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About This Document

This document is Volume 4 of the *OCTAVE-S Implementation Guide*, a 10-volume handbook supporting the OCTAVE-S methodology. This volume provides the worksheets that are completed once for the organization during an evaluation. These worksheets reflect information that is independent of any specific asset.

The volumes in this handbook are

- *Volume 1: Introduction to OCTAVE-S* This volume provides a basic description of OCTAVE-S and advice on how to use the guide.
- *Volume 2: Preparation Guidelines* This volume contains background and guidance for preparing to conduct an OCTAVE-S evaluation.
- *Volume 3: Method Guidelines* This volume includes detailed guidance for each OCTAVE-S activity.
- *Volume 4: Organizational Information Workbook* This volume provides worksheets for all organizational-level information gathered and analyzed during OCTAVE-S.
- *Volume 5: Critical Asset Workbook for Information* This volume provides worksheets to document data related to critical assets that are categorized as information.
- *Volume 6: Critical Asset Workbook for Systems* This volume provides worksheets to document data related to critical assets that are categorized as systems.
- *Volume 7: Critical Asset Workbook for Applications* This volume provides worksheets to document data related to critical assets that are categorized as applications.
- *Volume 8: Critical Asset Workbook for People* This volume provides worksheets to document data related to critical assets that are categorized as people.
- *Volume 9: Strategy and Plan Workbook* This volume provides worksheets to record the current and desired protection strategy and the risk mitigation plans.
- *Volume 10: Example Scenario* This volume includes a detailed scenario illustrating a completed set of worksheets.

Abstract

The Operationally Critical Threat, Asset, and Vulnerability EvaluationSM (OCTAVE[®]) approach defines a risk-based strategic assessment and planning technique for security. OCTAVE is a self-directed approach, meaning that people from an organization assume responsibility for setting the organization's security strategy. OCTAVE-S is a variation of the approach tailored to the limited means and unique constraints typically found in small organizations (less than 100 people). OCTAVE-S is led by a small, interdisciplinary team (three to five people) of an organization's personnel who gather and analyze information, producing a protection strategy and mitigation plans based on the organization's unique operational security risks. To conduct OCTAVE-S effectively, the team must have broad knowledge of the organization's business and security processes, so it will be able to conduct all activities by itself.

Abstract

1 Introduction

This document contains the Operationally Critical Threat, Asset, and Vulnerability EvaluationSM (OCTAVE[®])-S worksheets that are completed once during an evaluation. The activities that require these worksheets are asset-independent, indicating an organizational focus and relevance across all critical assets.

Table 1 provides a brief introduction to the contents of this workbook, using activity step numbers as a key. For more details about how to complete each step, refer to the *OCTAVE®-S Method Guidelines*, which can be found in Volume 3 of the *OCTAVE®-S Implementation Guide*.

| Step | Description | Worksheet | Activity | Pages |
|---------|--|----------------------------------|--|-------|
| Step 1 | Define a qualitative set of measures (high, medium, low) against which you will evaluate a risk's effect on your organization's mission and business objectives. | Impact Evaluation Criteria | Phase 1 Process S1 S1.1 Establish Impact Evaluation Criteria | 5-18 |
| Step 2 | Identify information-related assets in your organization (information, systems, applications, people). | Asset Identification | Phase 1 Process S1 S1.2 Identify Organizational Assets | 19-28 |
| Step 3a | Determine to what extent each practice in the survey is used by the organization. | Security Practices | Phase 1 Process S1 S1.3 Evaluate Organizational Security Practices | 29-60 |

Table 1:Worksheets Provided in This Workbook

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| Step | Description | Worksheet | Activity | Pages |
|-------------|---|--------------------------------|--|-------|
| Step 3b | As you evaluate each security practice area using the survey from Step 3a, document detailed examples of what your organization is currently doing well in this area (security practices) what your organization is currently <i>not</i> doing well in this area (organizational vulnerabilities) | Security Practices | Phase 1 Process S1 S1.3 Evaluate Organizational Security Practices | 29-60 |
| Step 4 | After completing Steps 3a and 3b, assign a stoplight status (red, green, yellow) to each security practice area. The stoplight status should reflect how well you believe your organization is performing in each area. | Security Practices | Phase 1 Process S1 S1.3 Evaluate Organizational Security Practices | 29-60 |
| Step 5 | Review the information-related assets that you identified during Step 2 and select up to five assets that are most critical to the organization. | Critical Asset Selection | Phase 1 Process S2 S2.1 Select Critical Assets | 61-64 |
| Step 19a | Document the classes of components that are related to one or more critical assets and that can provide access to those assets. Mark the path to each class selected in Steps 18a-18e. Note any relevant subclasses or specific examples when appropriate. | Infrastructure Review | Phase 2 Process S3 S4.2 Analyze Technology-Related Processes | 65-70 |
| Step 19b | | | Phase 2 Process S3 S4.2 Analyze Technology-Related Processes | 65-70 |
| Step 20 | For each class of components documented in Step 19a, note the person or group responsible for maintaining and securing that class of component. | Infrastructure Review | Phase 2 Process S3 S4.2 Analyze Technology-Related Processes | 65-70 |

