. For example, an organization may view the IR-1 (Incident Response Policy and Procedures) security control as a hybrid control with the policy portion of the control deemed to be common and the procedures portion of the control deemed to be system-specific. Hybrid

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[14] NIST Special Publication 800-37 provides guidance on security certification and accreditation of information systems.

security controls may also serve as templates for further control refinement. An organization may choose, for example, to implement the CP-2 (Contingency Planning) security control as a master template for a generalized contingency plan for all organizational information systems with individual information system owners tailoring the plan, where appropriate, for system-specific issues.

Information system owners are responsible for any system-specific issues associated with the implementation of an organization's common security controls. These issues are identified and described in the system security plans for the individual information systems. The senior agency information security officer, acting on behalf of the Chief Information Officer, should coordinate with organizational officials (e.g., facilities managers, site managers, personnel managers) responsible for the development and implementation of the designated common security controls to ensure that the required controls are put into place, the controls are assessed, and the assessment results are shared with the appropriate information system owners.

Partitioning security controls into common security controls and system-specific security controls can result in significant savings to the organization in control development and implementation costs. It can also result in a more consistent application of the security controls across the organization at large. Moreover, equally significant savings can be realized in the security certification and accreditation process. Rather than assessing common security controls in every information system, the certification process draws upon any applicable results from the most current assessment of the common security controls performed at the organization level. An organization-wide approach to reuse and sharing of assessment results can greatly enhance the efficiency of the security certifications and accreditations being conducted by organizations and significantly reduce security program costs.

While the concept of security control partitioning into common security controls and system-specific controls is straightforward and intuitive, the application of this principle within an organization takes planning, coordination, and perseverance. If an organization is just beginning to implement this approach or has only partially implemented this approach, it may take some time to get the maximum benefits from security control partitioning and the associated reuse of assessment evidence. Because of the potential dependence on common security controls by many of an organization's information systems, a failure of such common controls may result in a significant increase in agency-level risk—risk that arises from the operation of the systems that depend on these controls.

2.3 SECURITY CONTROL BASELINES

Organizations must employ security controls to meet security requirements defined by laws, executive orders, directives, policies, or regulations (e.g., Federal Information Security Management Act, OMB Circular A-130, Appendix III).[15] The challenge for organizations is to determine the appropriate set of security controls, which if implemented and determined to be effective in their application, would comply with the stated security requirements. Selecting the appropriate set of security controls to meet the specific, and sometimes unique, security requirements of an organization is an important task—a task that demonstrates the organization's

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[15] An information system may require security controls at different layers within the system. For example, an operating system or network component typically provides an identification and authentication capability. An application running on that operating system or network may also provide its own identification and authentication capability rendering an additional level of protection for the overall information system. The selection and specification of security controls should consider components at all layers within the information system.

commitment to security and the due diligence exercised in protecting the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of their information and information systems.

To assist organizations in making the appropriate selection of security controls for their information systems, the concept of *baseline* controls is introduced. Baseline controls are the minimum security controls recommended for an information system based on the system's security categorization in accordance with FIPS 199.[16] Security categories derived from FIPS 199 are typically considered during the risk assessment process to help guide the initial selection of security controls for an information system.[17] The risk assessment process provides useful information and a procedural approach to examining the important factors that ultimately determine which security controls are necessary to protect the organization's operations and assets. The baseline controls associated with the FIPS 199 security categories serve as a *starting point* for organizations in determining the appropriate safeguards and countermeasures necessary to protect their information systems. Because the baselines are intended to be broadly applicable starting points, modifications to the selected baseline may be necessary in order to achieve adequate risk mitigation. Such modifications are tied to the risk assessment and documented in the security plan for the information system.

Appendix D provides a listing of minimum security controls. Three sets of minimum security (baseline) controls have been identified corresponding to the low-impact, moderate-impact, and high-impact levels defined in the security categorization process in FIPS 199 and derived in Section 3.2 below. Each of the three baselines provides a minimum set of security controls (or floor) for a particular impact level associated with a security category. Appendix F provides the complete catalog of security controls for information systems, arranged by control families. The catalog represents the entire set of security controls defined at this time. Chapter 3 provides additional information on how to use security categories to select the appropriate set of baseline security controls.

2.4 SECURITY CONTROL ASSURANCE

Assurance is the grounds for confidence that the security controls implemented within an information system are effective in their application. Assurance can be obtained in a variety of ways including: (i) actions taken by developers and implementers of security controls to use state-of-the-practice design, development, and implementation techniques and methods; and (ii) actions taken by security control assessors during the testing and evaluation process to determine the extent to which the controls are implemented correctly, operating as intended, and producing the desired outcome with respect to meeting the security requirements for the system. Assurance considerations related to developers and implementers of security controls are addressed in this special publication. Assurance considerations related to assessors of security controls (including certification agents, evaluators, auditors, inspectors general) are addressed in NIST Special Publication 800-53A.[18]

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[16] FIPS 199 security categories are based on the potential impact on an organization should certain events occur which jeopardize the information and information systems needed by the organization to accomplish its assigned mission, protect its assets, fulfill its legal responsibilities, maintain its day-to-day functions, and protect individuals.

[17] Security categories are used in conjunction with vulnerability and threat information in assessing the risk to an organization by operating an information system. FIPS 199 defines three levels of potential impact on organizations or individuals should there be a breach of security (i.e., a loss of confidentiality, integrity, or availability). The application of these definitions takes place within the context of each organization and the overall national interest.

[18] Initial public draft of NIST Special Publication 800-53A, *Guide for Assessing the Security Controls in Federal Information Systems*, is projected for publication in the spring 2005.

Appendix E describes the minimum assurance requirements for security controls listed in the low, moderate, and high baselines. For security controls in the low baseline, the emphasis is on the control being in place with the expectation that no obvious errors exist and that, as flaws are discovered, they are addressed in a timely manner. For security controls in the moderate baseline, the emphasis is on ensuring control correctness. While flaws are still likely to be uncovered (and addressed expeditiously), the control developer or control implementer incorporates, as part of the control, specific capabilities to ensure the control meets its function or purpose. For security controls in the high baseline, the emphasis is on requiring within the control, the capabilities that are needed to support ongoing consistent operation of the control and to support continuous improvement in the control's effectiveness. There are additional assurance requirements available to developers and implementers supplementing the minimum assurance requirements for the high baseline in order to protect against threats from highly skilled, highly motivated, and well-financed threat agents. This level of protection is required for those information systems where the organization is not willing to accept the risks associated with the type of threat agents cited above.

2.5 REVISIONS AND EXTENSIONS

The set of security controls listed in the control catalog represents the current state-of-the-practice safeguards and countermeasures for information systems. The security controls will be revised and extended to reflect: (i) the experience gained from using the controls; (ii) the changing security requirements within organizations; and (iii) new security technologies that may be available. The controls populating the various families are expected to change over time, as controls are eliminated or revised and new controls are added. The proposed additions, deletions, or modifications to the catalog of security controls will go through a rigorous, public review process to obtain government and private sector feedback and to build consensus for the changes. The minimum security controls defined in the low, moderate, and high baselines are also expected to change over time as well, as the level of security and due diligence for mitigating risks within organizations increases. A dynamic, flexible, and technically rigorous set of security controls will be maintained in the control catalog to allow organizations and communities of interest to continue to be able to select the appropriate controls for their respective needs in a cost-effective manner.

CHAPTER THREE

THE PROCESS

SELECTION AND SPECIFICATION OF SECURITY CONTROLS

T his chapter describes the process of selecting and specifying security controls for an information system including: (i) the organization's overall approach to managing risk; (ii) the security categorization of the system in accordance with FIPS 199 and the selection of minimum (baseline) security controls; (iii) the activities associated with tailoring the baseline security controls through the application of scoping guidance[19] and the assignment of organization-defined parameters; and (iv) the potential for supplementing the minimum security controls with additional controls, as necessary, to achieve adequate security.

3.1 MANAGING ORGANIZATIONAL RISK

The selection and specification of security controls for an information system is accomplished as part of an organization-wide information security program that involves the management of organizational risk—that is, the risk associated with the operation of an information system. The management of organizational risk is a key element in the organization's information security program and provides an effective framework for selecting the appropriate security controls for an information system—the security controls necessary to protect the operations and assets of the organization. Managing organizational risk includes several important activities: (i) assessing risk; (ii) conducting cost-benefit analyses; (iii) selecting, implementing, and assessing security controls; and (iv) formally authorizing the information system for operation (also known as security accreditation). The risk-based approach to security control selection and specification considers effectiveness, efficiency, and constraints due to applicable laws, directives, executive orders, policies, standards, or regulations. The following activities related to managing organizational risk are paramount to an effective information security program and can be applied to both new and legacy information systems within the context of the System Development Life Cycle and the Federal Enterprise Architecture—

- *Categorize* the information system and the information resident within that system based on a FIPS 199 impact analysis.

- *Select* an initial set of security controls (i.e., baseline) for the information system as a starting point based on the FIPS 199 security categorization.

- *Adjust* (or tailor) the initial set of security controls based on an assessment of risk and local conditions including organization-specific security requirements, specific threat information, cost-benefit analyses, the availability of compensating controls, or special circumstances.[20]

- *Document* the agreed-upon set of security controls in the system security plan including the organization's justification for any refinements or adjustments to the initial set of controls.[21]

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[19] Scoping guidance provides organizations with specific considerations on the applicability and implementation of individual security controls in the control baselines (see Section 3.3).

[20] NIST Special Publication 800-30, *Risk Management Guide for Information Technology Systems*, provides guidance on the assessment of risk.

[21] NIST Special Publication 800-18, *Guide for Developing Security Plans for Information Technology Systems*, provides guidance on documenting information system security controls.

- *Implement* the security controls in the information system. For legacy systems, some or all of the security controls selected may already be in place.

- *Assess* the security controls using appropriate methods and procedures to determine the extent to which the controls are implemented correctly, operating as intended, and producing the desired outcome with respect to meeting the security requirements for the system.[22]

- *Determine* the risk to organizational operations and assets resulting from the planned or continued operation of the information system.

- *Authorize* information system processing (or for legacy systems, authorize continued system processing) if the level of risk to the organization's operations or assets is acceptable.[23]

- *Monitor* and assess selected security controls in the information system on a continuous basis including documenting changes to the system, conducting security impact analyses of the associated changes, and reporting the security status of the system to appropriate organizational officials on a regular basis.

The remainder of this chapter focuses on the first three activities in managing organizational risk—the FIPS 199 security categorization, the initial selection of security controls based on the security categorization, and the tailoring of the initial controls based on the organization's risk assessment.

3.2 SECURITY CATEGORIZATION AND BASELINE SELECTION

FIPS 199, the mandatory federal security categorization standard, is predicated on a simple and well-established concept—determining appropriate priorities for organizational information systems and subsequently applying appropriate measures to adequately protect those systems. The security controls applied to a particular information system should be commensurate with the potential impact on organizational operations, organizational assets, or individuals should there be a breach in security due to the loss of confidentiality, integrity, or availability. FIPS 199 requires organizations to categorize their information systems as low-impact, moderate-impact, or high-impact for the security objectives of confidentiality, integrity, and availability. The potential impact values assigned to the respective security objectives are the highest values (i.e., high water mark) from among the security categories that have been determined for each type of information resident on those information systems.[24] The generalized format for expressing the security category (SC) of an information system is:

$$\text{SC}_{\text{information system}} = \{(\textbf{confidentiality}, \textit{impact}), (\textbf{integrity}, \textit{impact}), (\textbf{availability}, \textit{impact})\},$$

where the acceptable values for potential impact are low, moderate, or high.

Since the potential impact values for confidentiality, integrity, and availability may not always be the same for a particular information system, the high water mark concept is used to determine the impact level of the information system for the express purpose of selecting an initial set of

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[22] NIST Special Publication 800-53A, *Guide for Assessing the Security Controls in Federal Information Systems* (initial public draft projected for publication in the spring 2005), provides guidance for determining the effectiveness of security controls.

[23] NIST Special Publication 800-37, *Guide for the Security Certification and Accreditation of Federal Information Systems*, provides guidance on the security authorization of information systems.

[24] NIST Special Publication 800-60, *Guide for Mapping Types of Information and Information Systems to Security Categories*, provides guidance on the assignment of security categories to information systems.

security controls from one of the three security control baselines.[25] Thus, a *low-impact* system is defined as an information system in which all three of the security objectives are low. A *moderate-impact* system is an information system in which at least one of the security objectives is moderate and no security objective is greater than moderate. And finally, a *high-impact* system is an information system in which at least one security objective is high. Once the overall impact level of the information system is determined, an initial set of security controls can be selected from the corresponding low, moderate, or high baselines listed in Appendix D.

3.3 TAILORING THE INITIAL BASELINE

After the appropriate security control baseline is selected, three additional steps are needed to tailor the baseline for a specific organizational information system: (i) the application of *scoping guidance* to the initial baseline; (ii) the specification of *organization-defined parameters* in the security controls, where appropriate; and (iii) the specification of *compensating security controls*, if needed. To ensure a cost-effective, risk-based approach to achieving adequate information security organization-wide, tailoring activities should be coordinated with appropriate officials (e.g., senior agency information security officers, authorizing officials). The resulting set of security controls is documented in the security plan for the information system.

Scoping Guidance

Scoping guidance provides organizations with specific considerations on the applicability and implementation of individual security controls in the control baselines. There are several considerations that can potentially impact how the baseline controls are applied: (i) technology-related considerations; (ii) infrastructure-related considerations; (iii) public access-related considerations; (iv) scalability-related considerations; (v) common security control-related considerations; and (vi) risk-related considerations.

Technology-related considerations—

- Security controls that refer to specific technologies (e.g., wireless, cryptography, public key infrastructure) are only applicable if those technologies are employed or are required to be employed within the information system.

- Security controls are only applicable to the components of the information system that typically provide or support the security capability addressed by the control.[26] For information system components that are single-user, not networked, or only locally networked, one or more of these characteristics may provide appropriate rationale for not applying selected controls to that component.

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[25] The high water mark concept is employed because there are significant dependencies among the security objectives of confidentiality, integrity, and availability. In most cases, a compromise in one security objective ultimately affects the other security objectives as well. Accordingly, the security controls in the control catalog are not categorized by security objective—rather, they are grouped into baselines to provide a general protection capability for classes of information systems based on impact level. The application of scoping guidance may allow selective security control baseline adjustments or tailoring (see Section 3.3).

[26] For example, auditing controls would typically be applied to the components of an information system that provide or should provide auditing capability (servers, etc.) and would not necessarily be applied to every user-level workstation within the organization. Access control mechanisms would not typically be applied to such devices as personal digital assistants, facsimile machines, printers, pagers, cellular telephones, or other components of an information system that provide limited functionality. Organizations should, however, carefully assess the inventory of components that comprise their information systems to determine which security controls are applicable to the various components. As technology advances, increased functionality may be present in such devices as personal digital assistants and cellular telephones, which may require the application of security controls in accordance with an organizational assessment of risk.

- Security controls and control enhancements that can be either explicitly or implicitly supported by automated mechanisms, do not require the development of such mechanisms if the mechanisms do not already exist or are not readily available in commercial or government off-the-shelf products. In situations where automated mechanisms are not readily available, cost-effective, or technically feasible, compensating security controls, implemented through non-automated mechanisms or procedures may be used to satisfy specified security controls or control enhancements (see discussion on compensating security controls below).

Infrastructure-related considerations—

- Security controls that refer to organizational facilities (e.g., physical controls such as locks and guards, environmental controls for temperature, humidity, lighting, fire, and power) are applicable only to those sections of the facilities that directly provide protection to, support, or are related to the information system (including its information technology assets such as electronic mail or web servers, server farms, data centers, networking nodes, controlled interface equipment, and communications equipment) under consideration.

Public access-related considerations—

- Security controls associated with public access information systems should be carefully considered and applied with discretion since some security controls from the specified control baselines (e.g., identification and authentication, personnel security controls) may not be applicable to users accessing information systems through public interfaces. For example, while the baseline controls sets require identification and authentication of agency personnel that maintain and support information systems that provide the public access services, the same controls might not be required for users accessing those information systems through public interfaces to obtain publicly available information. On the other hand, identification and authentication would be required for users accessing information systems through public interfaces to access/change their private/personal information.

Scalability-related considerations—

- Security controls are scalable either by the size of the particular organization implementing the controls or the FIPS 199 security categorization of the information system being protected, or both. The following examples take both scalability factors into consideration. A contingency plan for a large organization with a FIPS 199 moderate-impact or high-impact information system may be quite lengthy and contain a significant amount of implementation detail. In contrast, a contingency plan for a smaller organization with a FIPS 199 low-impact information system may be considerably shorter and contain much less implementation detail. Organizations should use discretion in scaling the security controls to the particular environment of use to ensure a cost-effective, risk-based approach to security control implementation.

Common security control-related considerations—

- Security controls designated by the organization as common controls are managed by an organizational entity other than the information system owner. Organizational decisions on which security controls are viewed as common controls may greatly affect the responsibilities of individual information system owners with regard to the implementation of controls in a particular baseline. Decisions on common control designations will not, however, affect the organization's responsibility in providing the security controls included in the baseline. Every control in a baseline must be addressed either by the organization or the information system owner.

Risk-related considerations—

- Security controls that uniquely support the confidentiality, integrity, or availability security objectives may be downgraded to the corresponding control in a lower baseline (or appropriately modified or eliminated if not defined in a lower baseline) if, and only if the downgrading action: (i) is consistent with the FIPS 199 security categorization for the corresponding security objectives of confidentiality, integrity, or availability before moving to the high water mark;[27] (ii) is supported by an organizational assessment of risk; and (iii) does not affect the security-relevant information within the information system.[28] The following security controls are potential candidates for downgrading: (i) for confidentiality [AC-15, MA-3 (3), MP-3, MP-6, PE-5, SC-4, SC-9]; (ii) for integrity [SC-8]; and (iii) for availability [CP-2, CP-3, CP-4, CP-6, CP-7, CP-8, MA-6, PE-9, PE-10, PE-13, PE-15, SC-6].[29]

Organization-Defined Security Control Parameters

Security controls containing organization-defined parameters (i.e., assignment and/or selection operations) give organizations the flexibility to define selected portions of the controls to support specific organizational requirements or objectives. After the application of the scoping guidance, organizations should review the list of security controls for assignment and selection operations and provide appropriate organization-defined values for the identified parameters. Where specified, minimum and maximum values for organization-defined parameters should be adhered to unless more restrictive values are prescribed by applicable laws, directives, executive orders, policies, standards, or regulations or are indicated by the risk assessment in order to adequately mitigate risk.

Compensating Security Controls

With the diverse nature of today's information systems, organizations may find it necessary, on occasion, to specify and employ compensating security controls. A compensating security control is a management, operational, or technical control (i.e., safeguard or countermeasure) employed by an organization in lieu of a recommended control in the low, moderate, or high baselines described in NIST Special Publication 800-53, which provides equivalent or comparable protection for an information system.[30] A compensating control for an information system may be employed by an organization only under the following conditions: (i) the

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[27] When applying the "high water mark" process in Section 3.2, some of the original FIPS 199 confidentiality, integrity, or availability security objectives may have been upgraded to a higher baseline of security controls. As part of this process, security controls that uniquely support the confidentiality, integrity, or availability security objectives may have been upgraded unnecessarily. Consequently, it is recommended that organizations consider appropriate and allowable downgrading actions to ensure cost-effective, risk-based application of security controls.

[28] Information that is security-relevant at the system level (e.g., password files, network routing tables, cryptographic key management information) is distinguished from user-level information within an information system. Certain security controls within an information system are used to support the security objectives of confidentiality and integrity for both user-level and system-level information. Caution should be exercised in downgrading confidentiality or integrity-related security controls to ensure that the downgrading action does not affect the security-relevant information within the information system.

[29] Certain security controls that are uniquely attributable to confidentiality, integrity, or availability that would ordinarily be considered as potential candidates for downgrading (e.g., AC-16, AU-10, CP-5, IA-7, MP-7, PE-12, PE-14, PL-5, SC-5, SC-13, SC-14, SC-16) are eliminated from consideration because the controls are either selected for use in all baselines and have no enhancements that could be downgraded or the controls are optional and not selected for use in any baseline.

[30] For example, an organization with significant staff limitations may have difficulty in meeting the separation of duty security control but may employ compensating controls by strengthening the audit and accountability controls and personnel security controls within the information system.

organization selects the compensating control from the security control catalog in NIST Special Publication 800-53; (ii) the organization provides a complete and convincing rationale and justification for how the compensating control provides an equivalent security capability or level of protection for the information system; and (iii) the organization assesses and formally accepts the risk associated with employing the compensating control in the information system. The use of compensating security controls should be reviewed, documented in the system security plan, and approved by the authorizing official for the information system.

3.4 SUPPLEMENTING THE INITIAL BASELINE

The security control baselines listed in Appendix D should be viewed as foundations or starting points in the selection of adequate security controls for information systems. The baselines represent, for classes of information systems (derived from FIPS 199 security categorizations), the minimum level of *due diligence* demonstrated by an organization toward the protection of its operations and assets. As described in Section 3.1, the final determination of the appropriate set of security controls necessary to provide adequate security is a function of the organization's assessment of risk. In many cases, additional or enhanced security controls will be needed to address specific threats to and vulnerabilities in the information system or to satisfy the requirements of applicable laws, directives, executive orders, policies, standards, or regulations. Organizations are encouraged to make maximum use of the security control catalog to facilitate the process of enhancing security controls or adding controls to the current baselines. The techniques and methodologies used by organizations in supplementing the security control baselines are beyond the scope of this special publication.

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APPENDIX B

GLOSSARY

COMMON TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

Appendix B provides definitions for security terminology used within Special Publication 800-53. Unless specifically defined in this glossary, all terms used in this publication are consistent with the definitions contained in CNSS Instruction 4009, *National Information Assurance Glossary*.

