



STIG Hardening Overview for vSphere with Tanzu: Supervisor Cluster

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Revision History

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Overview

VMware is a trusted partner in highly secure, mission critical systems around the world, including the United States Department of Defense (DoD). In the DoD, all IT systems must adhere to the rigorous Risk Management Framework (RMF) as defined in DoDI 8510.01. A critical component of RMF is the mandatory implementation of Security Technical Implementation Guides (STIGs) and Security Requirements Guidelines (SRGs) as maintained by the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA).

To support our customers, vSphere with Tanzu is evaluated and hardened against the following standards:

- DISA Kubernetes STIG Version 1 Release 8
- Photon OS 3.0 STIG Readiness Guide Version 1 Release 8

This report will document the product's compliance with this guidance, including any deviations.

Applicability

The contents of this document are applicable to the following product versions:

- vCenter 8.0.1 Build 21560480 Supervisor Nodes

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Supervisor Compliance

vSphere with Tanzu allows organizations to support modern, cloud-native applications using their existing VMware vSphere and VMware Cloud Foundation platforms. When enabled on a vSphere cluster, vSphere with Tanzu provides two methods for operating Kubernetes-based applications: running workloads directly on ESXi hosts using the Supervisor Cluster, and/or creation of standalone, resource-controlled Tanzu Kubernetes clusters.

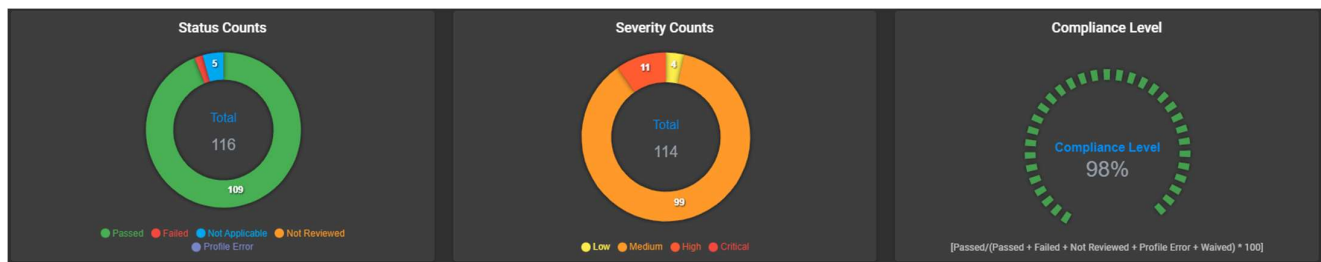
For more information about the architecture of the Supervisor please see the VMware vSphere Product Documentation.

The Supervisor Cluster is enabled through the Workload Management functions inside vSphere. When enabled, three supervisor virtual machines are deployed from an image that resides on vCenter and act as the Kubernetes Control Plane. Supervisor Cluster components are delivered as part of VMware vSphere itself and updated with vSphere Lifecycle Manager as part of regular patching and updates.

The images used to deploy these services have been hardened by default. The Supervisor Cluster component images are not user-serviceable; updates to hardening are released as part of the product update and upgrade processes.

Photon OS 3.0 Compliance - Overall

The Supervisor Cluster virtual machine images are based on Photon OS 3.0. The results for the Photon OS 3.0 STIG Readiness Guide as it applies to each appliance are as follows:



A full list of controls and their statuses is available in the Appendix sections of this document.

Photon OS 3.0 Compliance - Exceptions

Controls listed in the exceptions table are either unmet or require post deployment configuration.

| Control ID | NIST 800-53 | Title | Justification |
|----------------|------------------------------|---|--|
| PHTN-30-000058 | AU-8 (1) (a) AU-8 (1) (b) | The Photon operating system must be configured to synchronize with an approved DoD time source. | By default, the supervisor nodes will sync time with the ESXi host it is running on. Alternatively, NTP servers can be specified in the UI in the network settings for the Supervisor. |
| PHTN-30-000104 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must use a reverse-path filter for IPv4 network traffic. | Must be set to "loose" instead of "strict" mode due to the multi-NIC configuration of the supervisor appliances. |

