

Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC)

CMMC 2.0 Purpose:

To safeguard sensitive national security information, the Department of Defense (DoD) launched CMMC 2.0, a comprehensive framework to protect the defense industrial base's (DIB) sensitive unclassified information from frequent and increasingly complex cyberattacks. With its streamlined requirements, CMMC 2.0:

- Simplifies compliance by allowing self-assessment for some requirements
- Applies priorities for protecting DoD information
- Reinforces cooperation between the DoD and industry in addressing evolving cyber threats

To learn more about this soon-to-be certification requirement, go to the Official Website of the Defense Department Chief Information Officer at: <https://dodcio.defense.gov/CMMC/>

NOTE: Implementation of CMMC has been postponed until Version 2.0 rulemaking is completed, circa. FY 2025.

What Is the NIST SP 800-171 and Who Needs to Follow It?

NIST SP 800-171 is a NIST Special Publication (SP) that provides recommended requirements for protecting the confidentiality of Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI). Defense contractors must implement the recommended requirements contained in NIST SP 800-171 to demonstrate their provision of adequate security to protect the covered defense information included in their defense contracts, as required by DFARS clause 252.204-7012. If a manufacturer is part of a DoD, General Services Administration (GSA), NASA or other federal or state agencies' supply chain, the implementation of the security requirements included in NIST SP 800-171 is a must.

To learn more about the NIST SP go to the NIST website at:

<https://www.nist.gov/blogs/manufacturing-innovation-blog/what-nist-sp-800-171-and-who-needs-follow-it-0>

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