# **Self-assessment for Organization Y**

#### **Instructions**

Read through the requirement and examples. Fill in to the empty column by answering these questions:

- 1. How is this requirement currently fulfilled?
- 2. What is currently missing in order to meet this requirement? Make notes of the findings:
  - Is there an administrative issue keeping the organization from meeting the criteria?
  - Are there resourcing issues that prevent the organization from meeting the criteria?
  - Maybe there is an acknowledged residual risk that makes the criteria obsolete?
  - Are there technical reasons or measures that full fill the criteria via other means?

## **Administrative requirements**

1.1	Documentation	Notes
Existence of necessary documents	<ul> <li>Business continuity plan exists</li> <li>Disaster recovery plan exists and includes this service</li> <li>Recovery time objective is defined for this service</li> <li>Recovery point objective is defined for this services</li> <li>Risk analysis exists and is regularly updated</li> <li>Infrastructure and service documentation is written and has a process for frequent updates</li> </ul>	
Reference	2.2, 2.3, 3.1, 3.1.1, 3.1, 3.2.2, 3.2.3, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7, 3.8, 4.3	
Examples	<ul> <li>Business continuity and disaster recovery plans are written and updated as needed, and they include this service.</li> <li>Recovery time objective is defined for this service. A defined RTO aims at ensuring that the service level is met by the provider and ensures the service quality can be monitored.</li> <li>Recover point objective is defined for this service. A defined RPO aims at ensuring that the service level is met by the provider and ensures the service quality can be monitored.</li> <li>A comprehensive risk analysis is written and it includes threats for this service. A comprehensive risk analysis should take into account for example: <ul> <li>The chosen cloud type and deployment model are recognized and the threats they imply are verified.</li> <li>Possible threats derived from e.g. multi-tenancy, responsibilities and geographical location are recognized and analyzed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>There exists for documents that for example describe the service's architecture, data locations, data flows and interfaces. This documentation is upto-date.</li> <li>The necessary documentation is up-to-date and there exists a process to</li> </ul>	

continuously update these. Also, the documentation should also include the cloud provider's aspect.
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1.2	SLA	Notes
Service level agreement documents	<ul> <li>SLA contracts exist with some or all service providers</li> <li>SLA meets the needs of the service or services</li> </ul>	
Reference	3.10.2	
Examples	<ul> <li>SLA contracts are done with all necessary cloud providers.</li> <li>The documents are signed by all involved parties.</li> <li>The SLA requirement follows the needs specified in the service descriptions.</li> <li>The SLA documents ensure quality, reliability, security and scalability of the service.</li> </ul>	

1.3	Transferability	Notes
Technologies and contracts enable fast transfer of the service and data	<ul><li>The service uses common standards</li><li>The service uses common protocols</li><li>The policies do not prevent data transfer</li></ul>	
Reference	3.2.4	
Examples	<ul> <li>The programming languages and data formats to name a few are common and not e.g. proprietary.</li> <li>The protocols used in the service and related services are common and not e.g. proprietary.</li> <li>There exists e.g. another service provider to whose infrastructure the service could be transferred.</li> <li>There are no contractual limitation to transfer the service or the limitations are recognized and there is a plan to overcome them.</li> </ul>	

1.4	Regulative requirements	Notes
Requirements set by regulations	<ul> <li>Necessary documents exist to depict the regulations each party and service has to commit into</li> <li>Procedures exist to audit and update the documentation and procedures regularly</li> </ul>	
Reference	3.2.2, 3.2.3	
Examples	<ul> <li>The implemented regulations by the service are documented.</li> <li>Procedures exist to audit the compliance regularly.</li> <li>Procedures exist to follow changes in the regulations.</li> </ul>	

1.5	Personnel	Notes
Personnel: roles and training	<ul><li>Key roles are recognized</li><li>The personnel is trained to recognize and act upon any attacks</li></ul>	
Reference	3.10.4	
Examples	<ul> <li>Key roles, like manager roles, are recognized and named.</li> <li>All personnel is trained to recognize malicious deeds.</li> <li>All personnel is trained to follow defined procedures upon a malicious deed.</li> <li>There is a document verifying training.</li> <li>There is a documented procedure to to keep the training up-to-date.</li> </ul>	