Accreditation [NIST SP 800-37]	The official management decision given by a senior agency official to authorize operation of an information system and to explicitly accept the risk to agency operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), agency assets, or individuals, based on the implementation of an agreed-upon set of security controls.
Accreditation Boundary [NIST SP 800-37]	All components of an information system to be accredited by an authorizing official and excludes separately accredited systems, to which the information system is connected. Synonymous with the term security perimeter defined in CNSS Instruction 4009 and DCID 6/3.
Accrediting Authority	See Authorizing Official.
Adequate Security [OMB Circular A-130, Appendix III]	Security commensurate with the risk and the magnitude of harm resulting from the loss, misuse, or unauthorized access to or modification of information.
Agency	See Executive Agency.
Authentication	Verifying the identity of a user, process, or device, often as a prerequisite to allowing access to resources in an information system.
Authenticity	The property of being genuine and being able to be verified and trusted; confidence in the validity of a transmission, a message, or message originator. See authentication.
Authorize Processing	See Accreditation.
Authorizing Official [NIST SP 800-37]	Official with the authority to formally assume responsibility for operating an information system at an acceptable level of risk to agency operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), agency assets, or individuals.
Availability [44 U.S.C., Sec. 3542]	Ensuring timely and reliable access to and use of information.

Certification [NIST SP 800-37]	A comprehensive assessment of the management, operational, and technical security controls in an information system, made in support of security accreditation, to determine the extent to which the controls are implemented correctly, operating as intended, and producing the desired outcome with respect to meeting the security requirements for the system.
Certification Agent [NIST SP 800-37]	The individual, group, or organization responsible for conducting a security certification.
Chief Information Officer [44 U.S.C., Sec. 5125(b)]	Agency official responsible for: (i) Providing advice and other assistance to the head of the executive agency and other senior management personnel of the agency to ensure that information technology is acquired and information resources are managed in a manner that is consistent with laws, executive orders, directives, policies, regulations, and priorities established by the head of the agency; (ii) Developing, maintaining, and facilitating the implementation of a sound and integrated information technology architecture for the agency; and (iii) Promoting the effective and efficient design and operation of all major information resources management processes for the agency, including improvements to work processes of the agency.
Common Security Control [NIST SP 800-37]	Security control that can be applied to one or more agency information systems and has the following properties: (i) the development, implementation, and assessment of the control can be assigned to a responsible official or organizational element (other than the information system owner); and (ii) the results from the assessment of the control can be used to support the security certification and accreditation processes of an agency information system where that control has been applied.
Compensating Security Controls	The management, operational, and technical controls (i.e., safeguards or countermeasures) employed by an organization in lieu of the recommended controls in the low, moderate, or high baselines described in NIST Special Publication 800-53, that provide equivalent or comparable protection for an information system.
Confidentiality [44 U.S.C., Sec. 3542]	Preserving authorized restrictions on information access and disclosure, including means for protecting personal privacy and proprietary information.
Configuration Control [CNSS Inst. 4009]	Process for controlling modifications to hardware, firmware, software, and documentation to ensure the information system is protected against improper modifications before, during, and after system implementation.
Countermeasures [CNSS Inst. 4009]	Actions, devices, procedures, techniques, or other measures that reduce the vulnerability of an information system. Synonymous with security controls and safeguards.

Controlled Interface [CNSS Inst. 4009]	Mechanism that facilitates the adjudication of different interconnected system security policies (e.g., controlling the flow of information into or out of an interconnected system).
Executive Agency [41 U.S.C., Sec. 403]	An executive department specified in 5 U.S.C., Sec. 101; a military department specified in 5 U.S.C., Sec. 102; an independent establishment as defined in 5 U.S.C., Sec. 104(1); and a wholly owned Government corporation fully subject to the provisions of 31 U.S.C., Chapter 91.
Federal Enterprise Architecture [FEA Program Management Office]	A business-based framework for government-wide improvement developed by the Office of Management and Budget that is intended to facilitate efforts to transform the federal government to one that is citizen-centered, results-oriented, and market-based.
Federal Information System [40 U.S.C., Sec. 11331]	An information system used or operated by an executive agency, by a contractor of an executive agency, or by another organization on behalf of an executive agency.
General Support System [OMB Circular A-130, Appendix III]	An interconnected set of information resources under the same direct management control that shares common functionality. It normally includes hardware, software, information, data, applications, communications, and people.
High-Impact System	An information system in which at least one security objective (i.e., confidentiality, integrity, or availability) is assigned a FIPS 199 potential impact value of high.
Information Owner [CNSS Inst. 4009]	Official with statutory or operational authority for specified information and responsibility for establishing the controls for its generation, collection, processing, dissemination, and disposal.
Information Resources [44 U.S.C., Sec. 3502]	Information and related resources, such as personnel, equipment, funds, and information technology.
Information Security [44 U.S.C., Sec. 3542]	The protection of information and information systems from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction in order to provide confidentiality, integrity, and availability.
Information Security Policy [CNSS Inst. 4009]	Aggregate of directives, regulations, rules, and practices that prescribes how an organization manages, protects, and distributes information.
Information System [44 U.S.C., Sec. 3502] [OMB Circular A-130, Appendix III]	A discrete set of information resources organized for the collection, processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination, or disposition of information.
Information System Owner (or Program Manager) [CNSS Inst. 4009, Adapted]	Official responsible for the overall procurement, development, integration, modification, or operation and maintenance of an information system.

Information System Security Officer [CNSS Inst. 4009, Adapted]	Individual assigned responsibility by the senior agency information security officer, authorizing official, management official, or information system owner for ensuring the appropriate operational security posture is maintained for an information system or program.
Information Technology [40 U.S.C., Sec. 1401]	Any equipment or interconnected system or subsystem of equipment that is used in the automatic acquisition, storage, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data or information by the executive agency. For purposes of the preceding sentence, equipment is used by an executive agency if the equipment is used by the executive agency directly or is used by a contractor under a contract with the executive agency which: (i) requires the use of such equipment; or (ii) requires the use, to a significant extent, of such equipment in the performance of a service or the furnishing of a product. The term information technology includes computers, ancillary equipment, software, firmware, and similar procedures, services (including support services), and related resources.
Information Type [FIPS 199]	A specific category of information (e.g., privacy, medical, proprietary, financial, investigative, contractor sensitive, security management) defined by an organization or in some instances, by a specific law, executive order, directive, policy, or regulation.
Integrity [44 U.S.C., Sec. 3542]	Guarding against improper information modification or destruction, and includes ensuring information non-repudiation and authenticity.
Label	See Security Label.
Low-Impact System	An information system in which all three security objectives (i.e., confidentiality, integrity, and availability) are assigned a FIPS 199 potential impact value of low.
Major Application [OMB Circular A-130, Appendix III]	An application that requires special attention to security due to the risk and magnitude of harm resulting from the loss, misuse, or unauthorized access to or modification of the information in the application. Note: All federal applications require some level of protection. Certain applications, because of the information in them, however, require special management oversight and should be treated as major. Adequate security for other applications should be provided by security of the systems in which they operate.
Major Information System [OMB Circular A-130]	An information system that requires special management attention because of its importance to an agency mission; its high development, operating, or maintenance costs; or its significant role in the administration of agency programs, finances, property, or other resources.

Management Controls [NIST SP 800-18]	The security controls (i.e., safeguards or countermeasures) for an information system that focus on the management of risk and the management of information system security.
Media Access Control Address	A hardware address that uniquely identifies each component of an IEEE 802-based network. On networks that do not conform to the IEEE 802 standards but do conform to the OSI Reference Model, the node address is called the Data Link Control (DLC) address.
Mobile Code	Software programs or parts of programs obtained from remote information systems, transmitted across a network, and executed on a local information system without explicit installation or execution by the recipient.
Mobile Code Technologies	Software technologies that provide the mechanisms for the production and use of mobile code (e.g., Java, JavaScript, ActiveX, VBScript).
Moderate-Impact System	An information system in which at least one security objective (i.e., confidentiality, integrity, or availability) is assigned a FIPS 199 potential impact value of moderate and no security objective is assigned a FIPS 199 potential impact value of high.
National Security Emergency Preparedness Telecommunications Services [47 C.F.R., Part 64, App A]	Telecommunications services that are used to maintain a state of readiness or to respond to and manage any event or crisis (local, national, or international) that causes or could cause injury or harm to the population, damage to or loss of property, or degrade or threaten the national security or emergency preparedness posture of the United States.
National Security Information	Information that has been determined pursuant to Executive Order 12958 as amended by Executive Order 13292, or any predecessor order, or by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, to require protection against unauthorized disclosure and is marked to indicate its classified status.
National Security System [44 U.S.C., Sec. 3542]	Any information system (including any telecommunications system) used or operated by an agency or by a contractor of an agency, or other organization on behalf of an agency— (i) the function, operation, or use of which involves intelligence activities; involves cryptologic activities related to national security; involves command and control of military forces; involves equipment that is an integral part of a weapon or weapons system; or is critical to the direct fulfillment of military or intelligence missions (excluding a system that is to be used for routine administrative and business applications, for example, payroll, finance, logistics, and personnel management applications); or (ii) is protected at all times by procedures established for information that have been specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive Order or an Act of Congress to be kept classified in the interest of national defense or foreign policy.

Non-repudiation [CNSS Inst. 4009]	Assurance that the sender of information is provided with proof of delivery and the recipient is provided with proof of the sender's identity, so neither can later deny having processed the information.
Operational Controls [NIST SP 800-18]	The security controls (i.e., safeguards or countermeasures) for an information system that primarily are implemented and executed by people (as opposed to systems).
Plan of Action and Milestones [OMB Memorandum 02-01]	A document that identifies tasks needing to be accomplished. It details resources required to accomplish the elements of the plan, any milestones in meeting the tasks, and scheduled completion dates for the milestones.
Potential Impact [FIPS 199]	The loss of confidentiality, integrity, or availability could be expected to have: (i) a *limited* adverse effect (FIPS 199 low); (ii) a *serious* adverse effect (FIPS 199 moderate); or (iii) a *severe* or *catastrophic* adverse effect (FIPS 199 high) on organizational operations, organizational assets, or individuals.
Privacy Impact Assessment [OMB Memorandum 03-22]	An analysis of how information is handled: (i) to ensure handling conforms to applicable legal, regulatory, and policy requirements regarding privacy; (ii) to determine the risks and effects of collecting, maintaining, and disseminating information in identifiable form in an electronic information system; and (iii) to examine and evaluate protections and alternative processes for handling information to mitigate potential privacy risks.
Protective Distribution System	Wire line or fiber optic system that includes adequate safeguards and/or countermeasures (e.g., acoustic, electric, electromagnetic, and physical) to permit its use for the transmission of unencrypted information.
Records	The recordings of evidence of activities performed or results achieved (e.g., forms, reports, test results), which serve as a basis for verifying that the organization and the information system are performing as intended. Also used to refer to units of related data fields (i.e., groups of data fields that can be accessed by a program and that contain the complete set of information on particular items).
Remote Access	Access by users (or information systems) communicating external to an information system security perimeter.
Remote Maintenance	Maintenance activities conducted by individuals communicating external to an information system security perimeter.
Risk [NIST SP 800-30]	The level of impact on agency operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), agency assets, or individuals resulting from the operation of an information system given the potential impact of a threat and the likelihood of that threat occurring.

Risk Assessment [NIST SP 800-30]	The process of identifying risks to agency operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), agency assets, or individuals by determining the probability of occurrence, the resulting impact, and additional security controls that would mitigate this impact. Part of risk management, synonymous with risk analysis, and incorporates threat and vulnerability analyses.
Risk Management [NIST SP 800-30]	The process of managing risks to agency operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), agency assets, or individuals resulting from the operation of an information system. It includes risk assessment; cost-benefit analysis; the selection, implementation, and assessment of security controls; and the formal authorization to operate the system. The process considers effectiveness, efficiency, and constraints due to laws, directives, policies, or regulations.
Safeguards [CNSS Inst. 4009, Adapted]	Protective measures prescribed to meet the security requirements (i.e., confidentiality, integrity, and availability) specified for an information system. Safeguards may include security features, management constraints, personnel security, and security of physical structures, areas, and devices. Synonymous with security controls and countermeasures.
Sanitization [CNSS Inst. 4009, Adapted]	Process to remove information from media such that information recovery is not possible. It includes removing all labels, markings, and activity logs.
Scoping Guidance	Provides organizations with specific technology-related, infrastructure-related, public access-related, scalability-related, common security control-related, and risk-related considerations on the applicability and implementation of individual security controls in the control baseline.
Security Category [FIPS 199]	The characterization of information or an information system based on an assessment of the potential impact that a loss of confidentiality, integrity, or availability of such information or information system would have on organizational operations, organizational assets, or individuals.
Security Controls [FIPS 199]	The management, operational, and technical controls (i.e., safeguards or countermeasures) prescribed for an information system to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the system and its information.
Security Control Baseline	The set of minimum security controls defined for a low-impact, moderate-impact, or high-impact information system.
Security Control Enhancements	Statements of security capability to: (i) build in additional, but related, functionality to a basic control; and/or (ii) increase the strength of a basic control.

Security Impact Analysis [NIST SP 800-37]	The analysis conducted by an agency official, often during the continuous monitoring phase of the security certification and accreditation process, to determine the extent to which changes to the information system have affected the security posture of the system.
Security Label	Explicit or implicit marking of a data structure or output media associated with an information system representing the FIPS 199 security category, or distribution limitations or handling caveats of the information contained therein.
Security Objective	Confidentiality, integrity, or availability.
Security Perimeter	See Accreditation Boundary.
Security Plan	See System Security Plan.
Security Requirements	Requirements levied on an information system that are derived from laws, executive orders, directives, policies, instructions, regulations, or organizational (mission) needs to ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the information being processed, stored, or transmitted.
Senior Agency Information Security Officer [44 U.S.C., Sec. 3544]	Official responsible for carrying out the Chief Information Officer responsibilities under FISMA and serving as the Chief Information Officer's primary liaison to the agency's authorizing officials, information system owners, and information system security officers.
Spyware	Software that is secretly or surreptitiously installed into an information system to gather information on individuals or organizations without their knowledge.
Subsystem	A major subdivision or component of an information system consisting of information, information technology, and personnel that performs one or more specific functions.
System	See Information System.
System-specific Security Control [NIST SP 800-37]	A security control for an information system that has not been designated as a common security control.
System Security Plan [NIST SP 800-18]	Formal document that provides an overview of the security requirements for the information system and describes the security controls in place or planned for meeting those requirements.
Technical Controls [NIST SP 800-18]	The security controls (i.e., safeguards or countermeasures) for an information system that are primarily implemented and executed by the information system through mechanisms contained in the hardware, software, or firmware components of the system.

Threat [CNSS Inst. 4009, Adapted]	Any circumstance or event with the potential to adversely impact agency operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), agency assets, or individuals through an information system via unauthorized access, destruction, disclosure, modification of information, and/or denial of service.
Threat Agent/Source [NIST SP 800-30]	Either: (i) intent and method targeted at the intentional exploitation of a vulnerability; or (ii) a situation and method that may accidentally trigger a vulnerability.
Threat Assessment [CNSS Inst. 4009]	Formal description and evaluation of threat to an information system.
Trusted Path	A mechanism by which a user (through an input device) can communicate directly with the security functions of the information system with the necessary confidence to support the system security policy. This mechanism can only be activated by the user or the security functions of the information system and cannot be imitated by untrusted software.
User [CNSS Inst. 4009]	Individual or (system) process authorized to access an information system.
Vulnerability [CNSS Inst. 4009, Adapted]	Weakness in an information system, system security procedures, internal controls, or implementation that could be exploited or triggered by a threat source.
Vulnerability Assessment [CNSS Inst. 4009]	Formal description and evaluation of the vulnerabilities in an information system.

APPENDIX C

ACRONYMS

COMMON ABBREVIATIONS

CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CIO	Chief Information Officer
CNSS	Committee for National Security Systems
COTS	Commercial Off-The-Shelf
DCID	Director of Central Intelligence Directive
FEA	Federal Enterprise Architecture
FIPS	Federal Information Processing Standard(s)
FISMA	Federal Information Security Management Act
GOTS	Government Off-The-Shelf
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
IPv6	Internet Protocol Version 6
MAC	Media Access Control
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
NSA	National Security Agency
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
TCP/IP	Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
USC	United States Code
VPN	Virtual Private Network
VOIP	Voice Over Internet Protocol

MINIMUM SECURITY CONTROLS – SUMMARY

LOW-IMPACT, MODERATE-IMPACT, AND HIGH-IMPACT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

T he following table lists the minimum security controls, or security control baselines, for low-impact, moderate-impact, and high-impact information systems. If a security control is selected for one of the baselines, the family identifier and control number are listed in the appropriate column. If a control is not used in a particular baseline, the entry is marked "not selected." Control enhancements, when used to supplement basic security controls, are indicated by the number of the control enhancement. For example, an "IR-2 (1) (2)" in the high baseline entry for the IR-2 security control indicates that the second control from the Incident Response family has been selected along with control enhancements (1) and (2). Some security controls and control enhancements in the security control catalog are not used in any of the baselines but are available for optional use by organizations when indicated based on the results of a risk assessment. A complete description of security controls, supplemental guidance for the controls, and control enhancements is provided in Appendix F. A detailed listing of security controls and control enhancements for each control baseline is available at: http://csrc.nist.gov/sec-cert.

CNTL NO.	CONTROL NAME	CONTROL BASELINES		
		LOW	MOD	HIGH
Access Control				
AC-1	Access Control Policy and Procedures	AC-1	AC-1	AC-1
AC-2	Account Management	AC-2	AC-2 (1) (2) (3)	AC-2 (1) (2) (3) (4)
AC-3	Access Enforcement	AC-3	AC-3 (1)	AC-3 (1)
AC-4	Information Flow Enforcement	Not Selected	AC-4	AC-4
AC-5	Separation of Duties	Not Selected	AC-5	AC-5
AC-6	Least Privilege	Not Selected	AC-6	AC-6
AC-7	Unsuccessful Login Attempts	AC-7	AC-7	AC-7
AC-8	System Use Notification	AC-8	AC-8	AC-8
AC-9	Previous Logon Notification	Not Selected	Not Selected	Not Selected
AC-10	Concurrent Session Control	Not Selected	Not Selected	AC-10
AC-11	Session Lock	Not Selected	AC-11	AC-11
AC-12	Session Termination	Not Selected	AC-12	AC-12
AC-13	Supervision and Review—Access Control	AC-13	AC-13	AC-13 (1)
AC-14	Permitted Actions w/o Identification or Authentication	AC-14	AC-14 (1)	AC-14 (1)
AC-15	Automated Marking	Not Selected	Not Selected	AC-15
AC-16	Automated Labeling	Not Selected	Not Selected	Not Selected
AC-17	Remote Access	AC-17	AC-17 (1) (2) (3)	AC-17 (1) (2) (3)
AC-18	Wireless Access Restrictions	Not Selected	AC-18 (1)	AC-18 (1)
AC-19	Access Control for Portable and Mobile Systems	Not Selected	AC-19	AC-19 (1)
AC-20	Personally Owned Information Systems	AC-20	AC-20	AC-20
Awareness and Training				
AT-1	Security Awareness and Training Policy and Procedures	AT-1	AT-1	AT-1
AT-2	Security Awareness	AT-2	AT-2	AT-2
AT-3	Security Training	AT-3	AT-3	AT-3
AT-4	Security Training Records	AT-4	AT-4	AT-4
Audit and Accountability				
AU-1	Audit and Accountability Policy and Procedures	AU-1	AU-1	AU-1
AU-2	Auditable Events	AU-2	AU-2	AU-2
AU-3	Content of Audit Records	AU-3	AU-3 (1)	AU-3 (1) (2)
AU-4	Audit Storage Capacity	AU-4	AU-4	AU-4
AU-5	Audit Processing	AU-5	AU-5	AU-5 (1)
AU-6	Audit Monitoring, Analysis, and Reporting	Not Selected	AU-6	AU-6 (1)
AU-7	Audit Reduction and Report Generation	Not Selected	AU-7	AU-7 (1)
AU-8	Time Stamps	Not Selected	AU-8	AU-8
AU-9	Protection of Audit Information	AU-9	AU-9	AU-9

CNTL NO.	CONTROL NAME	CONTROL BASELINES		
		LOW	MOD	HIGH
AU-10	Non-repudiation	Not Selected	Not Selected	Not Selected
AU-11	Audit Retention	AU-11	AU-11	AU-11
Certification, Accreditation, and Security Assessments				
CA-1	Certification, Accreditation, and Security Assessment Policies and Procedures	CA-1	CA-1	CA-1
CA-2	Security Assessments	Not Selected	CA-2	CA-2
CA-3	Information System Connections	CA-3	CA-3	CA-3
CA-4	Security Certification	CA-4	CA-4	CA-4
CA-5	Plan of Action and Milestones	CA-5	CA-5	CA-5
CA-6	Security Accreditation	CA-6	CA-6	CA-6
CA-7	Continuous Monitoring	CA-7	CA-7	CA-7
Configuration Management				
CM-1	Configuration Management Policy and Procedures	CM-1	CM-1	CM-1
CM-2	Baseline Configuration	CM-2	CM-2 (1)	CM-2 (1) (2)
CM-3	Configuration Change Control	Not Selected	CM-3	CM-3 (1)
CM-4	Monitoring Configuration Changes	Not Selected	CM-4	CM-4
CM-5	Access Restrictions for Change	Not Selected	CM-5	CM-5 (1)
CM-6	Configuration Settings	CM-6	CM-6	CM-6 (1)
CM-7	Least Functionality	Not Selected	CM-7	CM-7 (1)
Contingency Planning				
CP-1	Contingency Planning Policy and Procedures	CP-1	CP-1	CP-1
CP-2	Contingency Plan	CP-2	CP-2 (1)	CP-2 (1)
CP-3	Contingency Training	Not Selected	CP-3	CP-3 (1)
CP-4	Contingency Plan Testing	Not Selected	CP-4 (1)	CP-4 (1) (2)
CP-5	Contingency Plan Update	CP-5	CP-5	CP-5
CP-6	Alternate Storage Sites	Not Selected	CP-6 (1)	CP-6 (1) (2) (3)
CP-7	Alternate Processing Sites	Not Selected	CP-7 (1) (2) (3)	CP-7 (1) (2) (3) (4)
CP-8	Telecommunications Services	Not Selected	CP-8 (1) (2)	CP-8 (1) (2) (3) (4)
CP-9	Information System Backup	CP-9	CP-9 (1)	CP-9 (1) (2) (3)
CP-10	Information System Recovery and Reconstitution	CP-10	CP-10	CP-10 (1)
Identification and Authentication				
IA-1	Identification and Authentication Policy and Procedures	IA-1	IA-1	IA-1
IA-2	User Identification and Authentication	IA-2	IA-2	IA-2 (1)
IA-3	Device Identification and Authentication	Not Selected	IA-3	IA-3
IA-4	Identifier Management	IA-4	IA-4	IA-4
IA-5	Authenticator Management	IA-5	IA-5	IA-5
IA-6	Authenticator Feedback	IA-6	IA-6	IA-6