Photon OS 3.0 Compliance - N/A Controls

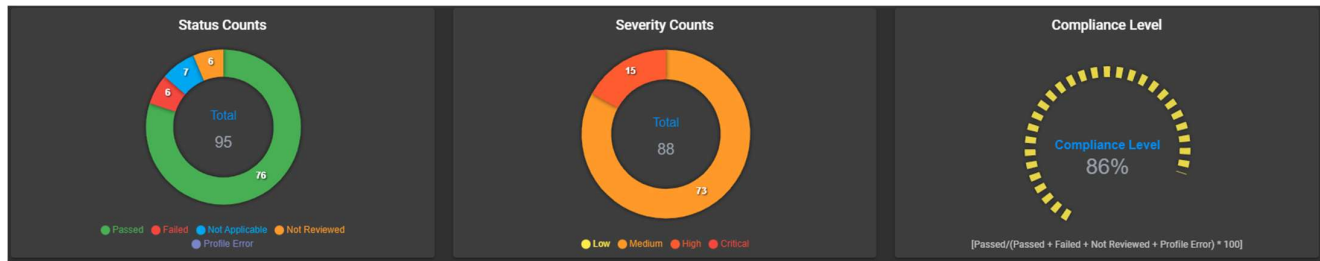
Controls listed in the not applicable table are not applicable in this scenario or require manual review post deployment.

| Control ID | NIST 800-53 | Title | Justification |
|----------------|--------------------|---|---|
| PHTN-30-000003 | AC-8 a AC-8 c 1 | The Photon operating system must display the Standard Mandatory DoD Notice and Consent Banner before granting SSH access. | The DoD login banner is not configured out of the box as it is not appropriate for all customers. |

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| PHTN-30-000031 | AC-3 | The Photon operating system must require authentication upon booting into single-user and maintenance modes. | A grub boot password is not configured out of the box and due to the immutable nature of these appliances not operationally feasible. |
| PHTN-30-000039 | SI-11 a SI-6 d AC-2 (4) AU-4 (1) | The Photon operating system must configure rsyslog to offload system logs to a central server. | Syslog configuration is inherited from vCenter. |
| PHTN-30-000041 | SI-11 b | The Photon operating system messages file have the correct ownership and file permissions. | The /var/log/messages file does not exist on these appliances. |
| PHTN-30-000062 | IA-11 | The Photon operating system must require users to reauthenticate for privilege escalation. | There are no users with sudo privileges and NOPASSWD defined to audit. |

Kubernetes Compliance - Overall

The results for the Kubernetes STIG as it applies to each appliance are as follows:



A full list of controls and their statuses is available in the Appendix sections of this document.

Kubernetes Compliance - Exceptions

Controls listed in this Not Applicable table are not applicable in this scenario or require manual review post-deployment.

| Control ID | NIST 800-53 | Title | Justification |
|----------------|-------------|--|---|
| CNTR-K8-000440 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes Kubelet static PodPath must not enable static pods. | The Kubernetes components run as containers using static pods on the control plane nodes. Workloads are not allowed to run on these nodes. |
| CNTR-K8-001460 | SC-23 | Kubernetes Kubelet must enable tls-private-key-file for client authentication to secure service. | Uses self-signed certificates. Resolution included in product roadmap. |
| CNTR-K8-001470 | SC-23 | Kubernetes Kubelet must enable tls-cert-file for client authentication to secure service. | Uses self-signed certificates. Resolution included in product roadmap. |
| CNTR-K8-002001 | AC-16 a | Kubernetes must have a Pod Security Admission feature gate set. | Migration from PSP to PSA is included in product roadmap. |
| CNTR-K8-002011 | AC-16 a | Kubernetes must have a Pod Security Admission control file configured. | Migration from PSP to PSA is included in product roadmap. |
| CNTR-K8-002630 | SC-12 (3) | Kubernetes API Server must disable token authentication to protect information in transit. | Pinniped is used to allow authentication to Kubernetes through external identity providers and uses token authentication. The tokens file in use is restricted to the root user only. |

Kubernetes Compliance - N/A Controls

Controls listed in this Not Applicable table are not applicable in this scenario or require manual review post deployment.

| Control ID | NIST 800-53 | Title | Justification |
|----------------|-------------|--|--|
| CNTR-K8-000320 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes API server must have the insecure port flag disabled. | The Supervisor is running v1.24+ where this feature is deprecated and has no effect in versions 1.20 and above. See reference PR |
| CNTR-K8-000400 | AC-3 | Kubernetes Worker Nodes must not have sshd service running. | This control is applicable only to worker nodes and does not apply to the control plane nodes of the Supervisor cluster. |