1.6	Incident response	Notes
Incident response and definitions of responsibilities	<ul> <li>Ensure that the responsibilities are defined between the customer and provider</li> <li>Ensure the service provider and the customer have sufficient strategy for incidents</li> <li>Ensure the service provider and the customer have the ability to properly handle incidents</li> <li>Ensure that proper technology to identify potential attacks exist and operate properly, these can be for example intrusion detection or prevention systems and proper logging infrastructure</li> </ul>	

	<ul> <li>Ensure that dedicated personnel exists to handle the incidents, the incident response team should have the ability to analyze, respond, escalate and to report any incidents</li> </ul>	
Reference	3.2.6	
Examples	<ul> <li>The customer and provider both have a detailed and documented incident handling workflow.</li> <li>There is an up-to-date incident response team in all parties and shared communication channels during incident escalation.</li> <li>Technologies exist to recognize incidents, for example: SIEM, IDS, detailed information about the normal state including protocols, devices and IPs to name a few.</li> <li>Incident handling process is tested frequently and the personnel are trained.</li> </ul>	

## **Physical requirements**

2.1	Physical security and continuity	Notes
Physical security and continuity: physical security fulfilling the requirements	<ul> <li>Verify the cloud provider's documentation about physical security</li> <li>Verify that physical security fulfills the requirements</li> </ul>	
Reference	2.1	
Examples	<ul> <li>Documentation exists about the cloud provider's physical security.</li> <li>The documentation is up-to-date and the provider applies the procedures with e.g. interviewing the provider or using 3<sup>rd</sup> party audit reports.</li> <li>There is internal documentation about physical security requirements for this service or the company in general.</li> <li>Compare the provider's document against company's internal requirements.</li> </ul>	

2.2	Supply chain security and continuity	Notes
Supply chain security and continuity	<ul> <li>Verify there are contracts, controls, policies and monitoring which ensure availability and security of new hardware, software and installation</li> </ul>	
Reference	3.10.3	
Examples	<ul> <li>Verify that support contracts secure and fast enough delivery of replacement hardware, software and installation.</li> <li>Verify that proper hardware and software updates are taken care of by the contract.</li> <li>Ensure that the delivery chain is trustworthy.</li> <li>Ensure that there are written procedures to verify that the deliveries are received in proper state, e.g. seals are untouched, installations are done by designated persons.</li> </ul>	

#### **Technical requirements**

3.1	Defence-in-depth	Notes
Defense-in-depth: segmentation	<ul> <li>There are multiple layers of defenses</li> <li>Segments requiring more security are separated from those requiring less security</li> <li>There are protective measures between different segments</li> <li>The connectivity towards cloud is robust and redundant from both ends</li> </ul>	
Reference	3.12.4	
Examples	<ul> <li>Based on architecture diagrams there are different segments separated from others, when required security measures differ between devices and services.</li> <li>The built system follows the aforementioned documentation.</li> <li>There are technologies like firewalls, VPNs and intrusion detection systems between segments.</li> <li>Individual systems are protected with additional measures like host IDS, host firewalls and malware detection software.</li> <li>Dual homed connectivity via different Internet Service Providers.</li> </ul>	

3.2	Segregation of duties	Notes
Segregation of duties: avoiding dangerous work combinations and tracking changes	<ul> <li>Segregation of duties is done by both the provider and customer</li> <li>It is ensured that a single person can not execute a full path of actions</li> <li>Changes are tracked</li> </ul>	
Reference	3.2.5	
Examples	<ul> <li>Critical processes that require multiple actors are defined.</li> <li>All parties' policies, abilities and strategy are ensuring segregation of duties.</li> <li>There are technical and process oriented measures to ensure segregation.</li> <li>There is sufficient tracking for all critical actions.</li> </ul>	

A single person can not modify tracking logs.	
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3.3	Encryption and key management	Notes
Encryption: securing data and keys	<ul> <li>Data stores and flows are documented</li> <li>Data is encrypted during storage and transfer when required</li> <li>The encryption algorithms used are sufficient and fulfill legislative requirements</li> <li>The encryption keys are sufficient and stored so that their secrecy and availability are ensured</li> <li>Backups to cloud are encrypted</li> </ul>	
Reference	3.11.1, 3.11.4	
Examples	<ul> <li>All data locations whether moving or in rest are documented.</li> <li>The data is encrypted or protected with other acceptable methods like hiding all the time.</li> <li>The encryption algorithms satisfy the requirements of legislation, policies and current recommendations.</li> <li>The encryption devices, software and configuration are according to legislation, policies and recommendations.</li> <li>The encryption keys are of required length and complexity, the keys are changed on required intervals.</li> <li>The keys are stored securely and separated from data, the keys are stored so that they can not be lost.</li> <li>Process exist to verify that the encryption and keys are updated as needed.</li> <li>Process exist to audit that data and communication are encrypted when needed.</li> <li>Backups are encrypted using keys not shared with the service provider.</li> </ul>	