CNTL NO.	CONTROL NAME	CONTROL BASELINES		
		LOW	MOD	HIGH
IA-7	Cryptographic Module Authentication	IA-7	IA-7	IA-7
Incident Response				
IR-1	Incident Response Policy and Procedures	IR-1	IR-1	IR-1
IR-2	Incident Response Training	Not Selected	IR-2	IR-2 (1) (2)
IR-3	Incident Response Testing	Not Selected	IR-3	IR-3 (1)
IR-4	Incident Handling	IR-4	IR-4 (1)	IR-4 (1)
IR-5	Incident Monitoring	Not Selected	IR-5	IR-5 (1)
IR-6	Incident Reporting	IR-6	IR-6 (1)	IR-6 (1)
IR-7	Incident Response Assistance	IR-7	IR-7 (1)	IR-7 (1)
Maintenance				
MA-1	System Maintenance Policy and Procedures	MA-1	MA-1	MA-1
MA-2	Periodic Maintenance	MA-2	MA-2 (1)	MA-2 (1) (2)
MA-3	Maintenance Tools	Not Selected	MA-3	MA-3 (1) (2) (3)
MA-4	Remote Maintenance	MA-4	MA-4	MA-4 (1) (2) (3)
MA-5	Maintenance Personnel	MA-5	MA-5	MA-5
MA-6	Timely Maintenance	Not Selected	MA-6	MA-6
Media Protection				
MP-1	Media Protection Policy and Procedures	MP-1	MP-1	MP-1
MP-2	Media Access	MP-2	MP-2	MP-2 (1)
MP-3	Media Labeling	Not Selected	MP-3	MP-3
MP-4	Media Storage	Not Selected	MP-4	MP-4
MP-5	Media Transport	Not Selected	MP-5	MP-5
MP-6	Media Sanitization	Not Selected	MP-6	MP-6
MP-7	Media Destruction and Disposal	MP-7	MP-7	MP-7
Physical and Environmental Protection				
PE-1	Physical and Environmental Protection Policy and Procedures	PE-1	PE-1	PE-1
PE-2	Physical Access Authorizations	PE-2	PE-2	PE-2
PE-3	Physical Access Control	PE-3	PE-3	PE-3
PE-4	Access Control for Transmission Medium	Not Selected	Not Selected	Not Selected
PE-5	Access Control for Display Medium	Not Selected	PE-5	PE-5
PE-6	Monitoring Physical Access	PE-6	PE-6 (1)	PE-6 (1) (2)
PE-7	Visitor Control	PE-7	PE-7 (1)	PE-7 (1)
PE-8	Access Logs	PE-8	PE-8 (1)	PE-8 (1)
PE-9	Power Equipment and Power Cabling	Not Selected	PE-9	PE-9
PE-10	Emergency Shutoff	Not Selected	PE-10	PE-10
PE-11	Emergency Power	Not Selected	PE-11	PE-11 (1)
PE-12	Emergency Lighting	PE-12	PE-12	PE-12
PE-13	Fire Protection	PE-13	PE-13 (1)	PE-13 (1) (2)

CNTL NO.	CONTROL NAME	CONTROL BASELINES		
		LOW	MOD	HIGH
PE-14	Temperature and Humidity Controls	PE-14	PE-14	PE-14
PE-15	Water Damage Protection	PE-15	PE-15	PE-15 (1)
PE-16	Delivery and Removal	PE-16	PE-16	PE-16
PE-17	Alternate Work Site	Not Selected	PE-17	PE-17
Planning				
PL-1	Security Planning Policy and Procedures	PL-1	PL-1	PL-1
PL-2	System Security Plan	PL-2	PL-2	PL-2
PL-3	System Security Plan Update	PL-3	PL-3	PL-3
PL-4	Rules of Behavior	PL-4	PL-4	PL-4
PL-5	Privacy Impact Assessment	PL-5	PL-5	PL-5
Personnel Security				
PS-1	Personnel Security Policy and Procedures	PS-1	PS-1	PS-1
PS-2	Position Categorization	PS-2	PS-2	PS-2
PS-3	Personnel Screening	PS-3	PS-3	PS-3
PS-4	Personnel Termination	PS-4	PS-4	PS-4
PS-5	Personnel Transfer	PS-5	PS-5	PS-5
PS-6	Access Agreements	PS-6	PS-6	PS-6
PS-7	Third-Party Personnel Security	PS-7	PS-7	PS-7
PS-8	Personnel Sanctions	PS-8	PS-8	PS-8
Risk Assessment				
RA-1	Risk Assessment Policy and Procedures	RA-1	RA-1	RA-1
RA-2	Security Categorization	RA-2	RA-2	RA-2
RA-3	Risk Assessment	RA-3	RA-3	RA-3
RA-4	Risk Assessment Update	RA-4	RA-4	RA-4
RA-5	Vulnerability Scanning	Not Selected	RA-5	RA-5 (1) (2)
System and Services Acquisition				
SA-1	System and Services Acquisition Policy and Procedures	SA-1	SA-1	SA-1
SA-2	Allocation of Resources	SA-2	SA-2	SA-2
SA-3	Life Cycle Support	SA-3	SA-3	SA-3
SA-4	Acquisitions	SA-4	SA-4	SA-4
SA-5	Information System Documentation	SA-5	SA-5 (1)	SA-5 (1) (2)
SA-6	Software Usage Restrictions	SA-6	SA-6	SA-6
SA-7	User Installed Software	SA-7	SA-7	SA-7
SA-8	Security Design Principles	Not Selected	SA-8	SA-8
SA-9	Outsourced Information System Services	SA-9	SA-9	SA-9
SA-10	Developer Configuration Management	Not Selected	Not Selected	SA-10
SA-11	Developer Security Testing	Not Selected	SA-11	SA-11

CNTL NO.	CONTROL NAME	CONTROL BASELINES		
		LOW	MOD	HIGH
System and Communications Protection				
SC-1	System and Communications Protection Policy and Procedures	SC-1	SC-1	SC-1
SC-2	Application Partitioning	Not Selected	SC-2	SC-2
SC-3	Security Function Isolation	Not Selected	Not selected	SC-3
SC-4	Information Remnants	Not Selected	SC-4	SC-4
SC-5	Denial of Service Protection	SC-5	SC-5	SC-5
SC-6	Resource Priority	Not Selected	SC-6	SC-6
SC-7	Boundary Protection	SC-7	SC-7 (1)	SC-7 (1)
SC-8	Transmission Integrity	Not Selected	SC-8	SC-8 (1)
SC-9	Transmission Confidentiality	Not Selected	SC-9	SC-9 (1)
SC-10	Network Disconnect	Not Selected	SC-10	SC-10
SC-11	Trusted Path	Not Selected	Not Selected	Not Selected
SC-12	Cryptographic Key Establishment and Management	Not Selected	SC-12	SC-12
SC-13	Use of Validated Cryptography	SC-13	SC-13	SC-13
SC-14	Public Access Protections	SC-14	SC-14	SC-14
SC-15	Collaborative Computing	Not Selected	SC-15	SC-15
SC-16	Transmission of Security Parameters	Not Selected	Not Selected	Not Selected
SC-17	Public Key Infrastructure Certificates	Not Selected	SC-17	SC-17
SC-18	Mobile Code	Not Selected	SC-18	SC-18
SC-19	Voice Over Internet Protocol	Not Selected	SC-19	SC-19
System and Information Integrity				
SI-1	System and Information Integrity Policy and Procedures	SI-1	SI-1	SI-1
SI-2	Flaw Remediation	SI-2	SI-2	SI-2
SI-3	Malicious Code Protection	SI-3	SI-3 (1)	SI-3 (1) (2)
SI-4	Intrusion Detection Tools and Techniques	Not Selected	SI-4	SI-4
SI-5	Security Alerts and Advisories	SI-5	SI-5	SI-5
SI-6	Security Functionality Verification	Not Selected	SI-6	SI-6 (1)
SI-7	Software and Information Integrity	Not Selected	Not Selected	SI-7
SI-8	Spam and Spyware Protection	Not Selected	SI-8	SI-8 (1)
SI-9	Information Input Restrictions	Not Selected	SI-9	SI-9
SI-10	Information Input Accuracy, Completeness, and Validity	Not Selected	SI-10	SI-10
SI-11	Error Handling	Not Selected	SI-11	SI-11
SI-12	Information Output Handling and Retention	Not Selected	SI-12	SI-12

APPENDIX E

MINIMUM ASSURANCE REQUIREMENTS
LOW, MODERATE, AND HIGH BASELINE APPLICATIONS

T he minimum assurance requirements for security controls described in the security control catalog are listed below. The assurance requirements are directed at the activities and actions that security control developers and implementers[31] define and apply to increase the level of confidence that the controls are implemented correctly, operating as intended, and producing the desired outcome with respect to meeting the security requirements for the information system. The assurance requirements are applied on a control-by-control basis. The requirements are grouped by security control baseline (i.e., low, moderate, and high) since the requirements apply to each control within the respective baseline. Using a format similar to security controls, assurance requirements are followed by supplemental guidance that provides additional detail and explanation of how the requirements are to be applied. Bolded text indicates requirements that appear for the first time in a particular baseline.

Low Baseline

Assurance Requirement: **The security control is in effect and meets explicitly identified functional requirements in the control statement.**

Supplemental Guidance: For security controls in the low baseline, the focus is on the control being in place with the expectation that no obvious errors exist and that, as flaws are discovered, they are addressed in a timely manner.

Moderate Baseline

Assurance Requirement: The security control is in effect and meets explicitly identified functional requirements in the control statement. **The control developer/implementer provides a description of the functional properties of the control with sufficient detail to permit analysis and testing of the control. The control developer/implementer includes as an integral part of the control, assigned responsibilities and specific actions to ensure that when the control is implemented, it will meet its required function or purpose. These actions include, for example, requiring the development of records with structure and content suitable to facilitate making this determination.**

Supplemental Guidance: For security controls in the moderate baseline, the focus is on ensuring correct implementation and operation of the control. While flaws are still likely to be uncovered (and addressed expeditiously), the control developer/implementer incorporates, as part of the control, specific capabilities and produces specific documentation to ensure the control meets its required function or purpose.

High Baseline

Assurance Requirement: The security control is in effect and meets explicitly identified functional requirements in the control statement. The control developer/implementer provides a description of the functional properties **and design/implementation** of the control with sufficient detail to permit analysis and testing of the control (**including functional interfaces among control components**). The control developer/implementer includes as an integral part of the control, assigned responsibilities and specific actions to ensure that when the control is implemented, it will **continuously and consistently (i.e., across**

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[31] In this context, a developer/implementer is an individual or group of individuals responsible for the development or implementation of security controls for an information system. This may include, for example, hardware and software vendors providing the controls, contractors implementing the controls, or organizational personnel such as information system owners, information system security officers, system and network administrators, or other individuals with security responsibility for the information system.

the information system) meet its required function or purpose **and support improvement in the effectiveness of the control**. These actions include, for example, requiring the development of records with structure and content suitable to facilitate making this determination.

Supplemental Guidance: For security controls in the high baseline, the focus is expanded to require, within the control, the capabilities that are needed to support ongoing consistent operation of the control and continuous improvement in the control's effectiveness. The developer/implementer is expected to expend significant effort on the design, development, implementation, and component/integration testing of the controls and to produce associated design and implementation documentation to support these activities. For security controls in the high baseline, this same documentation is needed by assessors to analyze and test the internal components of the control as part of the overall assessment of the control.

Additional Requirements Enhancing the Moderate and High Baselines

Assurance Requirement: The security control is in effect and meets explicitly identified functional requirements in the control statement. The control developer/implementer provides a description of the functional properties and design/implementation of the control with sufficient detail to permit analysis and testing of the control. The control developer/implementer includes as an integral part of the control, actions to ensure that when the control is implemented, it will continuously and consistently (i.e., across the information system) meet its required function or purpose and support improvement in the effectiveness of the control. These actions include requiring the development of records with structure and content suitable to facilitate making this determination. **The control is developed in a manner that supports a high degree of confidence that the control is complete, consistent, and correct.**

Supplemental Guidance: The additional high assurance requirements are intended to supplement the minimum assurance requirements for the moderate and high baselines, when appropriate, in order to protect against threats from highly skilled, highly motivated, and well-financed threat agents. This level of protection is required for those information systems where the organization is not willing to accept the risks associated with the type of threat agents cited above.

SECURITY CONTROL CATALOG

SECURITY CONTROLS, SUPPLEMENTAL GUIDANCE, AND CONTROL ENHANCEMENTS

T he following catalog of security controls provides a range of safeguards and countermeasures for information systems. The security controls are organized into *families* for ease of use in the control selection and specification process. Each family contains security controls related to the security function of the family. A standardized, two-character identifier is assigned to uniquely identify each control family. To uniquely identify each control, a numeric identifier is appended to the family identifier to indicate the number of the control with the control family.

The security control structure consists of three key components: (i) a *control* section; (ii) a *supplemental guidance* section; and (iii) a *control enhancements* section. The control section provides a concise statement of the specific security capability needed to protect a particular aspect of an information system. The control statement describes specific security-related activities or actions to be carried out by the organization or by the information system. For some controls in the control catalog, a degree of flexibility is provided by allowing organizations to selectively define input values for certain parameters associated with the controls. This flexibility is achieved through the use of *assignment* and *selection* operations within the main body of the control.

The supplemental guidance section provides additional information related to a specific security control. Organizations should consider supplemental guidance when defining, developing, and implementing security controls. Applicable federal legislation, executive orders, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance documents (e.g., OMB Circulars, FIPS, and NIST Special Publications) are listed in the supplemental guidance section, when appropriate, for the particular security control.

The control enhancements section provides statements of security capability to: (i) build in additional, but related, functionality to a basic control; and/or (ii) increase the strength of a basic control. In both cases, the control enhancements are used in an information system requiring greater protection due to the potential impact of loss or when organizations seek additions to a basic control's functionality based on the results of a risk assessment. Control enhancements are numbered sequentially within each control so the enhancements can be easily identified when selected to supplement the basic control.

With regard to cryptography employed in federal information systems, organizations must comply with current federal policy and meet the requirements of FIPS 140-2, *Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules*. The FIPS 140-2 standard also acknowledges the use of cryptography approved by the National Security Agency as an appropriate alternative for organizations. Consult FIPS 140-2 for specific guidance.

FAMILY: ACCESS CONTROL   **CLASS:** TECHNICAL

AC-1   ACCESS CONTROL POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, access control policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the access control policy and associated access controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The access control policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The access control policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Access control procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW AC-1	**MOD** AC-1	**HIGH** AC-1

AC-2   ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT

Control: The organization manages information system accounts, including establishing, activating, modifying, reviewing, disabling, and removing accounts. The organization reviews information system accounts [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*].

Supplemental Guidance: Account management includes the identification of account types (i.e., individual, group, and system), establishment of conditions for group membership, and assignment of associated authorizations. The organization identifies authorized users of the information system and specifies access rights/privileges. The organization grants access to the information system based on: (i) a valid need-to-know that is determined by assigned official duties and satisfying all personnel security criteria; and (ii) intended system usage. The organization requires proper identification for requests to establish information system accounts and approves all such requests. The organization specifically authorizes and monitors the use of guest/anonymous accounts and removes, disables, or otherwise secures unnecessary accounts. The organization ensures that account managers are notified when information system users are terminated or transferred and associated accounts are removed, disabled, or otherwise secured. Account managers are also notified when users' information system usage or need-to-know changes.

Control Enhancements:

(1) The organization employs automated mechanisms to support the management of information system accounts.

(2) The information system automatically terminates temporary and emergency accounts after [*Assignment: organization-defined time period for each type of account*].

(3) The information system automatically disables inactive accounts after [*Assignment: organization-defined time period*].

(4) The organization employs automated mechanisms to ensure that account creation, modification, disabling, and termination actions are audited and, as required, appropriate individuals are notified.

LOW AC-2	**MOD** AC-2 (1) (2) (3)	**HIGH** AC-2 (1) (2) (3) (4)

AC-3　ACCESS ENFORCEMENT

Control: The information system enforces assigned authorizations for controlling access to the system in accordance with applicable policy.

Supplemental Guidance: Access control policies (e.g., identity-based policies, role-based policies, ruled-based policies) and associated access enforcement mechanisms (e.g., access control lists, access control matrices, cryptography) are employed by organizations to control access between users (or processes acting on behalf of users) and objects (e.g., devices, files, records, processes, programs, domains) in the information system. In addition to controlling access at the information system level, access enforcement mechanisms are employed at the application level, when necessary, to provide increased information security for the organization. If encryption of stored information is employed as an access enforcement mechanism, the cryptography used is FIPS 140-2 compliant.

Control Enhancements:

(1)　The information system ensures that access to security functions (deployed in hardware, software, and firmware) and information is restricted to authorized personnel (e.g., security administrators).

LOW AC-3	**MOD** AC-3 (1)	**HIGH** AC-3 (1)

AC-4　INFORMATION FLOW ENFORCEMENT

Control: The information system enforces assigned authorizations for controlling the flow of information within the system and between interconnected systems in accordance with applicable policy.

Supplemental Guidance: Information flow control policies and enforcement mechanisms are employed by organizations to control the flow of information between designated sources and destinations (e.g., individuals, devices) within information systems and between interconnected systems based on the characteristics of the information. Simple examples of flow control enforcement can be found in firewall and router devices that employ rule sets or establish configuration settings that restrict information system services or provide a packet filtering capability. Flow control enforcement can also be found in information systems that use explicit labels on information, source, and destination objects as the basis for flow control decisions (e.g., to control the release of certain types of information).

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** AC-4	**HIGH** AC-4

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AC-5   SEPARATION OF DUTIES

Control: The information system enforces separation of duties through assigned access authorizations.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization establishes appropriate divisions of responsibility and separates duties as needed to eliminate conflicts of interest in the responsibilities and duties of individuals. There is access control software on the information system that prevents users from having all of the necessary authority or information access to perform fraudulent activity without collusion. Examples of separation of duties include: (i) mission functions and distinct information system support functions are divided among different individuals/roles; (ii) different individuals perform information system support functions (e.g., system management, systems programming, quality assurance/testing, configuration management, and network security); and (iii) security personnel who administer access control functions do not administer audit functions.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	MOD AC-5	HIGH AC-5

AC-6   LEAST PRIVILEGE

Control: The information system enforces the most restrictive set of rights/privileges or accesses needed by users (or processes acting on behalf of users) for the performance of specified tasks.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization employs the concept of least privilege for specific duties and information systems (including specific ports, protocols, and services) in accordance with risk assessments as necessary to adequately mitigate risk to organizational operations, organizational assets, and individuals.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	MOD AC-6	HIGH AC-6

AC-7   UNSUCCESSFUL LOGIN ATTEMPTS

Control: The information system enforces a limit of [*Assignment: organization-defined number*] consecutive invalid access attempts by a user during a [*Assignment: organization-defined time period*] time period. The information system automatically [*Selection: locks the account/node for an* [*Assignment: organization-defined time period*], *delays next login prompt according to* [*Assignment: organization-defined delay algorithm.*]] when the maximum number of unsuccessful attempts is exceeded.

Supplemental Guidance: Due to the potential for denial of service, automatic lockouts initiated by the information system are usually temporary and automatically release after a predetermined time period established by the organization.

Control Enhancements:

(1) The information system automatically locks the account/node until released by an administrator when the maximum number of unsuccessful attempts is exceeded.

LOW AC-7	MOD AC-7	HIGH AC-7

AC-8   SYSTEM USE NOTIFICATION

Control: The information system displays an approved, system use notification message before granting system access informing potential users: (i) that the user is accessing a U.S. Government information system; (ii) that system usage may be monitored, recorded, and subject to audit; (iii) that unauthorized use of the system is prohibited and subject to criminal and civil penalties; and (iv) that use of the system indicates consent to monitoring and recording. The system use notification message provides appropriate privacy and security notices (based on associated privacy and security policies or summaries) and remains on the screen until the user takes explicit actions to log on to the information system.

Supplemental Guidance: Privacy and security policies are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. For publicly accessible systems: (i) the system use information is available as opposed to displaying the information before granting access; (ii) there are no references to monitoring, recording, or auditing since privacy accommodations for such systems generally prohibit those activities; and (iii) the notice given to public users of the information system includes a description of the authorized uses of the system.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW AC-8	**MOD** AC-8	**HIGH** AC-8

AC-9   PREVIOUS LOGON NOTIFICATION

Control: The information system notifies the user, upon successful logon, of the date and time of the last logon, and the number of unsuccessful logon attempts since the last successful logon.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** Not Selected	**HIGH** Not Selected

AC-10   CONCURRENT SESSION CONTROL

Control: The information system limits the number of concurrent sessions for any user to [*Assignment: organization-defined number of sessions*].

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** Not Selected	**HIGH** AC-10

AC-11   SESSION LOCK

Control: The information system prevents further access to the system by initiating a session lock that remains in effect until the user reestablishes access using appropriate identification and authentication procedures.

Supplemental Guidance: Users can directly initiate session lock mechanisms. The information system also activates session lock mechanisms automatically after a specified period of inactivity defined by the organization. A session lock is not a substitute for logging out of the information system.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** AC-11	**HIGH** AC-11

AC-12   SESSION TERMINATION

Control: The information system automatically terminates a session after [*Assignment: organization-defined time period*] of inactivity.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** AC-12	**HIGH** AC-12

AC-13   SUPERVISION AND REVIEW — ACCESS CONTROL

Control: The organization supervises and reviews the activities of users with respect to the enforcement and usage of information system access controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization reviews audit records (e.g., user activity logs) for inappropriate activities in accordance with organizational procedures. The organization investigates any unusual information system-related activities and periodically reviews changes to access authorizations. The organization reviews more frequently, the activities of users with significant information system roles and responsibilities.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to facilitate the review of user activities.

LOW AC-13	**MOD** AC-13	**HIGH** AC-13 (1)

AC-14   PERMITTED ACTIONS WITHOUT IDENTIFICATION OR AUTHENTICATION

Control: The organization identifies specific user actions that can be performed on the information system without identification or authentication.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization allows limited user activity without identification and authentication for public websites or other publicly available information systems.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization permits actions to be performed without identification and authentication only to the extent necessary to accomplish mission objectives.

LOW AC-14	**MOD** AC-14 (1)	**HIGH** AC-14 (1)

AC-15   AUTOMATED MARKING

Control: The information system marks output using standard naming conventions to identify any special dissemination, handling, or distribution instructions.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** Not Selected	**HIGH** AC-15

AC-16   AUTOMATED LABELING

Control: The information system appropriately labels information in storage, in process, and in transmission.

Supplemental Guidance: Information labeling is accomplished in accordance with special dissemination, handling, or distribution instructions, or as otherwise required to enforce information system security policy.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** Not Selected	**HIGH** Not Selected

AC-17   **REMOTE ACCESS**

Control: The organization documents, monitors, and controls all methods of remote access (e.g., dial-up, Internet) to the information system including remote access for privileged functions. Appropriate organization officials authorize each remote access method for the information system and authorize only the necessary users for each access method.

Supplemental Guidance: Remote access controls are applicable to information systems other than public web servers or systems specifically designed for public access. The organization restricts access achieved through dial-up connections (e.g., limiting dial-up access based upon source of request) or protects against unauthorized connections or subversion of authorized connections (e.g., using virtual private network technology). The organization permits remote access for privileged functions only for compelling operational needs. NIST Special Publication 800-63 provides guidance on remote electronic authentication.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to facilitate the monitoring and control of remote access methods.

(2)   The organization uses encryption to protect the confidentiality of remote access sessions.

(3)   The organization controls all remote accesses through a managed access control point.

LOW AC-17	**MOD** AC-17 (1) (2) (3)	**HIGH** AC-17 (1) (2) (3)

AC-18   **WIRELESS ACCESS RESTRICTIONS**

Control: The organization: (i) establishes usage restrictions and implementation guidance for wireless technologies; and (ii) documents, monitors, and controls wireless access to the information system. Appropriate organizational officials authorize the use of wireless technologies.

Supplemental Guidance: NIST Special Publication 800-48 provides guidance on wireless network security with particular emphasis on the IEEE 802.11b and Bluetooth standards.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization uses authentication and encryption to protect wireless access to the information system.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** AC-18 (1)	**HIGH** AC-18 (1)

AC-19   ACCESS CONTROL FOR PORTABLE AND MOBILE DEVICES

Control: The organization: (i) establishes usage restrictions and implementation guidance for portable and mobile devices; and (ii) documents, monitors, and controls device access to organizational networks. Appropriate organizational officials authorize the use of portable and mobile devices.

Supplemental Guidance: Portable and mobile devices (e.g., notebook computers, workstations, personal digital assistants) are not allowed access to organizational networks without first meeting organizational security policies and procedures. Security policies and procedures might include such activities as scanning the devices for malicious code, updating virus protection software, scanning for critical software updates and patches, conducting primary operating system (and possibly other resident software) integrity checks, and disabling unnecessary hardware (e.g., wireless).

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs removable hard drives or cryptography to protect information residing on portable and mobile devices.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** AC-19	**HIGH** AC-19 (1)

AC-20   PERSONALLY OWNED INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Control: The organization restricts the use of personally owned information systems for official U.S. Government business involving the processing, storage, or transmission of federal information.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization establishes strict terms and conditions for the use of personally owned information systems. The terms and conditions should address, at a minimum: (i) the types of applications that can be accessed from personally owned information systems; (ii) the maximum FIPS 199 security category of information that can processed, stored, and transmitted; (iii) how other users of the personally owned information system will be prevented from accessing federal information; (iv) the use of virtual private networking (VPN) and firewall technologies; (v) the use of and protection against the vulnerabilities of wireless technologies; (vi) the maintenance of adequate physical security controls; (vii) the use of virus and spyware protection software; and (viii) how often the security capabilities of installed software are to be updated (e.g., operating system and other software security patches, virus definitions, firewall version updates, spyware definitions).

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW AC-20	**MOD** AC-20	**HIGH** AC-20

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FAMILY: AWARENESS AND TRAINING   **CLASS:** OPERATIONAL

AT-1   SECURITY AWARENESS AND TRAINING POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, security awareness and training policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the security awareness and training policy and associated security awareness and training controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The security awareness and training policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The security awareness and training policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Security awareness and training procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publications 800-16 and 800-50 provide guidance on security awareness and training. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW AT-1	**MOD** AT-1	**HIGH** AT-1

AT-2   SECURITY AWARENESS

Control: The organization ensures all users (including managers and senior executives) are exposed to basic information system security awareness materials before authorizing access to the system and [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency, at least annually*] thereafter.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization determines the appropriate content of security awareness training based on the specific requirements of the organization and the information systems to which personnel have authorized access. The organization's security awareness program is consistent with the requirements contained in 5 C.F.R. Part 930.301 and with the guidance in NIST Special Publication 800-50.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW AT-2	**MOD** AT-2	**HIGH** AT-2

AT-3　　**SECURITY TRAINING**

Control: The organization identifies personnel with significant information system security roles and responsibilities, documents those roles and responsibilities, and provides appropriate information system security training before authorizing access to the system and [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*] thereafter.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization determines the appropriate content of security training based on the specific requirements of the organization and the information systems to which personnel have authorized access. In addition, the organization ensures system managers, system administrators, and other personnel having access to system-level software have adequate technical training to perform their assigned duties. The organization's security training program is consistent with the requirements contained in 5 C.F.R. Part 930.301 and with the guidance in NIST Special Publication 800-50.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW AT-3	**MOD** AT-3	**HIGH** AT-3

AT-4　　**SECURITY TRAINING RECORDS**

Control: The organization documents and monitors individual information system security training activities including basic security awareness training and specific information system security training.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW AT-4	**MOD** AT-4	**HIGH** AT-4

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FAMILY: AUDIT AND ACCOUNTABILITY   **CLASS:** TECHNICAL

AU-1   AUDIT AND ACCOUNTABILITY POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, audit and accountability policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the audit and accountability policy and associated audit and accountability controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The audit and accountability policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The audit and accountability policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Audit and accountability procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW AU-1	**MOD** AU-1	**HIGH** AU-1

AU-2   AUDITABLE EVENTS

Control: The information system generates audit records for the following events: [*Assignment: organization-defined auditable events*].

Supplemental Guidance: The organization specifies which information system components carry out auditing activities. Auditing activity can affect information system performance. Therefore, the organization decides, based upon a risk assessment, which events require auditing on a continuous basis and which events require auditing in response to specific situations. The checklists and configuration guides at http://csrc.nist.gov/pcig/cig.html provide recommended lists of auditable events. The organization defines auditable events that are adequate to support after-the-fact investigations of security incidents.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   **The information system provides the capability to compile audit records from multiple components throughout the system into a systemwide (logical or physical), time-correlated audit trail.**

(2)   **The information system provides the capability to manage the selection of events to be audited by individual components of the system.**

LOW AU-2	**MOD** AU-2	**HIGH** AU-2

AU-3   **CONTENT OF AUDIT RECORDS**

Control: The information system captures sufficient information in audit records to establish what events occurred, the sources of the events, and the outcomes of the events.

Supplemental Guidance: Audit record content includes, for most audit records: (i) date and time of the event; (ii) the component of the information system (e.g., software component, hardware component) where the event occurred; (iii) type of event; (iv) subject identity; and (v) the outcome (success or failure) of the event.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The information system provides the capability to include additional, more detailed information in the audit records for audit events identified by type, location, or subject.

(2)   The information system provides the capability to centrally manage the content of audit records generated by individual components throughout the system.

LOW AU-3	**MOD** AU-3 (1)	**HIGH** AU-3 (1) (2)

AU-4   **AUDIT STORAGE CAPACITY**

Control: The organization allocates sufficient audit record storage capacity and configures auditing to prevent such capacity being exceeded.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW AU-4	**MOD** AU-4	**HIGH** AU-4

AU-5   **AUDIT PROCESSING**

Control: In the event of an audit failure or audit storage capacity being reached, the information system alerts appropriate organizational officials and takes the following additional actions: [*Assignment: organization-defined actions to be taken (e.g., shutdown information system, overwrite oldest audit records, stop generating audit records)*].

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The information system provides a warning when allocated audit record storage volume reaches [*Assignment: organization-defined percentage of maximum audit record storage capacity*].

LOW AU-5	**MOD** AU-5	**HIGH** AU-5 (1)

AU-6 **AUDIT MONITORING, ANALYSIS, AND REPORTING**

Control: The organization regularly reviews/analyzes audit records for indications of inappropriate or unusual activity, investigates suspicious activity or suspected violations, reports findings to appropriate officials, and takes necessary actions.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1) The organization employs automated mechanisms to integrate audit monitoring, analysis, and reporting into an overall process for investigation and response to suspicious activities.

(2) The organization employs automated mechanisms to immediately alert security personnel of inappropriate or unusual activities with security implications.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** AU-6	**HIGH** AU-6 (1)

AU-7 **AUDIT REDUCTION AND REPORT GENERATION**

Control: The information system provides an audit reduction and report generation capability.

Supplemental Guidance: Audit reduction, review, and reporting tools support after-the-fact investigations of security incidents without altering original audit records.

Control Enhancements:

(1) The information system provides the capability to automatically process audit records for events of interest based upon selectable, event criteria.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** AU-7	**HIGH** AU-7 (1)

AU-8 **TIME STAMPS**

Control: The information system provides time stamps for use in audit record generation.

Supplemental Guidance: Time stamps of audit records are generated using internal system clocks that are synchronized system wide.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** AU-8	**HIGH** AU-8

AU-9 **PROTECTION OF AUDIT INFORMATION**

Control: The information system protects audit information and audit tools from unauthorized access, modification, and deletion.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1) The information system produces audit information on hardware-enforced, write-once media.

LOW AU-9	**MOD** AU-9	**HIGH** AU-9

AU-10   NON-REPUDIATION

Control: The information system provides the capability to determine whether a given individual took a particular action (e.g., created information, sent a message, approved information [e.g., to indicate concurrence or sign a contract] or received a message).

Supplemental Guidance: Non-repudiation protects against later false claims by an individual of not having taken a specific action. Non-repudiation protects individuals against later claims by an author of not having authored a particular document, a sender of not having transmitted a message, a receiver of not having received a message, or a signatory of having signed a document. Non-repudiation services can be used to determine if information originated from an individual, or if an individual took specific actions (e.g., sending an email, signing a contract, approving a procurement request) or received specific information. Non-repudiation services are obtained by employing various techniques or mechanisms (e.g., digital signatures, digital message receipts, time stamps).

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** Not Selected	**HIGH** Not Selected

AU-11   AUDIT RETENTION

Control: The organization retains audit logs for [*Assignment: organization-defined time period*] to provide support for after-the-fact investigations of security incidents and to meet regulatory and organizational information retention requirements.

Supplemental Guidance: NIST Special Publication 800-61 provides guidance on computer security incident handling and audit log retention.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW AU-11	**MOD** AU-11	**HIGH** AU-11

FAMILY: CERTIFICATION, ACCREDITATION, AND SECURITY   **CLASS:** MANAGEMENT
ASSESSMENTS

CA-1   **CERTIFICATION, ACCREDITATION, AND SECURITY ASSESSMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) formal, documented, security assessment and certification and accreditation policies that address purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the security assessment and certification and accreditation policies and associated assessment, certification, and accreditation controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The security assessment and certification and accreditation policies and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The security assessment and certification and accreditation policies can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Security assessment and certification and accreditation procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-53A provides guidance on security control assessments. NIST Special Publication 800-37 provides guidance on processing security certification and accreditation. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW CA-1	**MOD** CA-1	**HIGH** CA-1

CA-2   **SECURITY ASSESSMENTS**

Control: The organization conducts an assessment of the security controls in the information system [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency, at least annually*] to determine the extent to which the controls are implemented correctly, operating as intended, and producing the desired outcome with respect to meeting the security requirements for the system.

Supplemental Guidance: This control is intended to support the FISMA requirement that the management, operational, and technical controls in each information system contained in the inventory of major information systems be tested with a frequency depending on risk, but no less than annually. NIST Special Publications 800-53A and 800-26 provide guidance on security control assessments.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** CA-2	**HIGH** CA-2

CA-3   **INFORMATION SYSTEM CONNECTIONS**

Control: The organization authorizes all connections from the information system to other information systems outside of the accreditation boundary and monitors/controls the system interconnections on an ongoing basis. Appropriate organizational officials approve information system interconnection agreements.

Supplemental Guidance: Since FIPS 199 security categorizations apply to individual information systems, the organization should carefully consider the risks that may be introduced when systems are connected to other information systems with different security requirements and security controls, both within the organization and external to the organization. Risk considerations should also include information systems sharing the same networks. NIST Special Publication 800-47 provides guidance on interconnecting information systems.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW CA-3	MOD CA-3	HIGH CA-3

CA-4   **SECURITY CERTIFICATION**

Control: The organization conducts an assessment of the security controls in the information system to determine the extent to which the controls are implemented correctly, operating as intended, and producing the desired outcome with respect to meeting the security requirements for the system.

Supplemental Guidance: A security certification is conducted by the organization in support of the OMB Circular A-130, Appendix III requirement for accrediting the information system. The security certification is integrated into and spans the System Development Life Cycle (SDLC). NIST Special Publication 800-53A provides guidance on the assessment of security controls. NIST Special Publication 800-37 provides guidance on security certification and accreditation.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW CA-4	MOD CA-4	HIGH CA-4

CA-5   **PLAN OF ACTION AND MILESTONES**

Control: The organization develops and updates [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*], a plan of action and milestones for the information system that documents the organization's planned, implemented, and evaluated remedial actions to correct any deficiencies noted during the assessment of the security controls and to reduce or eliminate known vulnerabilities in the system.

Supplemental Guidance: The plan of action and milestones updates are based on the findings from security control assessments, security impact analyses, and continuous monitoring activities. The plan of action and milestones is a key document in the security accreditation package developed for the authorizing official. NIST Special Publication 800-37 provides guidance on the security certification and accreditation of information systems. NIST Special Publication 800-30 provides guidance on risk mitigation.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW CA-5	MOD CA-5	HIGH CA-5

CA-6   SECURITY ACCREDITATION

Control: The organization authorizes (i.e., accredits) the information system for processing before operations and updates the authorization [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*]. A senior organizational official signs and approves the security accreditation.

Supplemental Guidance: OMB Circular A-130, Appendix III, establishes policy for security accreditations of federal information systems. The organization assesses the security controls employed within the information system before and in support of the security accreditation. Security assessments conducted in support of security accreditations are called security certifications. NIST Special Publication 800-37 provides guidance on the security certification and accreditation of information systems.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW CA-6	**MOD** CA-6	**HIGH** CA-6

CA-7   CONTINUOUS MONITORING

Control: The organization monitors the security controls in the information system on an ongoing basis.

Supplemental Guidance: Continuous monitoring activities include configuration management and control of information system components, security impact analyses of changes to the system, ongoing assessment of security controls, and status reporting. The organization establishes the selection criteria for control monitoring and subsequently selects a subset of the security controls employed within the information system for purposes of continuous monitoring. NIST Special Publication 800-37 provides guidance on the continuous monitoring process. NIST Special Publication 800-53A provides guidance on the assessment of security controls.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW CA-7	**MOD** CA-7	**HIGH** CA-7

FAMILY: CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT   **CLASS:** OPERATIONAL

CM-1   CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, configuration management policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the configuration management policy and associated configuration management controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The configuration management policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The configuration management policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Configuration management procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

| **LOW** CM-1 | **MOD** CM-1 | **HIGH** CM-1 |

CM-2   BASELINE CONFIGURATION

Control: The organization develops, documents, and maintains a current, baseline configuration of the information system and an inventory of the system's constituent components.

Supplemental Guidance: The configuration of the information system is consistent with the Federal Enterprise Architecture and the organization's information system architecture. The inventory of information system components includes manufacturer, type, serial number, version number, and location (i.e., physical location and logical position within the information system architecture).

Control Enhancements:

(1) The organization updates the baseline configuration as an integral part of information system component installations.

(2) The organization employs automated mechanisms to maintain an up-to-date, complete, accurate, and readily available baseline configuration.

| **LOW** CM-2 | **MOD** CM-2 (1) | **HIGH** CM-2 (1) (2) |

CM-3   CONFIGURATION CHANGE CONTROL

Control: The organization documents and controls changes to the information system. Appropriate organizational officials approve information system changes in accordance with organizational policies and procedures.

Supplemental Guidance: Configuration change control involves the systematic proposal, justification, test/evaluation, review, and disposition of proposed changes. The organization includes emergency changes in the configuration change control process.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to: (i) document proposed changes to the information system; (ii) notify appropriate approval authorities; (iii) highlight approvals that have not been received in a timely manner; (iv) inhibit change until necessary approvals are received; and (v) document completed changes to the information system.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** CM-3	**HIGH** CM-3 (1)

CM-4   MONITORING CONFIGURATION CHANGES

Control: The organization monitors changes to the information system and conducts security impact analyses to determine the effects of the changes.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization documents the installation of information system components. After the information system is changed, the organizations checks the security features to ensure the features are still functioning properly. The organization audits activities associated with configuration changes to the information system.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** CM-4	**HIGH** CM-4

CM-5   ACCESS RESTRICTIONS FOR CHANGE

Control: The organization enforces access restrictions associated with changes to the information system.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to enforce access restrictions and support auditing of the enforcement actions.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** CM-5	**HIGH** CM-5 (1)

CM-6   CONFIGURATION SETTINGS

Control: The organization configures the security settings of information technology products to the most restrictive mode consistent with information system operational requirements.

Supplemental Guidance: NIST Special Publication 800-70 provides guidance on configuration settings (i.e., checklists) for information technology products.

Control Enhancements:

(1) The organization employs automated mechanisms to centrally manage, apply, and verify configuration settings.

LOW CM-6	**MOD** CM-6	**HIGH** CM-6 (1)

CM-7   LEAST FUNCTIONALITY

Control: The organization configures the information system to provide only essential capabilities and specifically prohibits and/or restricts the use of the following functions, ports, protocols, and/or services: [*Assignment: organization-defined list of prohibited and/or restricted functions, ports, protocols, and/or services*].

Supplemental Guidance: Information systems are capable of providing a wide variety of functions and services. Some of the functions and services, provided by default, may not be necessary to support essential organizational operations (e.g., key missions, functions). The functions and services provided by information systems should be carefully reviewed to determine which functions and services are candidates for elimination (e.g., Voice Over Internet Protocol, Instant Messaging, File Transfer Protocol, Hyper Text Transfer Protocol, file sharing).

Control Enhancements:

(1) The organization reviews the information system [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*], to identify and eliminate unnecessary functions, ports, protocols, and/or services.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** CM-7	**HIGH** CM-7 (1)

FAMILY: CONTINGENCY PLANNING   **CLASS:** OPERATIONAL

CP-1   CONTINGENCY PLANNING POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, contingency planning policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the contingency planning policy and associated contingency planning controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The contingency planning policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The contingency planning policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Contingency planning procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-34 provides guidance on contingency planning. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW CP-1	**MOD** CP-1	**HIGH** CP-1

CP-2   CONTINGENCY PLAN

Control: The organization develops and implements a contingency plan for the information system addressing contingency roles, responsibilities, assigned individuals with contact information, and activities associated with restoring the system after a disruption or failure. Designated officials within the organization review and approve the contingency plan and distribute copies of the plan to key contingency personnel.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization coordinates contingency plan development with organizational elements responsible for related plans (e.g., Business Continuity Plan, Disaster Recovery Plan, Continuity of Operations Plan, Business Recovery Plan, Incident Response Plan).

LOW CP-2	**MOD** CP-2 (1)	**HIGH** CP-2 (1)

CP-3   CONTINGENCY TRAINING

Control: The organization trains personnel in their contingency roles and responsibilities with respect to the information system and provides refresher training [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency, at least annually*].

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization incorporates simulated events into contingency training to facilitate effective response by personnel in crisis situations.

(2)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to provide a more thorough and realistic training environment.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** CP-3	**HIGH** CP-3 (1)

CP-4   **CONTINGENCY PLAN TESTING**

Control: The organization tests the contingency plan for the information system [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency, at least annually*] using [*Assignment: organization-defined tests and exercises*] to determine the plan's effectiveness and the organization's readiness to execute the plan. Appropriate officials within the organization review the contingency plan test results and initiate corrective actions.

Supplemental Guidance: There are several methods for testing contingency plans to identify potential weaknesses (e.g., full-scale contingency plan testing, functional/tabletop exercises).

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization coordinates contingency plan testing with organizational elements responsible for related plans (e.g., Business Continuity Plan, Disaster Recovery Plan, Continuity of Operations Plan, Business Recovery Plan, Incident Response Plan).

(2)   The organization tests the contingency plan at the alternate processing site to familiarize contingency personnel with the facility and available resources and to evaluate the site's capabilities to support contingency operations.

(3)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to more thoroughly and effectively test the contingency plan.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** CP-4 (1)	**HIGH** CP-4 (1) (2)

CP-5   **CONTINGENCY PLAN UPDATE**

Control: The organization reviews the contingency plan for the information system [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency, at least annually*] and revises the plan to address system/organizational changes or problems encountered during plan implementation, execution, or testing.

Supplemental Guidance: Organizational changes include changes in mission, functions, or business processes supported by the information system. The organization communicates changes to appropriate organizational elements responsible for related plans (e.g., Business Continuity Plan, Disaster Recovery Plan, Continuity of Operations Plan, Business Recovery Plan, Incident Response Plan).

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW CP-5	**MOD** CP-5	**HIGH** CP-5

CP-6   ALTERNATE STORAGE SITES

Control: The organization identifies an alternate storage site and initiates necessary agreements to permit the storage of information system backup information.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The alternate storage site is geographically separated from the primary storage site so as not to be susceptible to the same hazards.

(2)   The alternate storage site is configured to facilitate timely and effective recovery operations.

(3)   The organization identifies potential accessibility problems to the alternate storage site in the event of an area-wide disruption or disaster and outlines explicit mitigation actions.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** CP-6 (1)	**HIGH** CP-6 (1) (2) (3)

CP-7   ALTERNATE PROCESSING SITES

Control: The organization identifies an alternate processing site and initiates necessary agreements to permit the resumption of information system operations for critical mission/business functions within [*Assignment: organization-defined time period*] when the primary processing capabilities are unavailable.

Supplemental Guidance: Equipment and supplies required to resume operations within the organization-defined time period are either available at the alternate site or contracts are in place to support delivery to the site.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The alternate processing site is geographically separated from the primary processing site so as not to be susceptible to the same hazards.

(2)   The organization identifies potential accessibility problems to the alternate processing site in the event of an area-wide disruption or disaster and outlines explicit mitigation actions.

(3)   Alternate processing site agreements contain priority-of-service provisions in accordance with the organization's availability requirements.

(4)   The alternate processing site is fully configured to support a minimum required operational capability and ready to use as the operational site.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** CP-7 (1) (2) (3)	**HIGH** CP-7 (1) (2) (3) (4)

CP-8   TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

Control: The organization identifies primary and alternate telecommunications services to support the information system and initiates necessary agreements to permit the resumption of system operations for critical mission/business functions within [*Assignment: organization-defined time period*] when the primary telecommunications capabilities are unavailable.

Supplemental Guidance: In the event that the primary and/or alternate telecommunications services are provided by a wireline carrier, the organization should ensure that it requests Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) for all telecommunications services used for national security emergency preparedness (see http://tsp.ncs.gov for a full explanation of the TSP program).

Control Enhancements:

(1)   Primary and alternate telecommunications service agreements contain priority-of-service provisions in accordance with the organization's availability requirements.

(2)   Alternate telecommunications services do not share a single point of failure with primary telecommunications services.

(3)   Alternate telecommunications service providers are sufficiently separated from primary service providers so as not to be susceptible to the same hazards.

(4)   Primary and alternate telecommunications service providers have adequate contingency plans.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** CP-8 (1) (2)	**HIGH** CP-8 (1) (2) (3) (4)

CP-9   INFORMATION SYSTEM BACKUP

Control: The organization conducts backups of user-level and system-level information (including system state information) contained in the information system [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*] and stores backup information at an appropriately secured location.

Supplemental Guidance: The frequency of information system backups and the transfer rate of backup information to alternate storage sites (if so designated) are consistent with the organization's recovery time objectives and recovery point objectives.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization tests backup information [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*] to ensure media reliability and information integrity.

(2)   The organization selectively uses backup information in the restoration of information system functions as part of contingency plan testing.

(3)   The organization stores backup copies of the operating system and other critical information system software in a separate facility or in a fire-rated container that is not collocated with the operational software.

LOW CP-9	**MOD** CP-9 (1)	**HIGH** CP-9 (1) (2) (3)

CP-10   INFORMATION SYSTEM RECOVERY AND RECONSTITUTION

Control: The organization employs mechanisms with supporting procedures to allow the information system to be recovered and reconstituted to the system's original state after a disruption or failure.

Supplemental Guidance: Secure information system recovery and reconstitution to the system's original state means that all system parameters (either default or organization-established) are reset, patches are reinstalled, configuration settings are reestablished, system documentation and operating procedures are available, application and system software is reinstalled, information from the most recent backups is available, and the system is fully tested.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization includes a full recovery and reconstitution of the information system as part of contingency plan testing.

LOW CP-10	**MOD** CP-10	**HIGH** CP-10 (1)

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FAMILY: IDENTIFICATION AND AUTHENTICATION   **CLASS:** TECHNICAL

IA-1   **IDENTIFICATION AND AUTHENTICATION POLICY AND PROCEDURES**

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, identification and authentication policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the identification and authentication policy and associated identification and authentication controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The identification and authentication policy and procedures are consistent with: (i) FIPS 201 and Special Publications 800-73 and 800-76; and (ii) other applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The identification and authentication policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Identification and authentication procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures. NIST Special Publication 800-63 provides guidance on remote electronic authentication.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW IA-1	**MOD** IA-1	**HIGH** IA-1

IA-2   **USER IDENTIFICATION AND AUTHENTICATION**

Control: The information system uniquely identifies and authenticates users (or processes acting on behalf of users).

Supplemental Guidance: Authentication of user identities is accomplished through the use of passwords, tokens, biometrics, or in the case of multifactor authentication, some combination therein. FIPS 201 and Special Publications 800-73 and 800-76 specify a personal identity verification (PIV) card token for use in the unique identification and authentication of federal employees and contractors. NIST Special Publication 800-63 provides guidance on remote electronic authentication. For other than remote situations, when users identify and authenticate to information systems within a specified security perimeter which is considered to offer sufficient protection, NIST Special Publication 800-63 guidance should be applied as follows: (i) for low-impact information systems, tokens that meet Level 1, 2, 3, or 4 requirements are acceptable; (ii) for moderate-impact information systems, tokens that meet Level 2, 3, or 4 requirements are acceptable; and (iii) for high-impact information systems, tokens that meet Level 3 or 4 requirements are acceptable. In addition to identifying and authenticating users at the information system level, identification and authentication mechanisms are employed at the application level, when necessary, to provide increased information security for the organization.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The information system employs multifactor authentication.

LOW IA-2	**MOD** IA-2	**HIGH** IA-2 (1)

IA-3   **DEVICE IDENTIFICATION AND AUTHENTICATION**

Control: The information system identifies and authenticates specific devices before establishing a connection.

Supplemental Guidance: The information system typically uses either shared known information (e.g., Media Access Control (MAC) or Transmission Control Program/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) addresses) or an organizational authentication solution (e.g., IEEE 802.1x and Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP) or a Radius server with EAP-Transport Layer Security (TLS) authentication) to identify and authenticate devices on local and/or wide area networks.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** IA-3	**HIGH** IA-3

IA-4   **IDENTIFIER MANAGEMENT**

Control: The organization manages user identifiers by: (i) uniquely identifying each user; (ii) verifying the identity of each user; (iii) receiving authorization to issue a user identifier from an appropriate organization official; (iv) ensuring that the user identifier is issued to the intended party; (v) disabling user identifier after [*Assignment: organization-defined time period*] of inactivity; and (vi) archiving user identifiers.

Supplemental Guidance: Identifier management is not applicable to shared information system accounts (e.g., guest and anonymous accounts). FIPS 201 and Special Publications 800-73 and 800-76 specify a personal identity verification (PIV) card token for use in the unique identification and authentication of federal employees and contractors.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW IA-4	**MOD** IA-4	**HIGH** IA-4

IA-5   **AUTHENTICATOR MANAGEMENT**

Control: The organization manages information system authenticators (e.g., tokens, PKI certificates, biometrics, passwords, key cards) by: (i) defining initial authenticator content; (ii) establishing administrative procedures for initial authenticator distribution, for lost/compromised, or damaged authenticators, and for revoking authenticators; and (iii) changing default authenticators upon information system installation.

Supplemental Guidance: Users take reasonable measures to safeguard authenticators including maintaining possession of their individual authenticators, not loaning or sharing authenticators with others, and reporting lost or compromised authenticators immediately. For password-based authentication, the information system: (i) protects passwords from unauthorized disclosure and modification when stored and transmitted; (ii) prohibits passwords from being displayed when entered; (iii) enforces password minimum and maximum lifetime restrictions; and (iv) prohibits password reuse for a specified number of generations. For PKI-based authentication, the information system: (i) validates certificates by constructing a certification path to an accepted trust anchor; (ii) establishes user control of the corresponding private key; and (iii) maps the authenticated identity to the user account. FIPS 201 and Special Publications 800-73 and 800-76 specify a personal identity verification (PIV) card token for use in the unique identification and authentication of federal employees and contractors. NIST Special Publication 800-63 provides guidance on remote electronic authentication.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW IA-5	**MOD** IA-5	**HIGH** IA-5

IA-6   **AUTHENTICATOR FEEDBACK**

Control: The information system provides feedback to a user during an attempted authentication and that feedback does not compromise the authentication mechanism.

Supplemental Guidance: The information system may obscure feedback of authentication information during the authentication process (e.g., displaying asterisks when a user types in a password).

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW IA-6	**MOD** IA-6	**HIGH** IA-6

IA-7   **CRYPTOGRAPHIC MODULE AUTHENTICATION**

Control: For authentication to a cryptographic module, the information system employs authentication methods that meet the requirements of FIPS 140-2.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW IA-7	**MOD** IA-7	**HIGH** IA-7

FAMILY: INCIDENT RESPONSE   **CLASS:** OPERATIONAL

IR-1   INCIDENT RESPONSE POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, incident response policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the incident response policy and associated incident response controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The incident response policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The incident response policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Incident response procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-61 provides guidance on incident handling and reporting. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW IR-1	**MOD** IR-1	**HIGH** IR-1

IR-2   INCIDENT RESPONSE TRAINING

Control: The organization trains personnel in their incident response roles and responsibilities with respect to the information system and provides refresher training [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency, at least annually*].

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization incorporates simulated events into incident response training to facilitate effective response by personnel in crisis situations.

(2)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to provide a more thorough and realistic training environment.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** IR-2	**HIGH** IR-2 (1) (2)

IR-3   INCIDENT RESPONSE TESTING

Control: The organization tests the incident response capability for the information system [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency, at least annually*] using [*Assignment: organization-defined tests and exercises*] to determine the incident response effectiveness and documents the results.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to more thoroughly and effectively test the incident response capability.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** IR-3	**HIGH** IR-3 (1)

IR-4   INCIDENT HANDLING

Control: The organization implements an incident handling capability for security incidents that includes preparation, detection and analysis, containment, eradication, and recovery.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization incorporates the lessons learned from ongoing incident handling activities into the incident response procedures and implements the procedures accordingly.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to support the incident handling process.

LOW IR-4	**MOD** IR-4 (1)	**HIGH** IR-4 (1)

IR-5   INCIDENT MONITORING

Control: The organization tracks and documents information system security incidents on an ongoing basis.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to assist in the tracking of security incidents and in the collection and analysis of incident information.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** IR-5	**HIGH** IR-5 (1)

IR-6   INCIDENT REPORTING

Control: The organization promptly reports incident information to appropriate authorities.

Supplemental Guidance: The types of incident information reported, the content and timeliness of the reports, and the list of designated reporting authorities or organizations are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to assist in the reporting of security incidents.

LOW IR-6	**MOD** IR-6 (1)	**HIGH** IR-6 (1)

IR-7   INCIDENT RESPONSE ASSISTANCE

Control: The organization provides an incident support resource that offers advice and assistance to users of the information system for the handling and reporting of security incidents. The support resource is an integral part of the organization's incident response capability.

Supplemental Guidance: Possible implementations of incident support resources in an organization include a help desk or an assistance group and access to forensics services, when required.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to increase the availability of incident response-related information and support.

LOW IR-7	**MOD** IR-7 (1)	**HIGH** IR-7 (1)

FAMILY: MAINTENANCE   **CLASS:** OPERATIONAL

MA-1   SYSTEM MAINTENANCE POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, information system maintenance policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the information system maintenance policy and associated system maintenance controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The information system maintenance policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The information system maintenance policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. System maintenance procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW MA-1	MOD MA-1	HIGH MA-1

MA-2   PERIODIC MAINTENANCE

Control: The organization schedules, performs, and documents routine preventative and regular maintenance on the components of the information system in accordance with manufacturer or vendor specifications and/or organizational requirements.

Supplemental Guidance: Appropriate organizational officials approve the removal of the information system or information system components from the facility when repairs are necessary. If the information system or component of the system requires off-site repair, the organization removes all information from associated media using approved procedures. After maintenance is performed on the information system, the organization checks the security features to ensure that they are still functioning properly.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization maintains a maintenance log for the information system that includes: (i) the date and time of maintenance; (ii) name of the individual performing the maintenance; (iii) name of escort, if necessary; (iv) a description of the maintenance performed; and (v) a list of equipment removed or replaced (including identification numbers, if applicable).

(2)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to ensure that periodic maintenance is scheduled and conducted as required, and that a log of maintenance actions, both needed and completed, is up to date, accurate, complete, and available.

LOW MA-2	MOD MA-2 (1)	HIGH MA-2 (1) (2)

MA-3   MAINTENANCE TOOLS

Control: The organization approves, controls, and monitors the use of information system maintenance tools and maintains the tools on an ongoing basis.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization inspects all maintenance tools (e.g., diagnostic and test equipment) carried into a facility by maintenance personnel for obvious improper modifications.

(2)   The organization checks all media containing diagnostic test programs (e.g., software or firmware used for system maintenance or diagnostics) for malicious code before the media are used in the information system.

(3)   The organization checks all maintenance equipment with the capability of retaining information to ensure that no organizational information is written on the equipment or the equipment is appropriately sanitized before release; if the equipment cannot be sanitized, the equipment remains within the facility or is destroyed, unless an appropriate organization official explicitly authorizes an exception.

(4)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to ensure only authorized personnel use maintenance tools.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** MA-3	**HIGH** MA-3 (1) (2) (3)

MA-4   REMOTE MAINTENANCE

Control: The organization approves, controls, and monitors remotely executed maintenance and diagnostic activities.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization describes the use of remote diagnostic tools in the security plan for the information system. The organization maintains maintenance logs for all remote maintenance, diagnostic, and service activities. Appropriate organization officials periodically review maintenance logs. Other techniques to consider for improving the security of remote maintenance include: (i) encryption and decryption of diagnostic communications; (ii) strong identification and authentication techniques, such as Level 3 or 4 tokens as described in NIST Special Publication 800-63; and (iii) remote disconnect verification. When remote maintenance is completed, the organization (or information system in certain cases) terminates all sessions and remote connections. If password-based authentication is used during remote maintenance, the organization changes the passwords following each remote maintenance service. For high-impact information systems, if remote diagnostic or maintenance services are required from a service or organization that does not implement for its own information system the same level of security as that implemented on the system being serviced, the system being serviced is sanitized and physically separated from other information systems before the connection of the remote access line. If the information system cannot be sanitized (e.g., due to a system failure), remote maintenance is not allowed.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization audits all remote maintenance sessions, and appropriate organizational personnel review the audit logs of the remote sessions.

(2)   The organization addresses the installation and use of remote diagnostic links in the security plan for the information system.

(3)   Remote diagnostic or maintenance services are acceptable if performed by a service or organization that implements for its own information system the same level of security as that implemented on the information system being serviced.

LOW MA-4	**MOD** MA-4	**HIGH** MA-4 (1) (2) (3)

MA-5   MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL

Control: The organization maintains a list of personnel authorized to perform maintenance on the information system. Only authorized personnel perform maintenance on the information system.

Supplemental Guidance: Maintenance personnel have appropriate access authorizations to the information system when maintenance activities allow access to organizational information. When maintenance personnel do not have needed access authorizations, organizational personnel with appropriate access authorizations supervise maintenance personnel during the performance of maintenance activities on the information system.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW MA-5	**MOD** MA-5	**HIGH** MA-5

MA-6   TIMELY MAINTENANCE

Control: The organization obtains maintenance support and spare parts for [*Assignment: organization-defined list of key information system components*] within [*Assignment: organization-defined time period*] of failure.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** MA-6	**HIGH** MA-6

FAMILY: MEDIA PROTECTION   **CLASS:** OPERATIONAL

MP-1   MEDIA PROTECTION POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, media protection policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the media protection policy and associated media protection controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The media protection policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The media protection policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Media protection procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW MP-1	**MOD** MP-1	**HIGH** MP-1

MP-2   MEDIA ACCESS

Control: The organization ensures that only authorized users have access to information in printed form or on digital media removed from the information system.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   Unless guard stations control access to media storage areas, the organization employs automated mechanisms to ensure only authorized access to such storage areas and to audit access attempts and access granted.

LOW MP-2	**MOD** MP-2	**HIGH** MP-2 (1)

MP-3   MEDIA LABELING

Control: The organization affixes external labels to removable information storage media and information system output indicating the distribution limitations and handling caveats of the information. The organization exempts the following specific types of media or hardware components from labeling so long as they remain within a secure environment: [*Assignment: organization-defined list of media types and hardware components*].

Supplemental Guidance: The organization marks human-readable output appropriately in accordance with applicable policies and procedures. At a minimum, the organization affixes printed output that is not otherwise appropriately marked, with cover sheets and labels digital media with the distribution limitations, handling caveats, and applicable security markings, if any, of the information.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** MP-3	**HIGH** MP-3

MP-4   **MEDIA STORAGE**

Control: The organization physically controls and securely stores information system media, both paper and electronic, based on the highest FIPS 199 security category of the information recorded on the media.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization protects information system media until the media are destroyed or sanitized using approved equipment, techniques, and procedures. The organization protects unmarked media at the highest FIPS 199 security category for the information system until the media are reviewed and appropriately labeled.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** MP-4	**HIGH** MP-4

MP-5   **MEDIA TRANSPORT**

Control: The organization controls information system media (paper and electronic) and restricts the pickup, receipt, transfer, and delivery of such media to authorized personnel.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** MP-5	**HIGH** MP-5

MP-6   **MEDIA SANITIZATION**

Control: The organization sanitizes information system digital media using approved equipment, techniques, and procedures. The organization tracks, documents, and verifies media sanitization actions and periodically tests sanitization equipment/procedures to ensure correct performance.

Supplemental Guidance: Sanitization is the process used to remove information from digital media such that information recovery is not possible. Sanitization includes removing all labels, markings, and activity logs. Sanitization techniques, including degaussing and overwriting memory locations, ensure that organizational information is not disclosed to unauthorized individuals when such media is reused or disposed. The National Security Agency maintains a listing of approved products at http://www.nsa.gov/ia/government/mdg.cfm with degaussing capability. The product selected is appropriate for the type of media being degaussed. NIST Special Publication 800-36 provides guidance on appropriate sanitization equipment, techniques and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** MP-6	**HIGH** MP-6

MP-7   MEDIA DESTRUCTION AND DISPOSAL

Control: The organization sanitizes or destroys information system digital media before its disposal or release for reuse outside the organization, to prevent unauthorized individuals from gaining access to and using the information contained on the media.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization: (i) sanitizes information system hardware and machine-readable media using approved methods before being released for reuse outside of the organization; or (ii) destroys the hardware/media. Media destruction and disposal should be accomplished in an environmentally approved manner. The National Security Agency provides media destruction guidance at http://www.nsa.gov/ia/government/mdg.cfm. The organization destroys information storage media when no longer needed in accordance with organization-approved methods and organizational policy and procedures. The organization tracks, documents, and verifies media destruction and disposal actions. The organization physically destroys nonmagnetic (optical) media (e.g., compact disks, digital video disks) in a safe and effective manner. NIST Special Publication 800-36 provides guidance on appropriate sanitization equipment, techniques and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW MP-7	**MOD** MP-7	**HIGH** MP-7

FAMILY: PHYSICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION   **CLASS:** OPERATIONAL

PE-1   PHYSICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, physical and environmental protection policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the physical and environmental protection policy and associated physical and environmental protection controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The physical and environmental protection policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The physical and environmental protection policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Physical and environmental protection procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PE-1	**MOD** PE-1	**HIGH** PE-1

PE-2   PHYSICAL ACCESS AUTHORIZATIONS

Control: The organization develops and keeps current lists of personnel with authorized access to facilities containing information systems (except for those areas within the facilities officially designated as publicly accessible) and issues appropriate authorization credentials (e.g., badges, identification cards, smart cards). Designated officials within the organization review and approve the access list and authorization credentials [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency, at least annually*].

Supplemental Guidance: The organization promptly removes personnel no longer requiring access from access lists.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PE-2	**MOD** PE-2	**HIGH** PE-2

PE-3   **PHYSICAL ACCESS CONTROL**

Control: The organization controls all physical access points (including designated entry/exit points) to facilities containing information systems (except for those areas within the facilities officially designated as publicly accessible) and verifies individual access authorizations before granting access to the facilities. The organization also controls access to areas officially designated as publicly accessible, as appropriate, in accordance with the organization's assessment of risk.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization uses physical access devices (e.g., keys, locks, combinations, card readers) and/or guards to control entry to facilities containing information systems. The organization secures keys, combinations, and other access devices and inventories those devices regularly. The organization changes combinations and keys: (i) periodically; and (ii) when keys are lost, combinations are compromised, or individuals are transferred or terminated. After an emergency-related event, the organization restricts reentry to facilities to authorized individuals only. Workstations and associated peripherals connected to (and part of) an organizational information system may be located in areas designated as publicly accessible with access to such devices being appropriately controlled.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PE-3	**MOD** PE-3	**HIGH** PE-3

PE-4   **ACCESS CONTROL FOR TRANSMISSION MEDIUM**

Control: The organization controls physical access to information system transmission lines carrying unencrypted information to prevent eavesdropping, in-transit modification, disruption, or physical tampering.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** Not Selected	**HIGH** Not Selected

PE-5   **ACCESS CONTROL FOR DISPLAY MEDIUM**

Control: The organization controls physical access to information system devices that display information to prevent unauthorized individuals from observing the display output.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** PE-5	**HIGH** PE-5

PE-6   MONITORING PHYSICAL ACCESS

Control: The organization monitors physical access to information systems to detect and respond to incidents.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization reviews physical access logs periodically, investigates apparent security violations or suspicious physical access activities, and takes remedial actions.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization monitors real-time intrusion alarms and surveillance equipment.

(2)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to ensure potential intrusions are recognized and appropriate response actions initiated.

LOW PE-6	**MOD** PE-6 (1)	**HIGH** PE-6 (1) (2)

PE-7   VISITOR CONTROL

Control: The organization controls physical access to information systems by authenticating visitors before authorizing access to facilities or areas other than areas designated as publicly accessible.

Supplemental Guidance: Government contractors and others with permanent authorization credentials are not considered visitors.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization escorts visitors and monitors visitor activity, when required.

LOW PE-7	**MOD** PE-7 (1)	**HIGH** PE-7 (1)

PE-8   ACCESS LOGS

Control: The organization maintains a visitor access log to facilities (except for those areas within the facilities officially designated as publicly accessible) that includes: (i) name and organization of the person visiting; (ii) signature of the visitor; (iii) form of identification; (iv) date of access; (v) time of entry and departure; (vi) purpose of visit; and (vii) name and organization of person visited. Designated officials within the organization review the access logs [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*] after closeout.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs automated mechanisms to facilitate the maintenance and review of access logs.

LOW PE-8	**MOD** PE-8 (1)	**HIGH** PE-8 (1)

PE-9   POWER EQUIPMENT AND POWER CABLING

Control: The organization protects power equipment and power cabling for the information system from damage and destruction.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs redundant and parallel power cabling paths.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** PE-9	**HIGH** PE-9

PE-10   EMERGENCY SHUTOFF

Control: For specific locations within a facility containing concentrations of information system resources (e.g., data centers, server rooms, mainframe rooms), the organization provides the capability of shutting off power to any information technology component that may be malfunctioning (e.g., due to an electrical fire) or threatened (e.g., due to a water leak) without endangering personnel by requiring them to approach the equipment.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** PE-10	**HIGH** PE-10

PE-11   EMERGENCY POWER

Control: The organization provides a short-term uninterruptible power supply to facilitate an orderly shutdown of the information system in the event of a primary power source loss.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization provides a long-term alternate power supply for the information system that is capable of maintaining minimally required operational capability in the event of an extended loss of the primary power source.

(2)   The organization provides a long-term alternate power supply for the information system that is self-contained and not reliant on external power generation.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** PE-11	**HIGH** PE-11 (1)

PE-12   EMERGENCY LIGHTING

Control: The organization employs and maintains automatic emergency lighting systems that activate in the event of a power outage or disruption and that cover emergency exits and evacuation routes.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PE-12	**MOD** PE-12	**HIGH** PE-12

PE-13   FIRE PROTECTION

Control: The organization employs and maintains fire suppression and detection devices/systems that can be activated in the event of a fire.

Supplemental Guidance: Fire suppression and detection devices/systems include, but are not limited to, sprinkler systems, handheld fire extinguishers, fixed fire hoses, and smoke detectors.

Control Enhancements:

(1) Fire suppression and detection devices/systems activate automatically in the event of a fire.

(2) Fire suppression and detection devices/systems provide automatic notification of any activation to the organization and emergency responders.

LOW PE-13	**MOD** PE-13 (1)	**HIGH** PE-13 (1) (2)

PE-14   TEMPERATURE AND HUMIDITY CONTROLS

Control: The organization regularly maintains within acceptable levels and monitors the temperature and humidity within facilities containing information systems.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PE-14	**MOD** PE-14	**HIGH** PE-14

PE-15   WATER DAMAGE PROTECTION

Control: The organization protects the information system from water damage resulting from broken plumbing lines or other sources of water leakage by ensuring that master shutoff valves are accessible, working properly, and known to key personnel.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1) The organization employs automated mechanisms to automatically close shutoff valves in the event of a significant water leak.

LOW PE-15	**MOD** PE-15	**HIGH** PE-15 (1)

PE-16   DELIVERY AND REMOVAL

Control: The organization controls information system-related items (i.e., hardware, firmware, software) entering and exiting the facility and maintains appropriate records of those items.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization controls delivery areas and, if possible, isolates the areas from the information system and media libraries to avoid unauthorized access. Appropriate organizational officials authorize the delivery or removal of information system-related items belonging to the organization.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PE-16	**MOD** PE-16	**HIGH** PE-16

PE-17   ALTERNATE WORK SITE

Control: Individuals within the organization employ appropriate information system security controls at alternate work sites.

Supplemental Guidance: NIST Special Publication 800-46 provides guidance on security in telecommuting and broadband communications. The organization provides a means for employees to communicate with information system security staff in case of security problems.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** PE-17	**HIGH** PE-17

FAMILY: PLANNING   **CLASS:** MANAGEMENT

PL-1   SECURITY PLANNING POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, security planning policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the security planning policy and associated security planning controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The security planning policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The security planning policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Security planning procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-18 provides guidance on security planning. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PL-1	**MOD** PL-1	**HIGH** PL-1

PL-2   SYSTEM SECURITY PLAN

Control: The organization develops and implements a security plan for the information system that provides an overview of the security requirements for the system and a description of the security controls in place or planned for meeting those requirements. Designated officials within the organization review and approve the plan.

Supplemental Guidance: NIST Special Publication 800-18 provides guidance on security planning.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PL-2	**MOD** PL-2	**HIGH** PL-2

PL-3   SYSTEM SECURITY PLAN UPDATE

Control: The organization reviews the security plan for the information system [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*] and revises the plan to address system/organizational changes or problems identified during plan implementation or security control assessments.

Supplemental Guidance: Significant changes are defined in advance by the organization and identified in the configuration management process.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PL-3	**MOD** PL-3	**HIGH** PL-3

PL-4   **RULES OF BEHAVIOR**

Control: The organization establishes and makes readily available to all information system users a set of rules that describes their responsibilities and expected behavior with regard to information system usage. The organization receives signed acknowledgement from users indicating that they have read, understand, and agree to abide by the rules of behavior, before authorizing access to the information system.

Supplemental Guidance: Electronic signatures are acceptable for use in acknowledging rules of behavior. NIST Special Publication 800-18 provides guidance on preparing rules of behavior.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PL-4	**MOD** PL-4	**HIGH** PL-4

PL-5   **PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

Control: The organization conducts a privacy impact assessment on the information system.

Supplemental Guidance: OMB Memorandum 03-22 provides guidance for implementing the privacy provisions of the E-Government Act of 2002.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PL-5	**MOD** PL-5	**HIGH** PL-5

FAMILY: PERSONNEL SECURITY   **CLASS:** OPERATIONAL

PS-1   PERSONNEL SECURITY POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, personnel security policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the personnel security policy and associated personnel security controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The personnel security policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The personnel security policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Personnel security procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PS-1	**MOD** PS-1	**HIGH** PS-1

PS-2   POSITION CATEGORIZATION

Control: The organization assigns a risk designation to all positions and establishes screening criteria for individuals filling those positions. The organization reviews and revises position risk designations [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*].

Supplemental Guidance: Position risk designations are consistent with 5 CFR 731.106(a) and Office of Personnel Management policy and guidance.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PS-2	**MOD** PS-2	**HIGH** PS-2

PS-3   PERSONNEL SCREENING

Control: The organization screens individuals requiring access to organizational information and information systems before authorizing access.

Supplemental Guidance: Screening is consistent with: (i) 5 CFR 731.106(a); (ii) Office of Personnel Management policy, regulations, and guidance; (iii) organizational policy, regulations, and guidance; (iv) FIPS 201 and Special Publications 800-73 and 800-76; and (v) the criteria established for the risk designation of the assigned position.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PS-3	**MOD** PS-3	**HIGH** PS-3

PS-4   PERSONNEL TERMINATION

Control: When employment is terminated, the organization terminates information system access, conducts exit interviews, ensures the return of all organizational information system-related property (e.g., keys, identification cards, building passes), and ensures that appropriate personnel have access to official records created by the terminated employee that are stored on organizational information systems.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PS-4	**MOD** PS-4	**HIGH** PS-4

PS-5   PERSONNEL TRANSFER

Control: The organization reviews information systems/facilities access authorizations when individuals are reassigned or transferred to other positions within the organization and initiates appropriate actions (e.g., reissuing keys, identification cards, building passes; closing old accounts and establishing new accounts; and changing system access authorizations).

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PS-5	**MOD** PS-5	**HIGH** PS-5

PS-6   ACCESS AGREEMENTS

Control: The organization completes appropriate access agreements (e.g., nondisclosure agreements, acceptable use agreements, rules of behavior, conflict-of-interest agreements) for individuals requiring access to organizational information and information systems before authorizing access.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PS-6	**MOD** PS-6	**HIGH** PS-6

PS-7   THIRD-PARTY PERSONNEL SECURITY

Control: The organization establishes personnel security requirements for third-party providers (e.g., service bureaus, contractors, and other organizations providing information system development, information technology services, outsourced applications, network and security management) and monitors provider compliance to ensure adequate security.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization explicitly includes personnel security requirements in acquisition-related documents. NIST Special Publication 800-35 provides guidance on information technology security services.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PS-7	**MOD** PS-7	**HIGH** PS-7

PS-8   **PERSONNEL SANCTIONS**

Control: The organization employs a formal sanctions process for personnel failing to comply with established information security policies and procedures.

Supplemental Guidance: The sanctions process is consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The sanctions process can be included as part of the general personnel policies and procedures for the organization.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW PS-8	MOD PS-8	HIGH PS-8

FAMILY: RISK ASSESSMENT   **CLASS:** MANAGEMENT

RA-1   RISK ASSESSMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented risk assessment policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the risk assessment policy and associated risk assessment controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The risk assessment policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The risk assessment policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. Risk assessment procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publications 800-30 provides guidance on the assessment of risk. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW RA-1	**MOD** RA-1	**HIGH** RA-1

RA-2   SECURITY CATEGORIZATION

Control: The organization categorizes the information system and the information processed, stored, or transmitted by the system in accordance with FIPS 199 and documents the results (including supporting rationale) in the system security plan. Designated senior-level officials within the organization review and approve the security categorizations.

Supplemental Guidance: NIST Special Publication 800-60 provides guidance on determining the security categories of the information types resident on the information system. The organization conducts security categorizations as an organization-wide activity with the involvement of the chief information officer, senior agency information security officer, information system owners, and information owners.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW RA-2	**MOD** RA-2	**HIGH** RA-2

RA-3   RISK ASSESSMENT

Control: The organization conducts assessments of the risk and magnitude of harm that could result from the unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction of information and information systems that support the operations and assets of the agency.

Supplemental Guidance: Risk assessments take into account vulnerabilities, threat sources, and security controls planned or in place to determine the resulting level of residual risk posed to organizational operations, organizational assets, or individuals based on the operation of the information system. NIST Special Publication 800-30 provides guidance on conducting risk assessments including threat, vulnerability, and impact assessments.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW RA-3	**MOD** RA-3	**HIGH** RA-3

RA-4   RISK ASSESSMENT UPDATE

Control: The organization updates the risk assessment [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*] or whenever there are significant changes to the information system, the facilities where the system resides, or other conditions that may impact the security or accreditation status of the system.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization develops and documents specific criteria for what is considered significant change to the information system. NIST Special Publication 800-30 provides guidance on conducting risk assessment updates.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW RA-4	**MOD** RA-4	**HIGH** RA-4

RA-5   VULNERABILITY SCANNING

Control: Using appropriate vulnerability scanning tools and techniques, the organization scans for vulnerabilities in the information system [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*] or when significant new vulnerabilities affecting the system are identified and reported.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization trains selected personnel in the use and maintenance of vulnerability scanning tools and techniques. The information obtained from the vulnerability scanning process is freely shared with appropriate personnel throughout the organization to help eliminate similar vulnerabilities in other information systems. Vulnerability analysis for custom software and applications may require additional, more specialized approaches (e.g., vulnerability scanning tools for applications, source code reviews, static analysis of source code). NIST Special Publication 800-42 provides guidance on network security testing. NIST Special Publication 800-40 provides guidance on handling security patches.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   Vulnerability scanning tools include the capability to readily update the list of vulnerabilities scanned.

(2)   The organization updates the list of information system vulnerabilities [*Assignment: organization-defined frequency*] or when significant new vulnerabilities are identified and reported.

(3)   Vulnerability scanning procedures include means to ensure adequate scan coverage, both vulnerabilities checked and information system components scanned.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** RA-5	**HIGH** RA-5 (1) (2)

FAMILY: SYSTEM AND SERVICES ACQUISITION   **CLASS:** MANAGEMENT

SA-1   SYSTEM AND SERVICES ACQUISITION POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, system and services acquisition policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the system and services acquisition policy and associated system and services acquisition controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The system and services acquisition policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The system and services acquisition policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. System and services acquisition procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

| **LOW** SA-1 | **MOD** SA-1 | **HIGH** SA-1 |

SA-2   ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES

Control: The organization determines, documents, and allocates as part of its capital planning and investment control process the resources required to adequately protect the information system.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization includes the determination of security requirements for the information system in mission/business case planning and establishes a discrete line item for information system security in the organization's programming and budgeting documentation. NIST Special Publication 800-65 provides guidance on integrating security into the capital planning and investment control process.

Control Enhancements: None.

| **LOW** SA-2 | **MOD** SA-2 | **HIGH** SA-2 |

SA-3   LIFE CYCLE SUPPORT

Control: The organization manages the information system using a system development life cycle methodology that includes information security considerations.

Supplemental Guidance: NIST Special Publication 800-64 provides guidance on security considerations in the system development life cycle.

Control Enhancements: None.

| **LOW** SA-3 | **MOD** SA-3 | **HIGH** SA-3 |

SA-4   ACQUISITIONS

Control: The organization includes security requirements and/or security specifications, either explicitly or by reference, in information system acquisition contracts based on an assessment of risk.

Supplemental Guidance:

Solicitation Documents
The solicitation documents (e.g., Requests for Proposals) for information systems and services include, either explicitly or by reference, security requirements that describe: (i) required security capabilities; (ii) required design and development processes; (iii) required test and evaluation procedures; and (iv) required documentation. The requirements in the solicitation documents permit updating security controls as new threats/vulnerabilities are identified and as new technologies are implemented. NIST Special Publication 800-53 provides guidance on recommended security controls for federal information systems to meet minimum security requirements for information systems categorized in accordance with FIPS 199. NIST Special Publication 800-36 provides guidance on the selection of information security products. NIST Special Publication 800-35 provides guidance on information technology security services. NIST Special Publication 800-64 provides guidance on security considerations in the system development life cycle.

Use of Tested, Evaluated, and Validated Products
NIST Special Publication 800-23 provides guidance on the acquisition and use of tested/evaluated information technology products.

Configuration Settings and Implementation Guidance
The information system required documentation includes security configuration settings and security implementation guidance. NIST Special Publication 800-70 provides guidance on configuration settings for information technology products.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW SA-4	MOD SA-4	HIGH SA-4

SA-5   INFORMATION SYSTEM DOCUMENTATION

Control: The organization ensures that adequate documentation for the information system and its constituent components is available, protected when required, and distributed to authorized personnel.

Supplemental Guidance: Administrator and user guides include information on: (i) configuring, installing, and operating the information system; and (ii) optimizing the system's security features. NIST Special Publication 800-70 provides guidance on configuration settings for information technology products.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization includes documentation describing the functional properties of the security controls employed within the information system with sufficient detail to permit analysis and testing of the controls.

(2)   The organization includes documentation describing the design and implementation details of the security controls employed within the information system with sufficient detail to permit analysis and testing of the controls (including functional interfaces among control components).

LOW SA-5	MOD SA-5 (1)	HIGH SA-5 (1) (2)

SA-6   **SOFTWARE USAGE RESTRICTIONS**

Control: The organization complies with software usage restrictions.

Supplemental Guidance: Software and associated documentation is used in accordance with contract agreements and copyright laws. For software and associated documentation protected by quantity licenses, the organization employs tracking systems to control copying and distribution. The organization controls and documents the use of publicly accessible peer-to-peer file sharing technology to ensure that this capability is not used for the unauthorized distribution, display, performance, or reproduction of copyrighted work.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW SA-6	**MOD** SA-6	**HIGH** SA-6

SA-7   **USER INSTALLED SOFTWARE**

Control: The organization enforces explicit rules governing the downloading and installation of software by users.

Supplemental Guidance: If provided the necessary privileges, users have the ability to download and install software. The organization identifies what types of software downloads and installations are permitted (e.g., updates and security patches to existing software) and what types of downloads and installations are prohibited (e.g., software that is free only for personal, not government, use). The organization also restricts the use of install-on-demand software.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW SA-7	**MOD** SA-7	**HIGH** SA-7

SA-8   **SECURITY DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

Control: The organization designs and implements the information system using security engineering principles.

Supplemental Guidance: NIST Special Publication 800-27 provides guidance on engineering principles for information system security.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SA-8	**HIGH** SA-8

SA-9   OUTSOURCED INFORMATION SYSTEM SERVICES

Control: The organization ensures that third-party providers of information system services employ adequate security controls in accordance with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, guidance, and established service level agreements. The organization monitors security control compliance.

Supplemental Guidance: Third-party providers are subject to the same information system security policies and procedures of the supported organization, and must conform to the same security control and documentation requirements as would apply to the organization's internal systems. Appropriate organizational officials approve outsourcing of information system services to third-party providers (e.g., service bureaus, contractors, and other external organizations). The outsourced information system services documentation includes government, service provider, and end user security roles and responsibilities, and any service level agreements. Service level agreements define the expectations of performance for each required security control, describe measurable outcomes, and identify remedies and response requirements for any identified instance of non-compliance. NIST Special Publication 800-35 provides guidance on information technology security services. NIST Special Publication 800-64 provides guidance on the security considerations in the system development life cycle.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW SA-9	**MOD** SA-9	**HIGH** SA-9

SA-10   DEVELOPER CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT

Control: The information system developer creates and implements a configuration management plan that controls changes to the system during development, tracks security flaws, requires authorization of changes, and provides documentation of the plan and its implementation.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** Not Selected	**HIGH** SA-10

SA-11   DEVELOPER SECURITY TESTING

Control: The information system developer creates a security test and evaluation plan, implements the plan, and documents the results. Developmental security test results may be used in support of the security certification and accreditation process for the delivered information system.

Supplemental Guidance: Developmental security test results should only be used when no security relevant modifications of the information system have been made subsequent to developer testing and after selective verification of developer test results.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SA-11	**HIGH** SA-11

FAMILY: SYSTEM AND COMMUNICATIONS PROTECTION   **CLASS:** TECHNICAL

SC-1   SYSTEM AND COMMUNICATIONS PROTECTION POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, system and communications protection policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the system and communications protection policy and associated system and communications protection controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The system and communications protection policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The system and communications protection policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. System and communications protection procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW SC-1	**MOD** SC-1	**HIGH** SC-1

SC-2   APPLICATION PARTITIONING

Control: The information system separates user functionality (including user interface services) from information system management functionality.

Supplemental Guidance: The information system physically or logically separates user interface services (e.g., public web pages) from information storage and management services (e.g., database management). Separation may be accomplished through the use of different computers, different central processing units, different instances of the operating system, different network addresses, combinations of these methods, or other methods as appropriate.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SC-2	**HIGH** SC-2

SC-3   **SECURITY FUNCTION ISOLATION**

Control: The information system isolates security functions from nonsecurity functions.

Supplemental Guidance: The information system isolates security functions from nonsecurity functions by means of partitions, domains, etc., including control of access to and integrity of, the hardware, software, and firmware that perform those security functions. The information system maintains a separate execution domain (e.g., address space) for each executing process.

Control Enhancements:

(1) The information system employs underlying hardware separation mechanisms to facilitate security function isolation.

(2) The information system further divides the security functions with the functions enforcing access and information flow control isolated and protected from both nonsecurity functions and from other security functions.

(3) The information system minimizes the amount of nonsecurity functions included within the isolation boundary containing security functions.

(4) The information system security maintains its security functions in largely independent modules that avoid unnecessary interactions between modules.

(5) The information system security maintains its security functions in a layered structure minimizing interactions between layers of the design.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** Not Selected	**HIGH** SC-3

SC-4   **INFORMATION REMNANTS**

Control: The information system prevents unauthorized and unintended information transfer via shared system resources.

Supplemental Guidance: Control of information system remnants, sometimes referred to as object reuse, prevents information, including encrypted representations of information, produced by the actions of a prior user/role (or the actions of a process acting on behalf of a prior user/role) from being available to any current user/role (or current process) that obtains access to a shared system resource (e.g., registers, main memory, secondary storage) after that resource has been released back to the information system.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SC-4	**HIGH** SC-4

SC-5   DENIAL OF SERVICE PROTECTION

Control: The information system protects against or limits the effects of the following types of denial of service attacks: [*Assignment: organization-defined list of types of denial of service attacks or reference to source for current list*].

Supplemental Guidance: A variety of technologies exist to limit, or in some cases, eliminate the effects of denial of service attacks. For example, network perimeter devices can filter certain types of packets to protect devices on an organization's internal network from being directly affected by denial of service attacks. Information systems that are publicly accessible can be protected by employing increased capacity and bandwidth combined with service redundancy.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The information system restricts the ability of users to launch denial of service attacks against other information systems or networks.

(2)   The information system manages excess capacity, bandwidth, or other redundancy to limit the effects of information flooding types of denial of service attacks.

LOW SC-5	**MOD** SC-5	**HIGH** SC-5

SC-6   RESOURCE PRIORITY

Control: The information system limits the use of resources by priority.

Supplemental Guidance: Priority protection ensures that a lower-priority process is not able to interfere with the information system servicing any higher-priority process.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SC-6	**HIGH** SC-6

SC-7   BOUNDARY PROTECTION

Control: The information system monitors and controls communications at the external boundary of the information system and at key internal boundaries within the system.

Supplemental Guidance: Any connections to the Internet, or other external networks or information systems, occur through controlled interfaces (e.g., proxies, gateways, routers, firewalls, encrypted tunnels). The operational failure of the boundary protection mechanisms does not result in any unauthorized release of information outside of the information system boundary. Information system boundary protections at any designated alternate processing sites provide the same levels of protection as that of the primary site.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization physically allocates publicly accessible information system components (e.g., public web servers) to separate subnetworks with separate, physical network interfaces. The organization prevents public access into the organization's internal networks except as appropriately mediated.

LOW SC-7	**MOD** SC-7 (1)	**HIGH** SC-7 (1)

SC-8   TRANSMISSION INTEGRITY

Control: The information system protects the integrity of transmitted information.

Supplemental Guidance: The FIPS 199 security category (for integrity) of the information being transmitted should guide the decision on the use of cryptographic mechanisms. NSTISSI No. 7003 contains guidance on the use of Protective Distribution Systems.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs cryptographic mechanisms to ensure recognition of changes to information during transmission unless otherwise protected by alternative physical measures (e.g., protective distribution systems).

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SC-8	**HIGH** SC-8 (1)

SC-9   TRANSMISSION CONFIDENTIALITY

Control: The information system protects the confidentiality of transmitted information.