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| CNTR-K8-000410 | AC-3 | Kubernetes Worker Nodes must not have the sshd service enabled. | This control is applicable only to worker nodes and does not apply to the control plane nodes of the Supervisor cluster. |
| CNTR-K8-000460 | AC-3 | Kubernetes DynamicKubeletConfig must not be enabled. | The Supervisor is running v1.24+ where this feature is deprecated and has no effect in versions 1.24 and above. See reference PR |
| CNTR-K8-000920 | CM-7 b | The Kubernetes API Server must enforce ports, protocols, and services (PPS) that adhere to the Ports, Protocols, and Services Management Category Assurance List (PPSM CAL). | Ports and protocols used in the product are available at https://ports.vmware.com/ and can be used by customers to document against the PPSM CAL. |
| CNTR-K8-000930 | CM-7 b | The Kubernetes Scheduler must enforce ports, protocols, and services (PPS) that adhere to the Ports, Protocols, and Services Management Category Assurance List (PPSM CAL). | Ports and protocols used in the product are available at https://ports.vmware.com/ and can be used by customers to document against the PPSM CAL. |
| CNTR-K8-000940 | CM-7 b | The Kubernetes Controllers must enforce ports, protocols, and services (PPS) that adhere to the Ports, Protocols, and Services Management Category Assurance List (PPSM CAL). | Ports and protocols used in the product are available at https://ports.vmware.com/ and can be used by customers to document against the PPSM CAL. |
| CNTR-K8-000950 | CM-7 b | The Kubernetes etcd must enforce ports, protocols, and services (PPS) that adhere to the Ports, Protocols, and Services Management Category Assurance List (PPSM CAL). | Ports and protocols used in the product are available at https://ports.vmware.com/ and can be used by customers to document against the PPSM CAL. |
| CNTR-K8-001360 | SC-2 | Kubernetes must separate user functionality. | This is a manual review. User workloads are not allowed to run on the control plane nodes and only contain system level pods. |
| CNTR-K8-002700 | SI-4 d | Kubernetes must remove old components after updated versions have been installed. | This is typically a manual review but since nodes are completely replaced on upgrades no older versions of components will exist. |
| CNTR-K8-003140 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes Kube Proxy must have file permissions set to 644 or more restrictive. | Kube Proxy is running as a container and the configuration file does not exist on the host OS. |
| CNTR-K8-003150 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes Kube Proxy must be owned by root. | Kube Proxy is running as a container and the configuration file does not exist on the host OS. |

Frequently Asked Questions

Can customers make changes to the vSphere with Tanzu Supervisor or TKr images or appliances?

No. Due to the immutable nature of vSphere with Tanzu deployments any changes would not be persistent. Modification to images and components is not supported. For product improvements please contact your VMware Account Team.

Where can I find the Photon OS 3.0 STIG Readiness Guide?

The Photon OS 3.0 STIG Readiness guide may be found at:

<https://github.com/vmware/dod-compliance-and-automation/tree/master/photon/3.0/docs>

What is a STIG Readiness Guide?

More information about STIG Readiness Guides can be found at:

<https://www.vmware.com/content/dam/digitalmarketing/vmware/en/pdf/docs/vmware-stig-program-overview.pdf>

Is there a compliance report for Tanzu Kubernetes Clusters?

A report for TKCs/TKrs will be available in a separate document and those images have a separate lifecycle from vCenter and the Supervisor nodes.

What do the severity codes mean?

The DISA Security Requirements Guides state:

Severity Category Codes (referred to as CAT) are a measure of vulnerabilities used to assess a facility or system security posture. Each security policy specified in this document is assigned a Severity Category Code of CAT I, II, or III.

A description of the category codes are as follows:

| DISA Category Code Guidelines | |
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| CAT I | Any vulnerability, the exploitation of which will directly and immediately result in loss of Confidentiality, Availability, or Integrity. |
| CAT II | Any vulnerability, the exploitation of which has a potential to result in loss of Confidentiality, Availability, or Integrity. |
| CAT III | Any vulnerability, the existence of which degrades measures to protect against loss of Confidentiality, Availability, or Integrity. |

Most severity codes in the associated guides are CAT II. During STIG development, DISA modifies severity codes on a per product and context specific basis.

What does the “status” column in the control list tables mean?

| Status Definitions | |
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| Passed | The compliance check passed. |
| Failed | The compliance check failed. |
| Not Applicable | The control was determined to be N/A in this context. |
| Not Reviewed | These controls were skipped as the conditions of the test did not exist on the system or require a manual review. |

Appendix: Supervisor Control List

Supervisor Photon OS 3.0 Control List

| Control ID | NIST 800-53 ¹ | Title | Status |
|----------------|--|--|----------------|
| PHTN-30-000001 | AC-2 (4) | The Photon operating system must audit all account creations. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000002 | AC-7 a, AC-7 b | The Photon operating system must automatically lock an account when three unsuccessful logon attempts occur. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000003 | AC-8 a, AC-8 c 1 | The Photon operating system must display the Standard Mandatory DOD Notice and Consent Banner before granting Secure Shell (SSH) access. | Not Applicable |
| PHTN-30-000004 | AC-10 | The Photon operating system must limit the number of concurrent sessions to 10 for all accounts and/or account types. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000005 | AC-11 a, AC-12, MA-4 e | The Photon operating system must set a session inactivity timeout of 15 minutes or less. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000006 | AC-17 (1) | The Photon operating system must have the sshd SyslogFacility set to "authpriv". | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000007 | AC-17 (1) | The Photon operating system must have sshd authentication logging enabled. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000008 | AC-17 (1) | The Photon operating system must have the sshd LogLevel set to "INFO". | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000009 | AC-17 (2), MA-4 (6), SC-13, SC-8 | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to use approved encryption algorithms. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000010 | AU-3 | The Photon operating system must configure auditd to log to disk. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000011 | AU-3 | The Photon operating system must configure auditd to use the correct log format. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000012 | AU-3 (1) | The Photon operating system must be configured to audit the execution of privileged functions. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000013 | AU-12 a, AU-12 c, AU-3, AU-3 (1), CM-3 (5), CM-5 (1), SI-6 a, SI-6 b | The Photon operating system must have the auditd service running. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000014 | AU-5 (2), AU-5 a | The Photon operating system audit log must log space limit problems to syslog. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000015 | AU-5 b | The Photon operating system audit log must attempt to log audit failures to syslog. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000016 | AU-9 | The Photon operating system audit log must have correct permissions. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000017 | AU-9 | The Photon operating system audit log must be owned by root. | Passed |

¹ Duplicate entries may appear in the NIST 800-53 controls column as an artifact of VMware testing, if the control meets multiple requirements.

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| PHTN-30-000018 | AU-9 | The Photon operating system audit log must be group-owned by root. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000019 | AU-12 b | The Photon operating system must allow only the information system security manager (ISSM) (or individuals or roles appointed by the ISSM) to select which auditable events are to be audited. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000020 | AU-12 c, MA-4 (1) (a) | The Photon operating system must generate audit records when successful/unsuccessful attempts to access privileges occur. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000021 | IA-5 (1) (a) | The Photon operating system must enforce password complexity by requiring that at least one uppercase character be used. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000022 | IA-5 (1) (a) | The Photon operating system must enforce password complexity by requiring that at least one lowercase character be used. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000023 | IA-5 (1) (a) | The Photon operating system must enforce password complexity by requiring that at least one numeric character be used. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000024 | IA-5 (1) (b) | The Photon operating system must require that new passwords are at least four characters different from the old password. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000025 | IA-5 (1) (c) | The Photon operating system must store only encrypted representations of passwords. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000026 | IA-2 (8), IA-2 (9), IA-5 (1) (c), IA-7, MA-4 (7), MA-4 c, SC-8 (2) | The Photon operating system must use an OpenSSH server version that does not support protocol 1. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000027 | IA-5 (1) (d) | The Photon operating system must be configured so that passwords for new users are restricted to a 24-hour minimum lifetime. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000028 | IA-5 (1) (d) | The Photon operating system must be configured so that passwords for new users are restricted to a 90-day maximum lifetime. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000029 | IA-5 (1) (e) | The Photon operating system must prohibit password reuse for a minimum of five generations. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000030 | IA-5 (1) (a) | The Photon operating system must enforce a minimum eight-character password length. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000031 | AC-3 | The Photon operating system must require authentication upon booting into single-user and maintenance modes. | Not Applicable |
| PHTN-30-000032 | CM-7 b, IA-3 | The Photon operating system must disable the loading of unnecessary kernel modules. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000033 | IA-2 | The Photon operating system must not have duplicate User IDs (UIDs). | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000035 | IA-4 e | The Photon operating system must disable new accounts immediately upon password expiration. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000036 | SC-5, SC-5 (2) | The Photon operating system must use Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) syncookies. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000037 | SC-10 | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to disconnect idle Secure Shell (SSH) sessions. | Passed |

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| PHTN-30-000038 | SC-10 | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to disconnect idle Secure Shell (SSH) sessions. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000039 | AC-2 (4), AU-4 (1), SI-11 a, SI-6 d | The Photon operating system must configure rsyslog to offload system logs to a central server. | Not Applicable |
| PHTN-30-000040 | SI-11 b | The Photon operating system "/var/log" directory must be owned by root. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000041 | SI-11 b | The Photon operating system messages file must have the correct ownership and file permissions. | Not Applicable |
| PHTN-30-000042 | AC-2 (4) | The Photon operating system must audit all account modifications. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000043 | AC-2 (4) | The Photon operating system must audit all account modifications. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000044 | AC-2 (4) | The Photon operating system must audit all account disabling actions. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000045 | AC-2 (4) | The Photon operating system must audit all account removal actions. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000046 | AU-14 (1) | The Photon operating system must initiate auditing as part of the boot process. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000047 | AU-9 | The Photon operating system audit files and directories must have correct permissions. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000048 | AU-9 | The Photon operating system must protect audit tools from unauthorized modification and deletion. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000049 | CM-5 (6) | The Photon operating system must limit privileges to change software resident within software libraries. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000050 | IA-5 (1) (a) | The Photon operating system must enforce password complexity by requiring that at least one special character be used. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000051 | AU-9 (3) | The Photon operating system package files must not be modified. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000054 | AC-6 (9), AU-12 c | The Photon operating system must audit the execution of privileged functions. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000055 | AU-4 | The Photon operating system must configure auditd to keep five rotated log files. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000056 | AU-4 | The Photon operating system must configure auditd to keep logging in the event max log file size is reached. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000057 | AU-5 (1) | The Photon operating system must configure auditd to log space limit problems to syslog. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000058 | AU-8 (1) (a), AU-8 (1) (b) | The Photon operating system must be configured to synchronize with an approved DOD time source. | Failed |
| PHTN-30-000059 | CM-5 (3) | The Photon operating system RPM package management tool must cryptographically verify the authenticity of all software packages during installation. | Passed |

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| PHTN-30-000060 | CM-5 (3) | The Photon operating system RPM package management tool must cryptographically verify the authenticity of all software packages during installation. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000061 | CM-5 (3) | The Photon operating system YUM repository must cryptographically verify the authenticity of all software packages during installation. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000062 | IA-11 | The Photon operating system must require users to reauthenticate for privilege escalation. | Not Applicable |
| PHTN-30-000064 | MA-4 (6), SC-8 (1) | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to use FIPS 140-2 ciphers. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000065 | SI-16 | The Photon operating system must implement address space layout randomization (ASLR) to protect its memory from unauthorized code execution. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000066 | SI-2 (6) | The Photon operating system must remove all software components after updated versions have been installed. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000067 | AU-12 c | The Photon operating system must generate audit records when the sudo command is used. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000068 | AU-12 c | The Photon operating system must generate audit records when successful/unsuccessful logon attempts occur. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000069 | AU-12 c | The Photon operating system must audit the "insmod" module. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000070 | AU-12 c | The Photon operating system auditd service must generate audit records for all account creations, modifications, disabling, and termination events. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000071 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must use the "pam_cracklib" module. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000072 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must set the "FAIL_DELAY" parameter. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000073 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must enforce a delay of at least four seconds between logon prompts following a failed logon attempt. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000074 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must ensure audit events are flushed to disk at proper intervals. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000075 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must create a home directory for all new local interactive user accounts. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000076 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must disable the debug-shell service. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000078 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to disallow Generic Security Service Application Program Interface (GSSAPI) authentication. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000079 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to disable environment processing. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000080 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to disable X11 forwarding. | Passed |

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| PHTN-30-000081 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to perform strict mode checking of home directory configuration files. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000082 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to disallow Kerberos authentication. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000083 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to disallow authentication with an empty password. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000084 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to disallow compression of the encrypted session stream. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000085 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to display the last login immediately after authentication. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000086 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to ignore user-specific trusted hosts lists. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000087 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to ignore user-specific known_host files. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000088 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to limit the number of allowed login attempts per connection. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000089 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must be configured so the x86 Ctrl-Alt-Delete key sequence is disabled on the command line. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000090 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must be configured so the "/etc/skel" default scripts are protected from unauthorized modification. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000091 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must be configured so the "/root" path is protected from unauthorized access. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000092 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must be configured so that all global initialization scripts are protected from unauthorized modification. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000093 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must be configured so that all system startup scripts are protected from unauthorized modification. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000094 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must be configured so that all files have a valid owner and group owner. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000095 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must be configured so that the "/etc/cron.allow" file is protected from unauthorized modification. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000096 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must be configured so that all cron jobs are protected from unauthorized modification. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000097 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must be configured so that all cron paths are protected from unauthorized modification. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000098 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must not forward IPv4 or IPv6 source-routed packets. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000099 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must not respond to IPv4 Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) echoes sent to a broadcast address. | Passed |

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| PHTN-30-000100 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must prevent IPv4 Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) redirect messages from being accepted. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000101 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must prevent IPv4 Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) secure redirect messages from being accepted. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000102 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must not send IPv4 Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) redirects. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000103 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must log IPv4 packets with impossible addresses. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000104 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must use a reverse-path filter for IPv4 network traffic. | Failed |
| PHTN-30-000105 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must not perform multicast packet forwarding. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000106 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must not perform IPv4 packet forwarding. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000107 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must send Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) timestamps. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000108 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must be configured to protect the Secure Shell (SSH) public host key from unauthorized modification. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000109 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must be configured to protect the Secure Shell (SSH) private host key from unauthorized access. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000110 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must enforce password complexity on the root account. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000111 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must protect all boot configuration files from unauthorized modification. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000112 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must protect sshd configuration from unauthorized access. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000113 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must protect all "sysctl" configuration files from unauthorized access. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000114 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must set the "umask" parameter correctly. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000115 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to disallow HostbasedAuthentication. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000117 | IA-5 (1) (c) | The Photon operating system must store only encrypted representations of passwords. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000118 | IA-5 (1) (e) | The Photon operating system must ensure the old passwords are being stored. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000119 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to restrict AllowTcpForwarding. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000120 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must configure sshd to restrict LoginGraceTime. | Passed |

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| PHTN-30-000240 | SC-13 | The Photon operating system must implement NIST FIPS-validated cryptography for the following: to provision digital signatures, generate cryptographic hashes, and protect unclassified information requiring confidentiality and cryptographic protection in accordance with applicable federal laws, Executive Orders, directives, policies, regulations, and standards. | Passed |
| PHTN-30-000245 | CM-6 b | The Photon operating system must disable systemd fallback Domain Name System (DNS). | Passed |

Supervisor Kubernetes Control List

| Control ID | NIST 800-53 ¹ | Title | Status |
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| CNTR-K8-000150 | AC-17 (2) | The Kubernetes Controller Manager must use TLS 1.2, at a minimum, to protect the confidentiality of sensitive data during electronic dissemination. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000160 | AC-17 (2) | The Kubernetes Scheduler must use TLS 1.2, at a minimum, to protect the confidentiality of sensitive data during electronic dissemination. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000170 | AC-17 (2) | The Kubernetes API Server must use TLS 1.2, at a minimum, to protect the confidentiality of sensitive data during electronic dissemination. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000180 | AC-17 (2) | The Kubernetes etcd must use TLS to protect the confidentiality of sensitive data during electronic dissemination. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000190 | AC-17 (2) | The Kubernetes etcd must use TLS to protect the confidentiality of sensitive data during electronic dissemination. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000220 | AC-2 (1) | The Kubernetes Controller Manager must create unique service accounts for each work payload. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000270 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes API Server must enable Node,RBAC as the authorization mode. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000290 | CM-6 b | User-managed resources must be created in dedicated namespaces. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000300 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes Scheduler must have secure binding. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000310 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes Controller Manager must have secure binding. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000320 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes API server must have the insecure port flag disabled. | Not Applicable |
| CNTR-K8-000330 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes Kubelet must have the read-only port flag disabled. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000340 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes API server must have the insecure bind address not set. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000350 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes API server must have the secure port set. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000360 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes API server must have anonymous authentication disabled. | Passed |

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| CNTR-K8-000370 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes Kubelet must have anonymous authentication disabled. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000380 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes kubelet must enable explicit authorization. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000400 | AC-3 | Kubernetes Worker Nodes must not have sshd service running. | Not Applicable |
| CNTR-K8-000410 | AC-3 | Kubernetes Worker Nodes must not have the sshd service enabled. | Not Applicable |
| CNTR-K8-000420 | AC-3 | Kubernetes dashboard must not be enabled. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000430 | AC-3 | Kubernetes Kubectl cp command must give expected access and results. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000440 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes kubelet static PodPath must not enable static pods. | Failed |
| CNTR-K8-000450 | AC-3 | Kubernetes DynamicAuditing must not be enabled. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000460 | AC-3 | Kubernetes DynamicKubeletConfig must not be enabled. | Not Applicable |
| CNTR-K8-000470 | AC-3 | The Kubernetes API server must have Alpha APIs disabled. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000600 | AU-14 (1) | The Kubernetes API Server must have an audit policy set. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000610 | AU-14 (1) | The Kubernetes API Server must have an audit log path set. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000700 | AC-2 (4), AU-3 a, AU-3 b, AU-3 c, AU-3 d, AU-3 e, AU-3 (1), AU-12 c, AC-2 (4), AC-2 (4), AU-3 f, AU-3 (2), AC-16 a | Kubernetes API Server must generate audit records that identify what type of event has occurred, identify the source of the event, contain the event results, identify any users, and identify any containers associated with the event. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000850 | CM-5 (6) | Kubernetes Kubelet must deny hostname override. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000860 | CM-5 (6) | The Kubernetes manifests must be owned by root. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000880 | CM-5 (6) | The Kubernetes kubelet configuration file must be owned by root. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000890 | CM-5 (6) | The Kubernetes kubelet configuration files must have file permissions set to 644 or more restrictive. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000900 | CM-5 (6) | The Kubernetes manifests must have least privileges. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000910 | CM-7 a | Kubernetes Controller Manager must disable profiling. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-000920 | CM-7 b | The Kubernetes API Server must enforce ports, protocols, and services (PPS) that adhere to the Ports, Protocols, and Services Management Category Assurance List (PPSM CAL). | Not Reviewed |
| CNTR-K8-000930 | CM-7 b | The Kubernetes Scheduler must enforce ports, protocols, and services (PPS) that adhere to the Ports, Protocols, and Services Management Category Assurance List (PPSM CAL). | Not Reviewed |
| CNTR-K8-000940 | CM-7 b | The Kubernetes Controllers must enforce ports, protocols, and services (PPS) that adhere to the Ports, Protocols, and Services Management Category Assurance List (PPSM CAL). | Not Reviewed |

