Controls and compliance checklist

Botium Toys

Controls assessment checklist

Yes	No	Control	Explanation
	\checkmark	Least Privilege	Currently, all employees have access to customer data; privileges need to be limited to reduce the risk of a breach.
	\checkmark	Disaster recovery plans	There are no disaster recovery plans in place. These need to be implemented to ensure business continuity.
	\searrow	Password policies	Employee password requirements are minimal, which could allow a threat actor to more easily access secure data/other assets via employee work equipment/the internal network.
	✓	Separation of duties	Needs to be implemented to reduce the possibility of fraud/access to critical data, since the company CEO currently runs day-to-day operations and manages the payroll.
✓		Firewall	The existing firewall blocks traffic based on an appropriately defined set of security rules.

	\checkmark	Intrusion detection system (IDS)	The IT department needs an IDS in place to help identify possible intrusions by threat actors.
	\checkmark	Backups	The IT department needs to have backups of critical data, in the case of a breach, to ensure business continuity.
\checkmark		Antivirus software	Antivirus software is installed and monitored regularly by the IT department.
		Manual monitoring, maintenance, and intervention for legacy systems	The list of assets notes the use of legacy systems. The risk assessment indicates that these systems are monitored and maintained, but there is not a regular schedule in place for this task and procedures/ policies related to intervention are unclear, which could place these systems at risk of a breach.
		Encryption	Encryption is not currently used; implementing it would provide greater confidentiality of sensitive information.
	\checkmark	Password management system	There is no password management system currently in place; implementing this control would improve IT department/other employee productivity in the case of password issues.
		Locks (offices, storefront, warehouse)	The store's physical location, which includes the company's main offices, store front, and warehouse of products, has sufficient locks.
\checkmark		Closed-circuit television (CCTV) surveillance	CCTV is installed/functioning at the store's physical location.

abla	Fire detection/prevention (fire alarm, sprinkler system, etc.)	Botium Toys' physical location has a functioning fire detection and prevention system.

Compliance checklist

Select "yes" or "no" to answer the question: Does Botium Toys currently adhere to this compliance best practice?

Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS)

Yes	No	Best practice	Explanation
	\checkmark	Only authorized users have access to customers' credit card information.	Currently, all employees have access to the company's internal data.
	abla	Credit card information is accepted, processed, transmitted, and stored internally, in a secure environment.	Credit card information is not encrypted and all employees currently have access to internal data, including customers' credit card information.
		Implement data encryption procedures to better secure credit card transaction touchpoints and data.	The company does not currently use encryption to better ensure the confidentiality of customers' financial information.
	\checkmark	Adopt secure password management policies.	Password policies are nominal and no password management system is currently in place.

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

Yes	No	Best practice	Explanation
	\checkmark	E.U. customers' data is kept private/secured.	The company does not currently use encryption to better ensure the confidentiality of customers'

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		There is a plan in place to notify E.U. customers within 72 hours if their data is compromised/there is a breach.	There is a plan to notify E.U. customers within 72 hours of a data breach.
	\checkmark	Ensure data is properly classified and inventoried.	Current assets have been inventoried/listed, but not classified.
✓		Enforce privacy policies, procedures, and processes to properly document and maintain data.	Privacy policies, procedures, and processes have been developed and enforced among IT team members and other employees, as needed.

System and Organizations Controls (SOC type 1, SOC type 2)

Yes	No	Best practice	Explanation
	V	User access policies are established.	Controls of Least Privilege and separation of duties are not currently in place; all employees have access to internally stored data.
	\checkmark	Sensitive data (PII/SPII) is confidential/private.	Encryption is not currently used to better ensure the confidentiality of PII/SPII.
✓		Data integrity ensures the data is consistent, complete, accurate, and has been validated.	Data integrity is in place.
	\checkmark	Data is available to individuals authorized to access it.	While data is available to all employees, authorization needs to be limited to only the individuals who need access to it to do their jobs.

Recommendations to Improve Botium Toys' Security Posture

1 Implementation of Access Controls and Least Privilege Principle

- Apply the least privilege principle, ensuring that employees only have access to the data and systems necessary for their roles.
- Separate duties to reduce the risk of internal privilege abuse.
- Implement multi-factor authentication (MFA) for all access to critical systems.

2 Data Protection and Regulatory Compliance

- Encrypt all sensitive information, especially payment card data and customers' PII/SPII.
- Ensure compliance with regulations such as PCI DSS, GDPR, and CCPA for data protection.
- Implement audit logs to track access and modifications to databases.

3 Backup and Disaster Recovery

- Implement automated and regular backups of critical data.
- Design and test a Disaster Recovery Plan (DRP) to ensure business continuity in case of an attack or technical failure.
- Store backups in secure locations and use encryption to protect stored data.

4 Network Security Implementation

- Install and configure an Intrusion Detection System (IDS) to monitor suspicious access.
- Apply network segmentation to restrict unauthorized access.
- Ensure the firewall has updated security rules and review them regularly.

5 Strengthening Password Policies and Access Management

- Implement a centralized password management system to enforce security policies.
- Require stronger passwords (at least 12 characters, combining letters, numbers, and special characters).
- Mandate regular password changes and restrict reuse of old passwords.

6 System Monitoring and Updates

- Establish a maintenance schedule to update and patch legacy systems.
- Automate software updates to reduce vulnerabilities.
- Ensure antivirus and anti-malware systems are always updated and active.

7 Employee Security Awareness Training

- Implement cybersecurity awareness programs on phishing, social engineering, and security best practices.
- Conduct phishing attack simulations to assess employees' preparedness.
- Include training sessions on data protection and regulatory compliance.

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