Supplemental Guidance: The FIPS 199 security category (for confidentiality) of the information being transmitted should guide the decision on the use of cryptographic mechanisms. NSTISSI No. 7003 contains guidance on the use of Protective Distribution Systems.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization employs cryptographic mechanisms to prevent unauthorized disclosure of information during transmission unless protected by alternative physical measures (e.g., protective distribution systems).

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SC-9	**HIGH** SC-9 (1)

SC-10   NETWORK DISCONNECT

Control: The information system terminates a network connection at the end of a session or after [*Assignment: organization-defined time period*] of inactivity.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SC-10	**HIGH** SC-10

SC-11   TRUSTED PATH

Control: The information system establishes a trusted communications path between the user and the security functionality of the system.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** Not Selected	**HIGH** Not Selected

SC-12   CRYPTOGRAPHIC KEY ESTABLISHMENT AND MANAGEMENT

Control: The information system employs automated mechanisms with supporting procedures or manual procedures for cryptographic key establishment and key management.

Supplemental Guidance: NIST Special Publication 800-56 provides guidance on cryptographic key establishment. NIST Special Publication 800-57 provides guidance on cryptographic key management.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SC-12	**HIGH** SC-12

SC-13   USE OF VALIDATED CRYPTOGRAPHY

Control: When cryptography is employed within the information system, the system performs all cryptographic operations (including key generation) using FIPS 140-2 validated cryptographic modules operating in approved modes of operation.

Supplemental Guidance: NIST Special Publication 800-56 provides guidance on cryptographic key establishment. NIST Special Publication 800-57 provides guidance on cryptographic key management.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW SC-13	**MOD** SC-13	**HIGH** SC-13

SC-14   PUBLIC ACCESS PROTECTIONS

Control: For publicly available systems, the information system protects the integrity of the information and applications.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW SC-14	**MOD** SC-14	**HIGH** SC-14

SC-15   COLLABORATIVE COMPUTING

Control: The information system prohibits remote activation of collaborative computing mechanisms (e.g., video and audio conferencing) and provides an explicit indication of use to the local users (e.g., use of camera or microphone).

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The information system provides physical disconnect of camera and microphone in a manner that supports ease of use.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SC-15	**HIGH** SC-15

SC-16   TRANSMISSION OF SECURITY PARAMETERS

Control: The information system reliably associates security parameters (e.g., security labels and markings) with information exchanged between information systems.

Supplemental Guidance: Security parameters may be explicitly or implicitly associated with the information contained within the information system.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** Not Selected	**HIGH** Not Selected

SC-17   PUBLIC KEY INFRASTRUCTURE CERTIFICATES

Control: The organization develops and implements a certificate policy and certification practice statement for the issuance of public key certificates used in the information system.

Supplemental Guidance: Registration to receive a public key certificate includes authorization by a supervisor or a responsible official, and is done by a secure process that verifies the identity of the certificate holder and ensures that the certificate is issued to the intended party. NIST Special Publication 800-63 provides guidance on remote electronic authentication.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SC-17	**HIGH** SC-17

SC-18   MOBILE CODE

Control: The organization: (i) establishes usage restrictions and implementation guidance for mobile code technologies based on the potential to cause damage to the information system if used maliciously; and (ii) documents, monitors, and controls the use of mobile code within the information system. Appropriate organizational officials authorize the use of mobile code.

Supplemental Guidance: Mobile code technologies include, for example, Java, JavaScript, ActiveX, PDF, Postscript, Shockwave movies, Flash animations, and VBScript. Usage restrictions and implementation guidance apply to both the selection and use of mobile code installed on organizational servers and mobile code downloaded and executed on individual workstations. Control procedures prevent the development, acquisition, or introduction of unacceptable mobile code within the information system. NIST Special Publication 800-28 provides guidance on active content and mobile code. Additional information on risk-based approaches for the implementation of mobile code technologies can be found at: http://iase.disa.mil/mcp/index.html.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SC-18	**HIGH** SC-18

SC-19   VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL

Control: The organization: (i) establishes usage restrictions and implementation guidance for Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) technologies based on the potential to cause damage to the information system if used maliciously; and (ii) documents, monitors, and controls the use of VOIP within the information system. Appropriate organizational officials authorize the use of VOIP.

Supplemental Guidance: NIST Special Publication 800-58 provides guidance on security considerations for VOIP technologies employed in information systems.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	MOD SC-19	HIGH SC-19

FAMILY: SYSTEM AND INFORMATION INTEGRITY   **CLASS:** OPERATIONAL

SI-1   **SYSTEM AND INFORMATION INTEGRITY POLICY AND PROCEDURES**

Control: The organization develops, disseminates, and periodically reviews/updates: (i) a formal, documented, system and information integrity policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, and compliance; and (ii) formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the system and information integrity policy and associated system and information integrity controls.

Supplemental Guidance: The system and information integrity policy and procedures are consistent with applicable federal laws, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance. The system and information integrity policy can be included as part of the general information security policy for the organization. System and information integrity procedures can be developed for the security program in general, and for a particular information system, when required. NIST Special Publication 800-12 provides guidance on security policies and procedures.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW SI-1	MOD SI-1	HIGH SI-1

SI-2   **FLAW REMEDIATION**

Control: The organization identifies, reports, and corrects information system flaws.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization identifies information systems containing proprietary or open source software affected by recently announced software flaws (and potential vulnerabilities resulting from those flaws). Proprietary software can be found in either commercial/government off-the-shelf information technology component products or in custom-developed applications. The organization (or the software developer/vendor in the case of software developed and maintained by a vendor/contractor) promptly installs newly released security relevant patches, service packs, and hot fixes, and tests patches, service packs, and hot fixes for effectiveness and potential side effects on the organization's information systems before installation. Flaws discovered during security assessments, continuous monitoring (see security controls CA-2, CA-4, or CA-7), or incident response activities (see security control IR-4) should also be addressed expeditiously. NIST Special Publication 800-40 provides guidance on security patch installation.

Control Enhancements:

(1)   **The organization centrally manages the flaw remediation process and installs updates automatically without individual user intervention.**

(2)   **The organization employs automated mechanisms to periodically and upon command determine the state of information system components with regard to flaw remediation.**

LOW SI-2	MOD SI-2	HIGH SI-2

SI-3   **MALICIOUS CODE PROTECTION**

Control: The information system implements malicious code protection that includes a capability for automatic updates.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization employs virus protection mechanisms at critical information system entry and exit points (e.g., firewalls, electronic mail servers, remote-access servers) and at workstations, servers, or mobile computing devices on the network. The organization uses the virus protection mechanisms to detect and eradicate malicious code (e.g., viruses, worms, Trojan horses) transported: (i) by electronic mail, electronic mail attachments, Internet accesses, removable media (e.g., diskettes or compact disks), or other common means; or (ii) by exploiting information system vulnerabilities. The organization updates virus protection mechanisms (including the latest virus definitions) whenever new releases are available in accordance with organizational configuration management policy and procedures. Consideration is given to using virus protection software products from multiple vendors (e.g., using one vendor for boundary devices and servers and another vendor for workstations).

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization centrally manages virus protection mechanisms.

(2)   The information system automatically updates virus protection mechanisms.

LOW SI-3	**MOD** SI-3 (1)	**HIGH** SI-3 (1) (2)

SI-4   **INTRUSION DETECTION TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES**

Control: The organization employs tools and techniques to monitor events on the information system, detect attacks, and provide identification of unauthorized use of the system.

Supplemental Guidance: Intrusion detection and information system monitoring capability can be achieved through a variety of tools and techniques (e.g., intrusion detection systems, virus protection software, log monitoring software, network forensic analysis tools).

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization networks individual intrusion detection tools into a systemwide intrusion detection system using common protocols.

(2)   The organization employs automated tools to support near-real-time analysis of events in support of detecting system-level attacks.

(3)   The organization employs automated tools to integrate intrusion detection tools into access control and flow control mechanisms for rapid response to attacks by enabling reconfiguration of these mechanisms in support of attack isolation and elimination.

(4)   The information system monitors outbound communications for unusual or unauthorized activities indicating the presence of malware (e.g., malicious code, spyware, adware).

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SI-4	**HIGH** SI-4

SI-5 **SECURITY ALERTS AND ADVISORIES**

Control: The organization receives information system security alerts/advisories on a regular basis, issues alerts/advisories to appropriate personnel, and takes appropriate actions in response.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization documents the types of actions to be taken in response to security alerts/advisories.

Control Enhancements:

(1) **The organization employs automated mechanisms to make security alert and advisory information available throughout the organization as needed.**

LOW SI-5	**MOD** SI-5	**HIGH** SI-5

SI-6 **SECURITY FUNCTIONALITY VERIFICATION**

Control: The information system verifies the correct operation of security functions [*Selection (one or more): upon system startup and restart, upon command by user with appropriate privilege, periodically every* [*Assignment: organization-defined time-period*]] and [*Selection (one or more): notifies system administrator, shuts the system down, restarts the system*] when anomalies are discovered.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements:

(1) **The organization employs automated mechanisms to provide notification of failed security tests.**

(2) **The organization employs automated mechanisms to support management of distributed security testing.**

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SI-6	**HIGH** SI-6 (1)

SI-7 **SOFTWARE AND INFORMATION INTEGRITY**

Control: The information system detects and protects against unauthorized changes to software and information.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization employs integrity verification applications on the information system to look for evidence of information tampering, errors, and omissions. The organization employs good software engineering practices with regard to commercial off-the-shelf integrity mechanisms (e.g., parity checks, cyclical redundancy checks, cryptographic hashes) and uses tools to automatically monitor the integrity of the information system and the applications it hosts.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** Not Selected	**HIGH** SI-7

SI-8   **SPAM AND SPYWARE PROTECTION**

Control: The information system implements spam and spyware protection.

Supplemental Guidance: The organization employs spam and spyware protection mechanisms at critical information system entry points (e.g., firewalls, electronic mail servers, remote-access servers) and at workstations, servers, or mobile computing devices on the network. The organization uses the spam and spyware protection mechanisms to detect and take appropriate action on unsolicited messages and spyware/adware, respectively, transported by electronic mail, electronic mail attachments, Internet accesses, removable media (e.g., diskettes or compact disks), or other common means. Consideration is given to using spam and spyware protection software products from multiple vendors (e.g., using one vendor for boundary devices and servers and another vendor for workstations).

Control Enhancements:

(1)   The organization centrally manages spam and spyware protection mechanisms.

(2)   The information system automatically updates spam and spyware protection mechanisms.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SI-8	**HIGH** SI-8 (1)

SI-9   **INFORMATION INPUT RESTRICTIONS**

Control: The organization restricts the information input to the information system to authorized personnel only.

Supplemental Guidance: Restrictions on personnel authorized to input information to the information system may extend beyond the typical access controls employed by the system and include limitations based on specific operational/project responsibilities.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SI-9	**HIGH** SI-9

SI-10   **INFORMATION INPUT ACCURACY, COMPLETENESS, AND VALIDITY**

Control: The information system checks information inputs for accuracy, completeness, and validity.

Supplemental Guidance: Checks for accuracy, completeness, and validity of information should be accomplished as close to the point of origin as possible. Rules for checking the valid syntax of information system inputs (e.g., character set, length, numerical range, acceptable values) are in place to ensure that inputs match specified definitions for format and content. Inputs passed to interpreters should be prescreened to ensure the content is not unintentionally interpreted as commands. The extent to which the information system is able to check the accuracy, completeness, and validity of information inputs should be guided by organizational policy and operational requirements.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SI-10	**HIGH** SI-10

SI-11   **ERROR HANDLING**

Control: The information system identifies and handles error conditions in an expeditious manner.

Supplemental Guidance: The structure and content of error messages should be carefully considered by the organization. User error messages generated by the information system should provide timely and useful information to users without revealing information that could be exploited by adversaries. System error messages should be revealed only to authorized personnel (e.g., systems administrators, maintenance personnel). Sensitive information (e.g., account numbers, social security numbers, and credit card numbers) should not be listed in error logs or associated administrative messages. The extent to which the information system is able to identify and handle error conditions should be guided by organizational policy and operational requirements.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SI-11	**HIGH** SI-11

SI-12   **INFORMATION OUTPUT HANDLING AND RETENTION**

Control: The organization handles and retains output from the information system in accordance with organizational policy and operational requirements.

Supplemental Guidance: None.

Control Enhancements: None.

LOW Not Selected	**MOD** SI-12	**HIGH** SI-12

SECURITY CONTROL MAPPINGS
RELATIONSHIP OF SECURITY CONTROLS TO OTHER STANDARDS AND CONTROL SETS

T he mapping table in this appendix provides organizations with a *general* indication of Special Publication 800-53 security control coverage with respect to other frequently referenced security control standards and control sets.[32] The security control mappings are not exhaustive and are based on a broad interpretation and general understanding of the control sets being compared. The mappings are created by using the primary security topic identified in each of the Special Publication 800-53 security controls and associated control enhancements (if any) and searching for a similar security topic in the other referenced security control standards and control sets. Security controls with similar functional meaning are included in the mapping table. For example, Special Publication 800-53 contingency planning and ISO/IEC 17799 business continuity were deemed to have similar, but not exactly the same, functionality. In some instances, similar topics are addressed in the security control sets but provide a different context, perspective, or scope. For example, Special Publication 800-53 addresses information flow broadly in terms of assigned authorizations for controlling access between source and destination objects, whereas ISO/IEC 17799 addresses the information flow more narrowly as it applies to interconnected network domains. And finally, the following cautionary notes are in order:

- The granularity of the security controls sets being compared is not always the same. This difference in granularity makes the security control mappings less precise in some instances. Therefore, the mappings should not be used as a "checklist" for the express purpose of comparing security capabilities or security implementations across information systems assessed against different control sets.

- Some of the control sets referenced in this appendix (e.g., Department of Defense Instruction 8500.2) are organized into groups of security controls with each group reflecting different levels of protection. When the security control groups reflect a hierarchical enhancement of another group, only the paragraph reference from the lowest hierarchical group where the security topic first occurred is listed in the mapping column.

Organizations are encouraged to use the mapping table only as a starting point for conducting further analyses and interpretation of control similarity and associated coverage when comparing disparate control sets.

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[32] The security control mapping table includes references to: (i) ISO/IEC FDIS 17799:2004Nov28, *Code of Practice for Information Security Management*; (ii) NIST Special Publication 800-26, *Security Self-Assessment Guide for Information Technology Systems*; (iii) GAO, *Federal Information System Controls Audit Manual*; (iv) Director of Central Intelligence Directive 6/3 Policy and Manual, *Protecting Sensitive Compartmented Information within Information Systems*; and (v) Department of Defense Instruction 8500.2, *Information Assurance Implementation*. The designations in the respective columns indicate the paragraph identifier(s) or number(s) in the above documents where the security controls, control objectives, or associated implementation guidance may be found.

CNTL NO.	CONTROL NAME	ISO 17799	NIST 800-26	GAO FISCAM	DOD 8500.2	DCID 6/3[33]
Access Control						
AC-1	Access Control Policy and Procedures	11.1.1 11.4.1 15.1.1	15. 16.	---	ECAN-1 ECPA-1 PRAS-1 DCAR-1	2.B.4.e(5) 4.B.1.a(1)(b)
AC-2	Account Management	6.2.2 6.2.3 8.3.3 11.2.1 11.2.2 11.2.4 11.7.2	6.1.8 15.1.1 15.1.4 15.1.5 15.1.8 15.2.2 16.1.3 16.1.5 16.2.12	AC-2.1 AC-2.2 AC-3.2 SP-4.1	IAAC-1	4.B.2.a(3)
AC-3	Access Enforcement	11.2.4 11.4.5	10.1.2 15.1.1 16.1.1 16.1.2 16.1.3 16.1.7 16.1.9 16.2.1 16.2.7 16.2.10 16.2.11	AC-2 AC-3.2	DCFA-1 ECAN-1 EBRU-1 PRNK-1 ECCD-1 ECSD-2	Discretionary Access Control (DAC): 4.B.2.a(2) Mandatory Access Control (MAC): 4.B.4.a(3)
AC-4	Information Flow Enforcement	10.6.2 11.4.5 11.4.6 11.4.7	---	---	EBBD-1 EBBD-2	4.B.3.a(3) 7.B.3.g
AC-5	Separation of Duties	10.1.3 10.6.1 10.10.1	6.1.1 6.1.2 6.1.3 15.2.1 16.1.2 17.1.5	AC-3.2 SD-1.2	ECLP-1	2.A.1 4.B.3.a(18)
AC-6	Least Privilege	11.2.2	16.1.2 16.1.3 17.1.5	AC-3.2	ECLP-1	4.B.2.a(10)
AC-7	Unsuccessful Login Attempts	11.5.1	15.1.14	AC-3.2	ECLO-1	4.B.2.a(17)(c)-(d)
AC-8	System Use Notification	11.5.1 15.1.5	12.1.4 16.2.13 16.3.1	AC-3.2	ECWM-1	4.B.1.a(6)
AC-9	Previous Logon Notification	11.5.1	---	AC-3.2	ECLO-2	---
AC-10	Concurrent Session Control	---	---	---	ECLO-1	4.B.2.a(17)(a)

CNTL NO.	CONTROL NAME	ISO 17799	NIST 800-26	GAO FISCAM	DOD 8500.2	DCID 6/3[33]
AC-11	Session Lock	11.3.2	16.1.4	AC-3.2	PESL-1	4.B.1.a(5)
AC-12	Session Termination	11.3.2 11.5.5	16.1.4 16.2.6	AC-3.2	---	4.B.2.a(17)(b)
AC-13	Supervision and Review—Access Control	10.10.2 11.2.4	7.1.10 11.2.2 16.1.10 16.2.5 17.1.6 17.1.7	AC-4 AC-4.3 SS-2.2	ECAT-1 ECAT-2 E3.3.9	2.B.7.c 4.B.3.a(8)(b)
AC-14	Permitted Actions without Identification or Authentication	---	16.2.12	---	---	7.D.3.a
AC-15	Automated Marking	7.2.2	8.2.4 16.1.6	AC-3.2	ECML-1	4.B.2.a(11)
AC-16	Automated Labeling	7.2.2	16.1.6	AC-3.2	ECML-1	4.B.1.a(3) 4.B.4.a(15) 4.B.4.a(16)
AC-17	Remote Access	11.4.2 11.4.3 11.4.4	16.2.4 16.2.8	AC-3.2	EBRP-1 EBRU-1	4.B.1.a(1)(b) 4.B.3.a(11) 7.D.2.e
AC-18	Wireless Access Restrictions	11.4.2 11.7.1 11.7.2	---	---	ECCT-1 ECWN-1	4.B.1.a(8) 5.B.3.a(11)
AC-19	Access Control for Portable and Mobile Systems	11.7.1	7.3.1 7.3.2	---	ECWN-1	8.B.6.c 9.G.4
AC-20	Personally Owned Information Systems	6.1.4 9.2.5 11.7.1	10.2.13	---	---	8.B.6.c
Awareness and Training						
AT-1	Security Awareness and Training Policy and Procedures	5.1.1 8.2.2 15.1.1	13.	---	PRTN-1 DCAR-1	DCID: B.3.c Manual: 2.B.2.b(8); 2.B.4.e(6)
AT-2	Security Awareness	6.2.3 8.2.2 10.4.1 11.7.1 13.1.1 14.1.4 15.1.4	13.1.4	---	PRTN-1	8.B.1
AT-3	Security Training	8.2.2 10.3.2 11.7.1 13.1.1 14.1.4	13.1 13.1.3	---	PRTN-1	8.B.1
AT-4	Security Training Records	---	13.1.2	---	---	8.B.1
Audit and Accountability						
AU-1	Audit and Accountability Policy and Procedures	10.10 15.1.1	17.	---	ECAT-1 ECTB-1 DCAR-1	DCID: B.2.d Manual: 2.B.4.e(5); 4.B.2.a(4)
AU-2	Auditable Events	10.10.1	17.1.1 17.1.2 17.1.4	---	ECAR-3	4.B.2.a(4)(d)

CNTL NO.	CONTROL NAME	ISO 17799	NIST 800-26	GAO FISCAM	DOD 8500.2	DCID 6/3[33]
AU-3	Content of Audit Records	10.10.1 10.10.4	17.1.1	---	ECAR-1 ECAR-2 ECAR-3 ECLC-1	4.B.2.a(4)(a) 4.B.2.a(5)(a)
AU-4	Audit Storage Capacity	10.10.3	---	---	---	5.B.2.a(5)(a)(1)
AU-5	Audit Processing	10.10.3	---	---	---	4.B.4.a(9)(d)
AU-6	Audit Monitoring, Analysis, and Reporting	10.10.2 10.10.4 13.2.1	16.2.5 17.1.7 17.1.8	AC-4.3	ECAT-1 E3.3.9	4.B.4.a(10)
AU-7	Audit Reduction and Report Generation	10.10.3	17.1.2 17.1.7	---	ECRG-1	4.B.3.a(6)
AU-8	Time Stamps	10.10.6	---	---	ECAR-1	4.B.2.a(4)(a)
AU-9	Protection of Audit Information	10.10.3 15.1.3 15.3.2	17.1.3 17.1.4	---	ECTP-1	4.B.2.a(4)(b)
AU-10	Non-repudiation	10.8.2 10.9.1 12.3.1	17.1.1	---	DCNR-1	5.B.3.a(8)
AU-11	Audit Retention	10.10.1 15.1.3	17.1.4	---	ECRR-1	4.B.2.a(4)(c)
Certification, Accreditation, and Security Assessments						
CA-1	Certification, Accreditation, and Security Assessment Policies and Procedures	6.1.4 10.3.2 15.1.1	2. 4.	---	DCAR-1 DCII-1	DCID: B.3 Manual: 2.B.2.b(1)
CA-2	Security Assessments	6.1.8 15.2.1 15.2.2	2.1.1 2.1.3 2.1.4	SP-5.1	DCII-1 ECMT-1 PEPS-1 E3.3.10	DCID: B.2.b; B.3.a Manual: 4.B.2.b(6); 5.B.1.b(1); 9.B.1; 9.B.4
CA-3	Information System Connections	10.6.2 10.9.1 11.4.5 11.4.6 11.4.7	3.2.9 4.1.8 12.2.3	CC-2.1	DCID-1 EBCR-1 EBRU-1 EBPW-1 ECIC-1	9.B.3 9.D.3.c
CA-4	Security Certification	10.3.2	2.1.2 3.2.3 3.2.5 4.1.1 4.1.6 11.2.8 12.2.5	CC-2.1	DCAR-1 5.7.5	DCID: B.3 Manual: 4.B.3.b(8); 9.E.2.a(2); 9.E.2.a(3)
CA-5	Plan of Action and Milestones	15.2.1	1.1.5 2.2.1 4.2.1	SP-5.1 SP-5.2	5.7.5	9.E.2.a(3)(a)
CA-6	Security Accreditation	10.3.2	3.2.7 12.2.5	---	5.7.5	DCID: B.3 Manual: 9.D.3; 9.D.4

