

# **DISASTER RECOVERY PROTOCOL**

**Summit Digital Solutions, Inc.**

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## **1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

1. This Disaster Recovery Protocol ("Protocol") establishes the policies, procedures, and responsibilities for the recovery and continuation of Summit Digital Solutions, Inc.'s ("Company") critical technology infrastructure and business operations following a disaster or major disruption.

2. This Protocol applies to all Company facilities, employees, contractors, and technology systems, with particular emphasis on the Peak Performance Platform and associated client-facing services.

## **2. DEFINITIONS**

1. "Disaster" means any event that causes significant disruption to normal business operations, including but not limited to:

- a) Natural disasters
- b) Cyber attacks
- c) Infrastructure failures
- d) Public health emergencies
- e) Acts of terrorism

2. "Recovery Time Objective" or "RTO" means the targeted duration of time within which a business process must be restored after a disaster.

3. "Recovery Point Objective" or "RPO" means the maximum targeted period in which data might be lost due to a disaster.

## **3. DISASTER RECOVERY TEAM**

1. The Disaster Recovery Team shall consist of:

- a) Chief Technology Officer (Team Leader)
- b) Chief Operating Officer

- c) Chief Information Security Officer
- d) Infrastructure Manager
- e) Client Services Director
- f) Legal Counsel

2. Team Responsibilities:

- Initial disaster assessment
- Protocol activation
- Communication coordination
- Recovery operations management
- Client impact mitigation
- Compliance monitoring

#### **4. CRITICAL SYSTEMS AND PRIORITIES**

1. Priority 1 Systems (RTO: 4 hours)

- Peak Performance Platform core infrastructure
- Client data repositories
- Authentication systems
- Emergency communication systems

2. Priority 2 Systems (RTO: 12 hours)

- IoT integration networks
- Analytics processing systems
- Client reporting interfaces
- Internal collaboration tools

3. Priority 3 Systems (RTO: 24 hours)

- Non-critical business applications
- Development environments
- Training systems
- Administrative systems

#### **5. RECOVERY PROCEDURES**

## 1. Initial Response

- a) Disaster Recovery Team activation
- b) Situation assessment and classification
- c) Communication protocol initiation
- d) Resource mobilization

## 2. Data Recovery

- a) Activation of redundant systems
- b) Data restoration from secure backups
- c) Integrity verification
- d) Client data prioritization

## 3. System Restoration

- a) Infrastructure recovery
- b) Application restoration
- c) Network connectivity
- d) Security controls verification

# **6. COMMUNICATION PROTOCOLS**

## 1. Internal Communications

- Emergency notification system activation
- Employee communication channels
- Status reporting procedures
- Team coordination protocols

## 2. External Communications

- Client notification procedures
- Regulatory reporting requirements
- Media relations protocol
- Stakeholder updates

# **7. TESTING AND MAINTENANCE**

### 1. Testing Requirements

- Quarterly tabletop exercises
- Semi-annual technical recovery tests
- Annual full-scale disaster simulation
- Regular backup verification

### 2. Documentation Requirements

- Test results documentation
- Protocol update procedures
- Improvement recommendations
- Compliance verification

## **8. COMPLIANCE AND REPORTING**

### 1. The Company shall maintain compliance with:

- SOC 2 Type II requirements
- ISO 27001 standards
- Client contractual obligations
- Industry regulations

### 2. Documentation Requirements

- Incident logs
- Recovery metrics
- Compliance reports
- After-action reviews

## **9. LEGAL AND LIABILITY**

1. This Protocol does not constitute a guarantee of service levels or recovery timeframes.
2. The Company maintains appropriate insurance coverage for business interruption and cyber incidents.

## **10. PROTOCOL UPDATES**

1. This Protocol shall be reviewed and updated:

- Annually at minimum
- Following major incidents
- Upon significant system changes
- As required by regulatory changes

## **AUTHORIZATION**

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