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| ASSESSMENT – Base Control, Part 1 of 1 | | |
| Assessment Information from Special Publication 800-53A Rev. 1 (June 2010) | | |
| **MP-3** | **MEDIA MARKING** | |
| **MP-3.1**  **MP-3.1.1**  **MP-3.1.2**  **MP-3.1.3**  **MP-3.1.3a**  **MP-3.1.3b**  **MP-3.1.4** | **ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVE:**  *Determine if:*   1. *the organization defines removable media types and information system output that require marking;* 2. *the organization marks removable media and information system output in accordance with organizational policies and procedures, indicating the distribution limitations, handling caveats, and applicable security markings (if any) of the information;* 3. *the organization defines:*    * *removable media types and information system output exempt from marking;*    * *controlled areas designated for retaining removable media and information output exempt from marking; and* 4. *removable media and information system output exempt from marking remain within designated controlled areas.*   **POTENTIAL ASSESSMENT METHODS AND OBJECTS:**  **Examine**: [*select from:* Information system media protection policy; procedures addressing media labeling; physical and environmental protection policy and procedures; security plan; removable storage media and information system output; other relevant documents or records].  **Interview**: [*select from:* Organizational personnel with information system media protection and marking responsibilities]. | |
| **Additional Assessment Case Information** | | |
|  | | **POTENTIAL ASSESSMENT SEQUENCING:**  precursor controls: MP-2, RA-3  concurrent controls: AC-16, SI-12  successor controls: None |
| **Action Step** | | **Potential Assessor Evidence Gathering Actions**  **\*\*See “**[**Assessment Case Overview**](http://csrc.nist.gov/groups/SMA/fisma/assessment-cases-overview.html)**” for selecting, tailoring and executing action steps\*\*** |
|  | | *\*\*Assessment Case Assessor Note:* More convincing evidence (i.e., greater assurance) of correct implementation and operating as intended can be obtained through the assessment case actions by:   1. **Replacing bracketed values in action gathering statements to apply greater rigor in the assessment** (e.g, . replacing [“*reviewing*”] with “*studying*” or “*analyzing*”; replacing [“*observing*”] with “*inspecting*” or “*analyzing*”; replacing [“*basic*”] with “*focused*” or “*comprehensive*”); 2. **Replacing bracketed values in action gathering statements to apply greater sample coverage in the assessment** (e.g, . replacing [“*basic”*] sample with “*focused*” or “*sufficiently large”* sample); 3. **Defining additional action steps to the list of action steps suggested herein that exercise additional test methods** (i.e., Examine, Interview or Test) on additional assessment objects. |
| **MP-3.1.1.1** | | **Examine** information system media protection policy, procedures addressing media marking, procedures addressing media labeling, security plan, or other relevant documents; [*reviewing*] for the removable media and information system output containing information that requires marking. |
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| **MP-3.1.2.1** | | **Examine** information system media protection policy, procedures addressing media marking, procedures addressing media labeling, security plan, or other relevant documents; [*reviewing*] for the distribution limitations, handling caveats, and applicable security markings (if any) on the removable media and information system output identified in MP-3.1.1.1 |
| **MP-3.1.2.2** | | **Examine** information system media protection policy, procedures addressing media marking, procedures addressing media labeling, security plan, or other relevant documents; [*reviewing*] for the measures to be employed to mark the removable media and information system output identified in MP-3.1.1.1 using the distribution limitations, handling caveats, and applicable security markings identified in MP-3.1.2.1 for the information stored on the media and output. |
| **MP-3.1.2.3** | | **Examine** an agreed-upon [*basic*]sample of the removable media and information system output identified in MP-3.1.1.1; [*reviewing*] for evidence that the measures identified in MP-3.1.2.2 are being applied. |
| **MP-3.1.2.4** | | **Interview** an agreed-upon [*basic*] sample of organizational personnel with information system media protection and marking responsibilities for the removable media and information system output identified in MP-3.1.1.1; conducting [*basic*] discussions for further evidence that the measures identified in MP-3.1.2.2 are being applied. |
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| **MP-3.1.3.1**  **MP-3.1.3.1a**  **MP-3.1.3.1b** | | **Examine** information system media protection policy, procedures addressing media marking, procedures addressing media labeling, security plan, or other relevant documents; [*reviewing*] for the:   * removable media and information system output containing information exempt from marking; and * controlled areas designated for retaining the removable media and information output identified in MP-3.1.3.1a. |
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| **MP-3.1.4.1** | | **Examine** information system media protection policy, procedures addressing media marking, procedures addressing media labeling, security plan, or other relevant documents; [*reviewing*] for the measures to be employed to retain the removable media and information system output identified in MP-3.1.3.1.a within the designated controlled areas identified in MP-3.1.3.1b. |
| **MP-3.1.4.2** | | **Examine** an agreed-upon [*basic*]sample of the designated controlled areas identified in MP-3.1.3.1b; [*observing*] for evidence that the removable media and information system output identified in MP-3.1.3.1a are retained in the designated controlled areas identified in MP-3.1.3.1b. |
| **MP-3.1.4.3** | | **Examine** an agreed-upon [*basic*]sample of information system facility areas not designated as the controlled areas identified in MP-3.1.3.1b; [*observing*] for evidence that the removable media and information system output identified in MP-3.1.3.1a are not retained in these areas. |
| **MP-3.1.4.4** | | **Interview** an agreed-upon [*basic*] sample of organizational personnel with information system media protection and marking responsibilities for the removable media and information system output identified in MP-3.1.3.1a; conducting [*basic*] discussions for further evidence that the removable media and information system output identified in MP-3.1.3.1a are retained in the designated controlled areas identified in MP-3.1.3.1b. |
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