CNTL NO.	CONTROL NAME	ISO 17799	NIST 800-26	GAO FISCAM	DOD 8500.2	DCID 6/3[33]
CA-7	Continuous Monitoring	15.2.1 15.2.2	10.2.1	---	DCCB-1 DCPR-1 E3.3.9	DCID: B.2.d; Manual: 2.B.4.e(7); 2.B.5.c(10); 5.B.2.b(2); 9.B.1; 9.D.7
	Configuration Management					
CM-1	Configuration Management Policy and Procedures	12.4.1 12.5.1 15.1.1	**---**	---	DCCB-1 DCPR-1 DCAR-1 E3.3.8	DCID: B.2.a Manual: 2.B.4.e(5); 5.B.2.a(5)
CM-2	Baseline Configuration	7.1.1 15.1.2	3.1.9 10.2.7 10.2.9 12.1.4	CC-2.3 CC-3.1 SS-1.2	DCHW-1 DCSW-1	2.B.7.c(7) 4.B.1.c(3) 4.B.2.b(6)
CM-3	Configuration Change Control	10.1.2 10.2.3 12.4.1 12.5.1 12.5.2 12.5.3	3.1.4 10.2.2 10.2.3 10.2.8 10.2.10 10.2.11	SS-3.2 CC-2.2	DCPR-1	2.B.7.c(7) 4.B.1.c(3) 4.B.2.b(6) 5.B.2.a(5)
CM-4	Monitoring Configuration Changes	10.1.2	10.2.1 10.2.4	SS-3.1 SS-3.2 CC-2.1	DCPR-1 3.3.8	2.B.7.c(7) 4.B.1.c(3) 5.B.2.b(2) 8.B.8.c(7)
CM-5	Access Restrictions for Change	11.6.1	6.1.3 6.1.4 10.1.1 10.1.4 10.1.5	SD-1.1 SS-1.2 SS-2.1	DCPR-1 ECSD-2	5.B.3.a(2)(b)
CM-6	Configuration Settings	---	10.2.6 10.3.1 16.2.2 16.2.3 16.2.11	---	DCSS-1 ECSC-1 3.3.8	4.B.2.a(10)
CM-7	Least Functionality	---	10.3.1	---	DCPP-1 ECIM-1 ECVI-1 3.3.8	4.B.2.a(10) 7.D.2.b
	Contingency Planning					
CP-1	Contingency Planning Policy and Procedures	5.1.1 10.4.1 14.1.1 14.1.3 15.1.1	9.	---	COBR-1 DCAR-1	2.B.4.e(5) 6.B.1.a(1)
CP-2	Contingency Plan	10.3.2 10.4.1 10.8.5 14.1.3 14.1.4	4.1.4 9.1.1 9.2 9.2.1 9.2.2 9.2.3 9.2.10 12.2.2	SC-3.1 SC-1.1	CODP-1 COEF-1	6.B.2.b(1)
CP-3	Contingency Training	14.1.3 14.1.4	9.3.2	SC-2.3	PRTN-1	8.B.1
CP-4	Contingency Plan Testing	10.5.1 14.1.5	4.1.4 9.3.3	SC-3.1	COED-1	6.B.3.b(2)(b)

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CP-5	Contingency Plan Update	14.1.3 14.1.5	9.3.1 9.3.3 10.2.12	SC-2.1 SC-3.1	DCAR-1	6.B.3.b(2)
CP-6	Alternate Storage Sites	10.5.1	9.2.4 9.2.5 9.2.7 9.2.9	SC-2.1 SC-3.1	CODB-2	6.B.2.a(2) 6.B.3.a(2)(d)
CP-7	Alternate Processing Sites	14.1.4	9.2.4 9.2.5 9.2.7 9.2.9	SC-2.1 SC-3.1	COAS-1 COEB-1 COSP-1 COSP-2	6.B.3.a(2)(d)
CP-8	Telecommunications Services	14.1.4	---	---	---	6.B.2.a(4)
CP-9	Information System Backup	10.5.1 11.7.1	9.1.1 9.2.6 9.2.9 9.3.1	SC-2.1	CODB-1 CODB-2 COSW-1	6.B.1.a(2)
CP-10	Information System Recovery and Reconstitution	14.1.4	9.2.8	SC-2.1	COTR-1 ECND-1	4.B.1.a(4) 6.B.1.a(1) 6.B.2.a(3)(d)
Identification and Authentication						
IA-1	Identification and Authentication Policy and Procedures	15.1.1	15.	---	IAIA-1 DCAR-1	DCID: B.2.a Manual: 2.B.4.e(5)
IA-2	User Identification and Authentication	11.2.3 11.4.2 11.5.2	15.1	---	IAIA-1	4.B.2.a(7)
IA-3	Device Identification and Authentication	11.4.2 11.4.3 11.7.1	16.2.7	---	---	4.B.5.a(14)
IA-4	Identifier Management	11.2.3 11.5.2	15.1.1 15.2.2 15.1.8	AC-2.1 AC-3.2 SP-4.1	IAGA-1 IAIA-1	4.B.1.a(2)
IA-5	Authenticator Management	11.5.2 11.5.3	15.1.6 15.1.7 15.1.9 15.1.10 15.1.11 15.1.12 15.1.13 16.1.3 16.2.3	AC-3.2	IAKM-1 IATS-1	4.B.2.a(7) 4.B.3.a(11)
IA-6	Authenticator Feedback	11.5.1	---	---	---	4.B.2.a(7)(g)
IA-7	Cryptographic Module Authentication	---	16.1.7	---	---	1.G
Incident Response						
IR-1	Incident Response Policy and Procedures	10.4.1 13.1 13.2.1 15.1.1	14.	---	VIIR-1 DCAR-1	DCID: B.2.c; C.4 Manual: 2.B.4.e(5); 2.B.2.b(6); 2.B.6.c(10); 8.B.7
IR-2	Incident Response Training	13.1.1	14.1.4	SP-3.4	VIIR-1	8.B.1.b(1)(f) 8.B.1.c(1)(e) 8.B.1.c(2)(c)
IR-3	Incident Response Testing	14.1.5	---	---	VIIR-1	8.B.7

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IR-5	Incident Monitoring	---	14.1.3	---	VIIR-1	8.B.7.a
IR-6	Incident Reporting	6.2.2 6.2.3 13.1.1 13.1.2	14.1.2 14.1.3 14.2.2 14.2.3	---	VIIR-1 E3.3.9	8.B.7
IR-7	Incident Response Assistance	14.1.3	8.1.1 14.1.1	SP-3.4	---	8.B.7.c
Maintenance						
MA-1	System Maintenance Policy and Procedures	10.1.1 15.1.1	10.	---	PRMP-1 DCAR-1	DCID: B.2.a Manual: 2.B.4.e(5); 6.B.2.a(5)
MA-2	Periodic Maintenance	9.2.4	10.1.1 10.1.3 10.2.1	SS-3.1	---	6.B.2.a(5) 8.B.8.c
MA-3	Maintenance Tools	---	10.1.3 11.2.4	---	---	6.B.3.a(5) 8.B.8.c(4) 8.B.8.c(5)
MA-4	Remote Maintenance	11.4.4	10.1.1 17.1.1	SS-3.1	EBRP-1	8.B.8.d
MA-5	Maintenance Personnel	6.2.3 9.2.4	10.1.1 10.1.3	SS-3.1	PRMP-1	8.B.8.a
MA-6	Timely Maintenance	---	9.1.2	SC-1.2	COMS-1 COSP-1	6.B.2.a(5)
Media Protection						
MP-1	Media Protection Policy and Procedures	10.1.1 10.7 15.1.1 15.1.3	8.	---	PESP-1 DCAR-1	DCID: B.2.a Manual: 2.B.6.c(7); 8.B.2
MP-2	Media Access	10.7.3	8.2.1 8.2.2 8.2.6 8.2.7	---	PEDI-1 PEPF-1	2.B.9.b(4) 4.B.1.a(1) 4.B.1.a(7)
MP-3	Media Labeling	7.2.2 10.7.3 10.8.2 15.1.3	8.2.5 8.2.6 10.2.9	---	ECML-1	2.B.9.b(4) 8.B.2.a 8.B.2.c
MP-4	Media Storage	10.7.1 10.7.2 10.7.3 10.7.4	7.1.4 8.2.1 8.2.2 10.1.2	AC-3.1	PESS-1	2.B.9.b(4) 4.B.1.a(7)
MP-5	Media Transport	10.8.3	8.2.2 8.2.4	---	---	2.B.9.b(4)
MP-6	Media Sanitization	9.2.6 10.7.1 10.7.2	3.2.12 3.2.13 8.2.8	AC-3.4	PECS-1	8.B.5
MP-7	Media Destruction and Disposal	9.2.6 10.7.2	3.2.12 3.2.13 8.2.10	AC-3.4	PEDD-1	2.B.9.b(4) 8.B.5.a(4) 8.B.5.d 8.B.5.e

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Physical and Environmental Protection						
PE-1	Physical and Environmental Protection Policy and Procedures	15.1.1	7.		PETN-1 DCAR-1	DCID: B.2.a Manual: 2.B.4.e(5); 8.D
PE-2	Physical Access Authorizations	9.1.2 9.1.6	7.1.1 7.1.2	AC-3.1	PECF-1	4.B.1.a(1) 8.E
PE-3	Physical Access Control	9.1.1 9.1.2 9.1.5 9.1.6 10.5.1	7.1.1 7.1.2 7.1.5 7.1.6 7.1.8	AC-3.1	PEPF-1	4.B.1.a(1) 8.D.2 8.E
PE-4	Access Control for Transmission Medium	9.2.3	7.2.2 16.2.9	---	---	8.D.2 4.B.1.a(8)
PE-5	Access Control for Display Medium	9.1.2 11.3.3	7.2.1	---	PEDI-1 PEPF-1	8.C.2.a 8.D.2
PE-6	Monitoring Physical Access	9.1.2	7.1.9	AC-4	PEPF-2	4.B.1.a(1) 8.C.2.a 8.D.2
PE-7	Visitor Control	9.1.2	7.1.7 7.1.11	AC-3.1	PEVC-1	8.C.2.a 8.D.2 8.E
PE-8	Access Logs	9.1.2	7.1.9	AC-4	PEPF-2 PEVC-1	8.C.2.a 8.D.2 8.E
PE-9	Power Equipment and Power Cabling	9.2.2 9.2.3	7.1.16	SC-2.2	---	8.D.2
PE-10	Emergency Shutoff	9.2.2	---	---	PEMS-1	8.D.2
PE-11	Emergency Power	9.2.2	7.1.18	SC-2.2	COPS-1 COPS-2 COPS-3	6.B.2.a(6) 6.B.2.a(7)
PE-12	Emergency Lighting	9.2.2	---	---	PEEL-1	8.D.2
PE-13	Fire Protection	9.1.4 9.2.1	7.1.12	SC-2.2	PEFD-1 PEFS-1	8.C.2.a 8.D.2
PE-14	Temperature and Humidity Controls	9.2.1 10.5.1 10.7.1	7.1.14 7.1.15	SC-2.2	PEHC-1 PETC-1	8.D.2
PE-15	Water Damage Protection	9.2.1	7.1.17	SC-2.2	---	8.C.2.a 8.D.2
PE-16	Delivery and Removal	9.1.6 9.2.7 10.7.1	7.1.3	AC-3.1	---	8.B.5.e
PE-17	Alternate Work Site	11.7.2	---	---	EBRU-1	---
Planning						
PL-1	Security Planning Policy and Procedures	6.1 15.1.1	5.	---	DCAR-1 E3.4.6	DCID: B.2.a Manual: 2.B.4.e(5)
PL-2	System Security Plan	6.1	4.1.5 5.1.1 5.1.2 12.2.1	SP-2.1	DCSD-1	1.F.6 2.B.6.c(3) 2.B.7.c(5) 9.E.2.a(1)(d) 9.F.2.a Appendix C

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PL-3	System Security Plan Update	6.1	3.2.10 5.2.1	SP-2.1	5.7.5	2.B.7.c(5)
PL-4	Rules of Behavior	7.1.3 8.1.3 15.1.5	4.1.3 13.1.1	---	PRRB-1	2.B.9.b
PL-5	Privacy Impact Assessment	15.1.4	---	---	---	DCID: B.3.a Manual: 8.B.9
Personnel Security						
PS-1	Personnel Security Policy and Procedures	8.1.1 15.1.1	6.	---	PRRB-1 DCAR-1	DCID: B.2.a Manual: 2.B.4.e(5); 8.E
PS-2	Position Categorization	8.1.2	6.1.1 6.1.2	SD-1.2	---	8.E
PS-3	Personnel Screening	8.1.2	6.2.1 6.2.3	SP-4.1	PRAS-1	2.B.7.c(2) 2.B.8.b(5) 8.E
PS-4	Personnel Termination	8.1.3 8.3 11.2.1	6.1.7	SP-4.1	5.12.7	2.B.9.b(6) 4.B.2.a(3)(e) 8.E
PS-5	Personnel Transfer	8.3.1 8.3.3 11.2.1	6.1.7	SP-4.1	5.12.7	2.B.9.b(6)
PS-6	Access Agreements	6.1.5 8.1.3	6.2.2	SP-4.1	PRRB-1	1.E.2 8.E
PS-7	Third-Party Personnel Security	6.2.1 6.2.3 8.1.1 8.1.2 8.1.3 8.2.1 8.2.2 11.2.1	---	SP-4.1	5.7.10	1.A.1 8.D 8.E
PS-8	Personnel Sanctions	8.2.3 11.2.1	---	---	PRRB-1	4.B.2.a(3)(e) 8.E
Risk Assessment						
RA-1	Risk Assessment Policy and Procedures	4.1 15.1.1	1.	---	DCAR-1	DCID: B.3.a Manual: 2.B.4.e(5)
RA-2	Security Categorization	7.2.1	1.1.3 3.1.1	SP-1 AC-1.1 AC-1.2	E3.4.2	3.C 3.D 9.E.2.a(1)(a) 9.E.2.a(1)(d)
RA-3	Risk Assessment	4.0 4.1 4.2 6.2.1 10.10.2 10.10.5 12.5.1 12.6.1 14.1.1 14.1.2	1.1.2 1.1.4 1.1.5 1.1.6 1.2.2 3.1.7 3.1.8 12.2.4	SP-1	DCDS-1 DCII-1 E3.3.10	9.B
RA-4	Risk Assessment Update	4.1	1.1.2 4.1.2	SP-1	DCAR-1 DCII-1	9.B.4.f 9.D.1.d

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RA-5	Vulnerability Scanning	12.6.1	10.3.2	---	ECMT-1 VIVM-1	4.B.3.a(8)(b) 4.B.3.b(6)(b) 9.B.4.e
System and Services Acquisition						
SA-1	System and Services Acquisition Policy and Procedures	12.1 15.1.1	3.	---	DCAR-1	DCID: B.2.a Manual: 2.B.4.e(5)
SA-2	Allocation of Resources	10.3.1	3.1.2 3.1.3 3.1.5 5.1.3	---	DCPB-1 E3.3.4	DCID: C.2.a Manual: 2.B.4.e(8)
SA-3	Life Cycle Support	---	3.1	---	5.8.1	DCID: B.2.a Manual: 9.E.2
SA-4	Acquisitions	12.1.1	3.1.6 3.1.7 3.1.9 3.1.10 3.1.11 3.1.12	---	DCAS-1 DCDS-1 DCIT-1 DCMC-1	DCID: B.2.a; C.2.a Manual: 9.B.4
SA-5	Information System Documentation	10.7.4	3.2.3 3.2.4 3.2.8 12.1.1 12.1.2 12.1.3 12.1.7	CC-2.1	DCCS-1 DCHW-1 DCID-1 DCSD-1 DCSW-1 ECND-1 DCFA-1	4.B.2.b(2) 4.B.2.b(3) 4.B.4.b(4) 9.C.3
SA-6	Software Usage Restrictions	15.1.2	10.2.10 10.2.13	SS-3.2 SP-2.1	DCPD-1	2.B.9.b(11)
SA-7	User Installed Software	15.1.2	10.2.10	SS-3.2	---	2.B.9.b(11)
SA-8	Security Design Principles	12.1	---	---	DCBP-1 DCCS-1 E3.4.4	1.H.1
SA-9	Outsourced Information System Services	6.2.1 6.2.3 10.2.1 10.2.2 10.6.2	12.2.3	---	DCDS-1 DCID-1 DCIT-1 DCPP-1	1.B.1 8.C.2 8.E
SA-10	Developer Configuration Management	12.5.1 12.5.2	---	CM-3	---	4.B.4.b(4) 8.C.2.a
SA-11	Developer Security Testing	12.5.1 12.5.2	---	CM-3	E3.4.4	4.B.4.b(4)
System and Communications Protection						
SC-1	System and Communications Protection Policy and Procedures	10.8.1 15.1.1	---	---	DCAR-1	DCID: B.2.a Manual: 2.B.4.e(5)
SC-2	Application Partitioning	11.4.5	---	---	DCPA-1	4.B.3.b(6)(a) 4.B.4.b(8) 5.B.3.b(2)
SC-3	Security Function Isolation	11.4.5	---	---	DCSP-1	4.B.3.b(6)(a) 4.B.4.b(8) 5.B.3.b(1) 5.B.3.b(2)
SC-4	Information Remnants	10.8.1	---	AC-3.4	ECRC-1	4.B.2.a(14)

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SC-5	Denial of Service Protection	10.8.4 13.2.1	---	---	---	6.B.3.a(6)
SC-6	Resource Priority	---	---	---	---	6.B.3.a(11)
SC-7	Boundary Protection	11.4.6	16.2.2 16.2.7 16.2.9 16.2.10 16.2.11 16.2.14	AC-3.2	COEB-1 EBBD-1 ECIM-1 ECVI-1	4.B.4.a(27) 5.B.3.a(11)(b) 7.A.3 7.B 7.C 7.D
SC-8	Transmission Integrity	10.6.1 10.8.1 10.9.1	11.2.1 11.2.4 11.2.9 16.2.14	AC-3.2	ECTM-1	5.B.3.a(11)
SC-9	Transmission Confidentiality	10.6.1 10.8.1 10.9.1	---	---	ECCT-1	4.B.1.a(8)(a)
SC-10	Network Disconnect	11.5.6	16.2.6	AC-3.2	---	4.B.2.a(17)
SC-11	Trusted Path	10.9.2	16.2.7	---	---	4.B.4.a(14)
SC-12	Cryptographic Key Establishment and Management	12.3.1 12.3.2	16.1.7 16.1.8	---	IAKM-1	1.G
SC-13	Use of Validated Cryptography	---	16.1.7 16.1.8	---	IAKM-1 IATS-1	1.G.1
SC-14	Public Access Protections	10.7.4 10.9.3	---	---	EBPW-1	---
SC-15	Collaborative Computing	---	---	---	ECVI-1	7.G
SC-16	Transmission of Security Parameters	7.2.2 10.8.2 10.9.2	16.1.6	AC-3.2	ECTM-2	4.B.1.a(3)
SC-17	Public Key Infrastructure Certificates	12.3.2	---	---	IAKM-1	2.B.4.e(5) 4.B.3.a(11)
SC-18	Mobile Code	10.4.1 10.4.2	---	---	DCMC-1	2.B.4.e(5) 7.E
SC-19	Voice Over Internet Protocol	---	---	---	ECVI-1	---[34]
System and Information Integrity						
SI-1	System and Information Integrity Policy and Procedures	15.1.1	11.	---	DCAR-1	DCID: B.2.a Manual: 2.B.4.e(5) 5.B.1.b(1) 5.B.2.a(5)(a)(1)
SI-2	Flaw Remediation	10.10.5 12.4.1 12.5.1 12.5.2 12.6.1	10.3.2 11.1.1 11.1.2 11.2.2 11.2.7	SS-2.2	DCSQ-1 DCCT-1 E3.3.5.7	5.B.2.a(5)(a)(3) 6.B.2.a(5)
SI-3	Malicious Code Protection	10.4.1	11.1.1 11.1.2	---	ECVP-1 VIVM-1	5.B.1.a(4) 7.B.4.b(1)
SI-4	Intrusion Detection Tools and Techniques	10.6.2 10.10.1 10.10.2 10.10.4	11.2.5 11.2.6	---	EBBD-1 EBVC-1 ECID-1	4.B.2.a(5)(b) 4.B.3.a(8)(b) 6.B.3.a(8)

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[34] Appropriate authorizing officials approve the use of specific technologies, including Voice Over Internet Protocol. See also DCID 6/3 paragraph 2.B.4.d and 9.D.1.a.

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SI-5	Security Alerts and Advisories	6.1.7 10.4.1	14.1.1 14.1.2 14.1.5	SP-3.4	VIVIM-1	8.B.7
SI-6	Security Functionality Verification	---	11.2.1 11.2.2	SS-2.2	DCSS-1	4.B.1.c(2) 5.B.2.b(2)
SI-7	Software and Information Integrity	12.2.1 12.2.2 12.2.4	11.2.1 11.2.4	---	ECSD-2	4.B.1.c(2) 5.B.1.a(3) 5.B.2.a(6)
SI-8	Spam and Spyware Protection	---	---	---	---	5.B.1.a(4)
SI-9	Information Input Restrictions	12.2.1 12.2.2	---	SD-1	---	2.B.9.b(11)
SI-10	Information Input Accuracy, Completeness, and Validity	10.7.3 12.2.1 12.2.2	---	---	---	7.B.2.h 2.B.4.d
SI-11	Error Handling	12.2.1 12.2.2 12.2.3 12.2.4	---	---	---	2.B.4.d
SI-12	Information Output Handling and Retention	10.7.3 12.2.4	---	---	PESP-1	2.B.4.d 8.B.9 8.G