3.4	Backups	Notes
Backups and restoration	<ul> <li>Regular backups are taken of all the relevant data</li> <li>Backups are stored regularly to an offsite location(s)</li> <li>Full backup (if applicable) is taken regularly enough for restore time to meet the RTO</li> <li>Backup mediums are being refreshed so that when new backup systems become available, old backups are still readable for restores</li> <li>Expired backup mediums are destroyed according to standard or overwritten by new backups</li> <li>Restore functionality is tested regularly</li> </ul>	
Reference	3.12.1	
Examples	<ul> <li>All relevant data is identified and backups are configured.</li> <li>Tape/disk library in a separate location.</li> <li>Full backup (if applicable) is taken regularly enough for restores to be fluent.</li> <li>Backup mediums are refreshed as new LTO generations are being introduced.</li> <li>Mediums are destroyed using a standard compliant mechanism once they are at the end of their lifecycle.</li> <li>Restore functionality is tested regularly by using scripts and status is being monitored.</li> </ul>	

3.5	Authentication	Notes
Secure authentication throughout the infrastructure	<ul> <li>Users, devices and services are authenticated throughout the service</li> <li>Authentication methods follow recommendations</li> <li>Authentication data is protected</li> </ul>	
Reference	5.3.5	
Examples	<ul> <li>All data and process access requires authentication and authorization.</li> <li>When possible, two-factor authentication is used.</li> <li>Authentication is constructed using at least one of the following: something the user knows, has or is unique to each user.</li> <li>Logon ID does not consist of e.g.</li> </ul>	

	<ul> <li>person's name or other easily accessible data.</li> <li>Authentication data is properly protected.</li> <li>The authentication requirements are fulfilled all over the service, including also the platform and other dependencies.</li> </ul>	
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3.6	Lifecycle management	Notes
Managing services throughout their lifetime	<ul> <li>Different stages of service lifecycle are identified and record of services is kept</li> <li>There is a regular procedure to update the service catalog</li> <li>There is a clearly defined decommissioning procedure for services</li> </ul>	
Reference	3.10.5	
Examples	<ul> <li>Specs, discovery, negotiation, composition, consumption and decommissioning are identified.</li> <li>Automated mechanism in-place to detect new hosts and services.</li> <li>Decommissioning planning is part of the initial specification.</li> </ul>	

3.7	Hardening	Notes
Minimized installations	Used disk images are hardened to contain the desired settings and patches	
Reference	5.3.7	
Examples	<ul> <li>The disk images used in services are acquired from a defined source.</li> <li>The images are minimized to contain only the needed software and correct configuration.</li> <li>The images are updated frequently.</li> <li>The image installation and update processes are monitored.</li> <li>Other requirements by the customer concerning the operating system and dependencies are fulfilled.</li> </ul>	

3.8	Vulnerability and patch management	Notes
Vulnerability and patch management: keeping software up-to-date	<ul> <li>Updating and patching of devices and services are applied in a managed manner by both the customer and provider</li> <li>Security scans are used to ensure proper update and patch procedures</li> </ul>	
Reference	5.3.8, 3.12.6	
Examples	<ul> <li>Both the customer and provider have a process to recognize and analyze any vulnerabilities in the systems.</li> <li>Updates and patches are applied frequently in a controlled manner.</li> <li>Vulnerability scans or equivalent methods are used to verify that all devices and services are up-to-date.</li> <li>Patching, updating and scanning are applied to different parts of the infrastructure.</li> </ul>	

3.9	Log management	Notes
Log management: securing and gathering logs for tracing and alarms	<ul> <li>Logging is configured</li> <li>There is a log filtering and alarming configured</li> <li>There is a mechanism in-place to detect and prevent tampering with the log entries</li> <li>Logging is done to a remote system</li> <li>Custom applications (if applicable) implement their logging according to an applicable standard</li> </ul>	
Reference	3.12.7	
Examples	<ul> <li>Logging is configured and not left on defaults.</li> <li>SIEM system or similar log filtering and analysis tool is deployed.</li> <li>Logging is configured to send logs to a remote log server.</li> <li>Logging is part of the specification of the custom application.</li> </ul>	