

# SOC LIFE CYCLE

## SOC:

Soc" could refer to several things depending on the context:

**Social:** In casual conversation or online slang, "soc" might be shorthand for "social," referring to anything related to social activities, interactions, or networks.

**Society:** "Soc" could also be an abbreviation for "society," indicating a group of individuals living together in a community or sharing common interests, activities, or cultural traits.

**System on Chip (SoC):** In technology, particularly in the context of hardware and computer engineering, "SoC" stands for System on Chip. It refers to an integrated circuit that integrates all components of a computer or other electronic system into a single chip.

## SOC OPERATIONS:

### 1. LOG COLLECTION:

In a Security Operations Center (SOC), log collection involves gathering and storing logs from various sources such as network devices, servers, applications, and endpoints. These logs contain valuable information about activities and events occurring within an organization's IT infrastructure.

### 2.AGGREGATION CORRELATION:

In the context of SOC (Security Operations Center), aggregation correlation refers to the process of collecting and analyzing security-related data from various sources, such as logs, alerts, and network traffic, to identify patterns and potential security threats. Aggregation involves gathering data from multiple sources, while correlation involves finding relationships or connections between different pieces of data to identify potential security incidents or anomalies.

### 3.SIEM & IT'S BENIFITS:

SIEM stands for Security Information and Event Management. It's a software solution that provides real-time analysis of security alerts generated by network hardware and applications.



**Centralized Visibility:** SIEM collects and aggregates security data from various sources across the network, providing a centralized view of the organization's security posture.

**Threat Detection and Response:** It uses advanced analytics and correlation rules to detect suspicious activities and security incidents, enabling SOC analysts to respond promptly and mitigate threats effectively.

**Compliance Management:** SIEM helps organizations comply with regulatory requirements by providing automated reporting and auditing capabilities

#### 4.TICKETING :

Ticketing in a Security Operations Center (SOC) refers to the process of creating and managing tickets to track and address security incidents, alerts, or tasks within the organization. These tickets serve as records of security events, incidents, or tasks that need attention, and they typically include information such as the nature of the issue, its severity, steps taken to investigate or mitigate it, and the resolution status.

#### 5.KNOWLEDGE BASE :

In the context of a Security Operations Center (SOC), a knowledge base refers to a centralized repository of information, procedures, best practices, and insights related to cybersecurity. This database typically contains details about known threats, attack patterns, vulnerabilities, incident response procedures, and other relevant security information. SOC analysts rely on the knowledge base to enhance their understanding of security events, streamline incident response efforts, and improve overall cybersecurity posture.

#### 6. THREAT INTELLIGENCE :

In a Security Operations Center (SOC), threat intelligence refers to the knowledge and information gathered about potential cyber threats, including their tactics, techniques, procedures, and indicators of compromise (IOCs). This intelligence helps SOC analysts understand and anticipate potential threats, allowing them to proactively defend against cyber attacks and mitigate risks to the organization's security posture.

#### 7.RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT :

In the context of SOC (Security Operations Center), Research & Development (R&D) typically involves activities focused on continuously improving and innovating security technologies, methodologies, and processes to enhance the capabilities of the SOC. This can include researching new threat vectors, developing tools for better threat

detection and response, testing new security solutions, and staying updated on emerging threats and trends in the cybersecurity landscape.

## 8. REPORTING:

In a Security Operations Center (SOC), reporting involves the generation and analysis of various types of reports that provide insights into the security posture of an organization. These reports can include incident reports detailing security incidents, trend analysis reports to identify patterns of threats or vulnerabilities, compliance reports to ensure adherence to regulations and standards, and executive summaries to communicate key security metrics and risks to senior management. Reporting plays a crucial role in decision-making, risk management, and improving overall security effectiveness within the SOC.

# INCIDENT RESPONSE

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Incident response in cybersecurity refers to the structured approach an organization takes to address and manage the aftermath of a security breach or cyberattack. It involves detecting, analyzing, containing, eradicating, and recovering from security incidents to minimize damage and restore normal operations as quickly as possible. Incident response plans typically include steps such as identifying the nature and scope of the incident, notifying relevant stakeholders, preserving evidence, mitigating further damage, and implementing measures to prevent similar incidents in the future.

### 1. INCIDENT REPORTERS:

Incident reporters" in incident response are individuals or systems responsible for detecting and reporting security incidents within an organization. These could be employees, customers, automated monitoring systems, or any other entity that notices suspicious activity or anomalies that may indicate a security breach or incident. Their role is crucial in initiating the incident response process promptly, allowing the

organization to mitigate the threat effectively.

## 2. INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER:

An Internet Service Provider (ISP) plays a crucial role in incident response by providing connectivity and access to the internet for organizations. In incident response, ISPs may assist in identifying and mitigating security incidents, such as DDoS attacks or network intrusions, by providing logs, traffic data, and other relevant information. Additionally, ISPs may offer services such as firewall protection or traffic filtering to help organizations prevent and respond to cyber incidents effectively.

## 3. OTHER INCIDENT RESPONSE TEAMS:

"Other Incident Response Teams" typically refers to additional teams or entities involved in incident response alongside the primary incident response team. These teams could include external experts, law enforcement agencies, regulatory bodies, or specialized teams within the organization focused on specific aspects of incident response, such as legal, public relations, or technical teams. They collaborate to address the incident comprehensively, leveraging their expertise and resources to mitigate the impact and prevent future occurrences.

## 4. CUSTOMERS, CONSTITUENTS & MEDIA:

In incident response, "CUSTOMERS, CONSTITUENTS & MEDIA" refers to the stakeholders that an organization needs to communicate with during and after an incident.

**Customers:** Refers to the clients or end-users of the organization's products or services who may be impacted by the incident.

**Constituents:** This can include employees, partners, suppliers, or other internal stakeholders who need to be informed about the incident and its impact on operations.

**Media:** Represents journalists, reporters, or news outlets who may seek

information about the incident and its implications. Proper communication with the media is essential to manage the organization's public image and reputation during a crisis.

#### 5. SOFTWARE & SUPPORT VENDORS:

In incident response, software and support vendors refer to companies that provide tools, technologies, and services to help organizations detect, mitigate, and recover from security incidents. These vendors offer a range of products such as antivirus software, intrusion detection systems, forensic analysis tools, and consulting services to assist organizations in responding effectively to cyber threats and breaches.

#### 6. LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES :

In incident response, law enforcement agencies refer to governmental organizations responsible for enforcing laws and regulations. These agencies play a crucial role in responding to incidents such as cyberattacks, fraud, terrorism, and other criminal activities. They investigate incidents, gather evidence, and may prosecute offenders. Examples include the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in the United States and Interpol internationally.

