



# CMMC COMPLIANCE

# SAFEGUARDING SENSITIVE DATA

#### WHAT IS CMMC COMPLIANCE?

CMMC stands for **Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification**. It is a unified standard for assessing and enhancing the cybersecurity posture of companies in the defense industrial base (DIB) sector. CMMC compliance is necessary for contractors and subcontractors who work with the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) to protect sensitive information.

# CMMC COMPLIANCE IS DESIGNED TO MEASURE AN ORGANIZATION'S MATURITY AND CAPABILITY TO SAFEGUARD SENSITIVE DATA THROUGH A TIERED APPROACH.

#### **CMMC LEVELS**

The CMMC framework consists of five levels of cybersecurity maturity, ranging from Level 1 (basic cyber hygiene) to Level 5 (advanced cybersecurity practices).

#### **3RD-PARTY ASSESSMENT ORGS**

CMMC compliance requires organizations to undergo assessments conducted by accredited C3PAOs. These independent assessors evaluate an organization's adherence to the CMMC controls and practices to determine its level of compliance.

#### CONTROLS AND PRACTICES

The CMMC framework includes a comprehensive set of cybersecurity controls and practices derived from various established standards, such as NIST SP 800-171, NIST SP 800-53, AND ISO 27001.

### **DOCUMENTATION AND POLICIES**

Organizations seeking CMMC compliance must develop and maintain documentation and policies that demonstrate their adherence to the CMMC controls and practices. This includes security plans, policies, and procedures, and evidence of implementation and monitoring.

#### **CONTINUOUS MONITORING**

CMMC compliance is an ongoing process that requires organizations to continuously monitor their cybersecurity practices and make improvements as needed. Regular assessments and audits help ensure ongoing compliance and identify areas for enhancement.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Achieving CMMC compliance is essential for organizations seeking to participate in DoD contracts and collaborate within the defense supply chain. It demonstrates a commitment to safeguarding sensitive information and mitigating cybersecurity risks.

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