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| CNTR-K8-000950 | CM-7 b | The Kubernetes etcd must enforce ports, protocols, and services (PPS) that adhere to the Ports, Protocols, and Services Management Category Assurance List (PPSM CAL). | Not Reviewed |
| CNTR-K8-000960 | CM-7 b | The Kubernetes cluster must use non-privileged host ports for user pods. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001160 | IA-5 (1) (c) | Secrets in Kubernetes must not be stored as environment variables. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001300 | SC-10 | Kubernetes Kubelet must not disable timeouts. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001360 | SC-2 | Kubernetes must separate user functionality. | Not Reviewed |
| CNTR-K8-001400 | SC-23 | The Kubernetes API server must use approved cipher suites. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001410 | SC-23 | Kubernetes API Server must have the SSL Certificate Authority set. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001420 | SC-23 | Kubernetes Kubelet must have the SSL Certificate Authority set. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001430 | SC-23 | Kubernetes Controller Manager must have the SSL Certificate Authority set. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001440 | SC-23 | Kubernetes API Server must have a certificate for communication. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001450 | SC-23 | Kubernetes etcd must enable client authentication to secure service. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001460 | SC-23 | Kubernetes Kubelet must enable tls-private-key-file for client authentication to secure service. | Failed |
| CNTR-K8-001470 | SC-23 | Kubernetes Kubelet must enable tls-cert-file for client authentication to secure service. | Failed |
| CNTR-K8-001480 | SC-23 | Kubernetes etcd must enable client authentication to secure service. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001490 | SC-23 | Kubernetes etcd must have a key file for secure communication. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001500 | SC-23 | Kubernetes etcd must have a certificate for communication. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001510 | SC-23 | Kubernetes etcd must have the SSL Certificate Authority set. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001520 | SC-23 | Kubernetes etcd must have a certificate for communication. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001530 | SC-23 | Kubernetes etcd must have a key file for secure communication. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001540 | SC-23 | Kubernetes etcd must have peer-cert-file set for secure communication. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001550 | SC-23 | Kubernetes etcd must have a peer-key-file set for secure communication. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001620 | SC-3 | Kubernetes Kubelet must enable kernel protection. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-001990 | AC-3, AU-1 b 2, AC-16 b | Kubernetes must prevent non-privileged users from executing privileged functions to include disabling, circumventing, or altering implemented security safeguards/countermeasures or the installation of patches and updates. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-002000 | AC-16 a | The Kubernetes API server must have the ValidatingAdmissionWebhook enabled. | Passed |

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| CNTR-K8-002001 | AC-16 a | Kubernetes must have a Pod Security Admission feature gate set. | Failed |
| CNTR-K8-002010 | AC-16 a | Kubernetes must have a pod security policy set. | Not Applicable |
| CNTR-K8-002011 | AC-16 a | Kubernetes must have a Pod Security Admission control file configured. | Failed |
| CNTR-K8-002600 | SC-7 (21) | Kubernetes API Server must configure timeouts to limit attack surface. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-002620 | SC-12 (3) | Kubernetes API Server must disable basic authentication to protect information in transit. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-002630 | SC-12 (3) | Kubernetes API Server must disable token authentication to protect information in transit. | Failed |
| CNTR-K8-002640 | SC-12 (3) | Kubernetes endpoints must use approved organizational certificate and key pair to protect information in transit. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-002700 | SI-4 d | Kubernetes must remove old components after updated versions have been installed. | Not Reviewed |
| CNTR-K8-002720 | SI-3 (10) (a) | Kubernetes must contain the latest updates as authorized by IAVMs, CTOs, DTMs, and STIGs. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003110 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes component manifests must be owned by root. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003120 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes component etcd must be owned by etcd. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003130 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes conf files must be owned by root. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003140 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes Kube Proxy must have file permissions set to 644 or more restrictive. | Not Applicable |
| CNTR-K8-003150 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes Kube Proxy must be owned by root. | Not Applicable |
| CNTR-K8-003160 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes Kubelet certificate authority file must have file permissions set to 644 or more restrictive. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003170 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes Kubelet certificate authority must be owned by root. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003180 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes component PKI must be owned by root. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003190 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes kubelet config must have file permissions set to 644 or more restrictive. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003200 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes kubelet config must be owned by root. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003210 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes kubeadm.conf must be owned by root. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003220 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes kubeadm.conf must have file permissions set to 644 or more restrictive. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003230 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes kubelet config must have file permissions set to 644 or more restrictive. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003240 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes kubelet config must be owned by root. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003250 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes API Server must have file permissions set to 644 or more restrictive. | Passed |

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| CNTR-K8-003260 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes etcd must have file permissions set to 644 or more restrictive. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003270 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes admin.conf must have file permissions set to 644 or more restrictive. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003280 | CM-6 b | Kubernetes API Server audit logs must be enabled. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003290 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes API Server must be set to audit log max size. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003300 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes API Server must be set to audit log maximum backup. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003310 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes API Server audit log retention must be set. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003320 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes API Server audit log path must be set. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003330 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes PKI CRT must have file permissions set to 644 or more restrictive. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003340 | CM-6 b | The Kubernetes PKI keys must have file permissions set to 600 or more restrictive. | Passed |
| CNTR-K8-003350 | AC-17 (2) | The Kubernetes API Server must prohibit communication using TLS version 1.0 and 1.1, and SSL 2.0 and 3.0. | Passed |

