Production Maintenance Checklist - Phase 2 Day 2

Pre-Maintenance Checklist

1. Planning & Preparation

- [] Maintenance window scheduled and approved
- [] Change request submitted and approved
- [] Stakeholders notified of maintenance window
- [] Rollback plan documented and tested
- [] Emergency contacts identified and available
- [] Backup verification completed

2. System Health Verification

- [] All critical alerts resolved
- [] System performance within normal parameters
- [] Database replication status healthy
- [] Backup systems operational
- [] Monitoring systems functional
- [] Load balancer health checks passing

3. Safety Preparations

- [] Operational safety role configured
- [] Dangerous command protection enabled
- [] Backup creation verified
- [] Rollback scripts generated
- [] Safety confirmation prompts tested
- [] Maintenance mode procedures ready

During Maintenance Checklist

4. Maintenance Execution

- [] Maintenance status file created
- [] Services gracefully stopped (if required)
- [] System backups completed successfully
- [] Configuration changes applied
- [] Software updates installed
- [] Security patches applied
- [] System configurations validated

5. Validation & Testing

- [] Service functionality verified
- [] Database connectivity tested

- [] Application health checks passing
- [] Load balancer routing verified
- [] SSL certificates validated
- [] Performance metrics within acceptable range

6. Monitoring & Alerts

- [] System monitoring restored
- [] Alert thresholds verified
- [] Log aggregation functional
- [] Security monitoring active
- [] Performance dashboards updated
- [] Capacity utilization checked

Post-Maintenance Checklist

7. System Verification

- [] All services running normally
- [] Performance metrics stable
- [] Error rates within normal range
- [] User functionality verified
- [] Integration points tested
- [] Scheduled jobs running

8. Documentation & Reporting

- [] Maintenance report generated
- [] Issues and resolutions documented
- [] Performance impact assessed
- [] Lessons learned captured
- [] Change documentation updated
- [] Stakeholders notified of completion

9. Cleanup & Follow-up

- [] Maintenance status file removed
- [] Temporary files cleaned up
- [] Old backups archived
- [] Monitoring alerts re-enabled
- [] Follow-up tasks scheduled
- [] Post-maintenance review scheduled

Emergency Procedures

10. Rollback Procedures

- [] Rollback criteria defined
- [] Rollback scripts tested
- [] Database rollback procedures ready
- [] Service rollback order documented

- [] Communication plan for rollback
- [] Post-rollback validation steps

11. Incident Response

- [] Incident response team contacts
- [] Escalation procedures documented
- [] Emergency communication channels
- [] Vendor support contacts available
- [] Recovery time objectives defined
- [] Business continuity plan activated

Maintenance Types

12. Security Updates

- [] Security patches identified
- [] Vulnerability assessment completed
- [] Patch testing in staging environment
- [] Security scan post-patching
- [] Compliance verification
- [] Security team notification

13. Application Updates

- [] Application version tested
- [] Database migration scripts validated
- [] Configuration changes reviewed
- [] Feature flags configured
- [] User acceptance testing completed
- [] Performance impact assessed

14. Infrastructure Changes

- [] Infrastructure changes documented
- [] Capacity planning completed
- [] Network changes coordinated
- [] DNS changes scheduled
- [] Load balancer configuration updated
- [] Firewall rules validated

Approval & Sign-off

15. Final Approval

- [] Technical lead approval
- [] Operations team sign-off
- [] Security team approval
- [] Business stakeholder approval
- [] Change advisory board approval
- [] Maintenance window confirmed

Maintenance Window:
Maintenance Lead:
Technical Contact:
Business Contact:
Emergency Contact:
Pre-Maintenance Sign-off:
Post-Maintenance Sign-off:
Date Completed: