

# NIST Cybersecurity Framework



- Published by the US National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
- Primarily designed keeping US critical infrastructure in mind
  - ▼ Systems and assets, whether physical or virtual, so vital to the United States that the incapacity or destruction of such systems and assets would have a debilitating impact on security, national economic security, national public health or safety, or any combination of those matters.
- Mitigates organization level cyber security risks

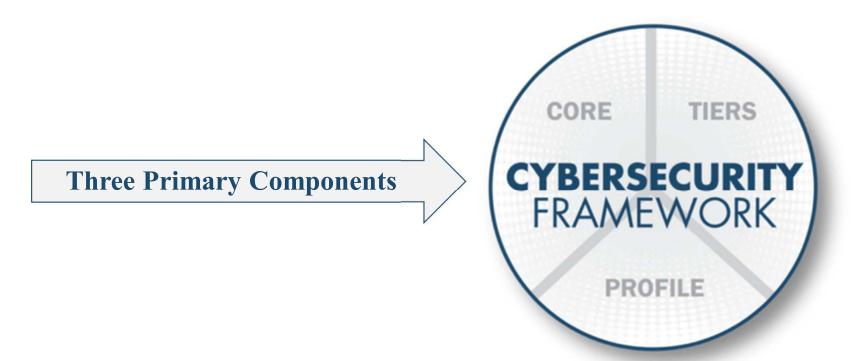


- The framework is guidance, based on existing standards, guidelines, and practices for organizations to better manage and reduce cybersecurity risk
- Facilitates communication between internal and external stakeholders
- The framework is not industry specific
- Current version 1.1
- Release date: 16 April 2018



# The Cybersecurity Framework





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#### Core

- ▼ Contains activities, outcomes and references about aspects and approaches to cybersecurity
- ▼ Desired cybersecurity outcomes organized in a hierarchy and aligned to more detailed guidance and controls
- Presents industry standards, guidelines and practices
- ▼ 5 function > 23 categories > 108 subcategories



#### Profiles

- ➤ Alignment of an organization's requirements and objectives, risk appetite and resources using the desired outcomes of the Framework Core
- Provides a list of outcomes based on business needs
- Comparing current profile with target profile
- ▶ Profile created using business requirements with risk assessment to prioritise tasks



- Implementation Tiers
  - ▼ Helps clarify cyber risk, processes and risk threshold
  - ▼ A qualitative measure of organizational cybersecurity risk management practices that provides guidance
  - ▼ Characterise practices over a range Tier 1 (Partial) to Tier 4 (Adaptive)
    - ▼ Informal practices to flexible, risk informed, structured practices
  - **▼** Tier selection based on
    - current risk management practices
    - **▼** threat environment
    - **▼** legal and regulatory requirements
    - ▼ business/mission objectives
    - organizational constraints

### Key Framework Attributes



- Principles of Current and Future Versions of the Framework
  - Common and accessible language
  - ▼ Adaptable to many technologies, lifecycle phases, sectors and uses
  - **▼** Risk-based
  - **▼** Based on international standards
  - Living document
  - ▼ Guided by many perspectives private sector, academia, public sector



### The Framework Core

Establishes a Common Language



- Describes desired outcomes
- Understandable by everyone
- Applies to any type of risk management
- Defines the entire breadth of cybersecurity
- Spans both prevention and reaction

**Function** 

**Identify** 

**Protect** 

**Detect** 

Respond

Recover

## NIST Framework Core



Function	Category	Subcategory	Informative References
	Asset Management (ID.AM): The data, personnel, devices, systems, and facilities that enable the organization to achieve business purposes are identified and managed consistent with their relative importance to organizational objectives and the organization's risk strategy.	ID.AM-1: Physical devices and systems within the organization are inventoried	· CIS CSC 1
			· COBIT 5 BAI09.01, BAI09.02
			· ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.2.3.4
			· ISA 62443-3-3:2013 SR 7.8
			· ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.8.1.1, A.8.1.2
			NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 CM-8, PM-5
		ID.AM-2: Software platforms and applications within the organization are inventoried	· CIS CSC 2
			<ul> <li>COBIT 5 BAI09.01, BAI09.02, BAI09.05</li> </ul>
			· ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.2.3.4
			· ISA 62443-3-3:2013 SR 7.8
			· ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.8.1.1, A.8.1.2, A.12.5.1
			NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 CM-8, PM-5
		ID.AM-3: Organizational communication and data flows are mapped	· CIS CSC 12
			· COBIT 5 D\$\$05.02
			· ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.2.3.4
			· ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.13.2.1, A.13.2.2
			<ul> <li>NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 AC-4, CA-3, CA-9, PL-8</li> </ul>
		ID.AM-4: External information systems are	· CIS CSC 12
			<ul> <li>COBIT 5 APO02.02, APO10.04, DSS01.02</li> </ul>
			ICO/IEC 45001.4012 A 11 3 4



- The framework provides guidance
- Does not provide a checklist
- Organisations are required to build customized checklists based on their threats, vulnerabilities and risk tolerance

## NIST Auditor Checklist



Function	Category	Subcategory	In Compliance
IDENTIFY (ID)	Asset Management (ID.AM): The data,	ID.AM-1: Physical devices and systems within	Yes
	personnel, devices, systems, and	the organization are inventoried	
	facilities that enable the organization to	ID.AM-2: Software platforms and	Yes
	achieve business purposes are identified	applications within the organization are	
	and managed consistent with their	inventoried	
	relative importance to organizational	ID.AM-3: Organizational communication and	No
	objectives and the organization's risk	data flows are mapped	
	strategy.	ID.AM-4: External information systems are	Yes
		catalogued	
		ID.AM-5: Resources (e.g., hardware, devices,	Yes
		data, time, personnel, and software) are	
		prioritized based on their classification,	
		criticality, and business value	
		ID.AM-6: Cybersecurity roles and	No
		responsibilities for the entire workforce and	
		third-party stakeholders (e.g., suppliers,	
		customers, partners) are established	



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