Table 1: Worksheets Provided in This Workbook (cont.)

| Step | Description | Worksheet | Activity | Pages |
|---------|---|---------------------------------------|--|-------|
| Step 21 | For each class of components documented in Step 19a, note the extent to which security is considered when configuring and maintaining that class. Also record how you came to that conclusion. Finally, document any additional context relevant to your infrastructure review. | Infrastructure Review | Phase 2 Process S3 S4.2 Analyze Technology-Related Processes | 65-70 |
| Step 23 | Define a qualitative set of measures (high, medium, low) against which you will evaluate the likelihood of a threat occurring. | Probability Evaluation Criteria | Phase 3 Process S4 S4.2 Establish Probability Evaluation Criteria | 71-73 |

Table 1:Worksheets Provided in This Workbook (cont.)

Introduction

2 Impact Evaluation Criteria Worksheet



| Step | 1 |
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| | |

Define a qualitative set of measures (high, medium, low) against which you will evaluate a risk's effect on your organization's mission and business objectives.

| Step 1 | |
|------------------------------|---|
| Reputation/Customer Confiden | ce |
| Impact Type | Low Impact |
| Reputation | Reputation is minimally affected; little or no effort or expense is required to recover. |
| Customer Loss | Less than% reduction in customers due to loss of confidence |
| Other: | |
| Other: | |

| | Reputation/Customer Confidence |
|--|---|
| Medium Impact | High Impact |
| Reputation is damaged, and some effort and expense is required to recover. | Reputation is irrevocably destroyed or damaged. |
| to% reduction in customers due to loss of confidence | More than% reduction in customers due to loss of confidence |
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| Step 1 | _ |
|--------------------------|--|
| Financial Impact Type | Low Impact |
| Operating Costs | Increase of less than% in yearly operating costs |
| Revenue Loss | Less than% yearly revenue loss |
| One-Time Financial Loss | One-time financial cost of less than \$ |
| Other: | |

| | Financial |
|--|--|
| Medium Impact | High Impact |
| Yearly operating costs increase byto%. | Yearly operating costs increase by more than%. |
| to% yearly revenue loss | Greater than% yearly revenue loss |
| One-time financial cost of \$ to \$ | One-time financial cost greater than \$ |
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| Step 1 | | |
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| Productivity | | |
| Impact Type | Low Impact | |
| Staff Hours | Staff work hours are increased by less than% forto day(s). | |
| Other: | | |
| Other: | | |
| Other: | | |

| | Productivity |
|--|--|
| Medium Impact | High Impact |
| Staff work hours are increased between% and% forto day(s). | Staff work hours are increased by greater than% fortoday(s). |
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| Step 1 Safety/Health | |
|-------------------------|--|
| Impact Type | Low Impact |
| Life | No loss or significant threat to customers' or staff members' lives |
| Health | Minimal, immediately treatable degradation in customers' or staff members' health with recovery within four days |
| Safety | Safety questioned |
| Other: | |

| | Safety/Health |
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| Medium Impact | High Impact |
| Customers' or staff members' lives are threatened, but they will recover after receiving medical treatment. | Loss of customers' or staff members' lives |
| Temporary or recoverable impairment of customers' or staff members' health | Permanent impairment of significant aspects of customers' or staff members' health |
| Safety affected | Safety violated |
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| Fines/Legal Penalties | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Impact Type | Low Impact |
| Fines | Fines less than \$are levied. |
| Lawsuits | Non-frivolous lawsuit or lawsuits less than \$ are filed against the organization, or frivolous lawsuit(s) are filed against the organization. |
| Investigations | No queries from government or other investigative organizations |
| Other: | |

| | Fines/Legal Penalties |
|---|--|
| Medium Impact | High Impact |
| Fines between \$and \$are levied. | Fines greater than \$are levied. |
| Non-frivolous lawsuit or lawsuits between \$ and \$are filed against the organization. | Non-frivolous lawsuit or lawsuits greater than \$ are filed against the organization. |
| Government or other investigative organization requests information or records (low-profile). | Government or other investigative organization initiates a high-profile, in-depth investigation into organizational practices. |
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| Other Impact Type | Low Impact |
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3 Asset Identification Worksheet

| | Phase 1 | |
|--------|--|-----|
| | Process S1 | |
| | Activity S | 1.2 |
| Step 2 | Identify information-related assets in your organization (information, systems, application people). | 18, |

Step 2

| Information, Systems, and Applications | | |
|---|---|--|
| System | Information | |
| What systems do people in your organization need to perform their jobs? | What information do people in your organization need to perform their jobs? | |
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| | Information, Systems, and Applications |
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| Applications and Services | Other Assets |
| What applications and services do people in your organization need to perform their jobs? | What other assets are closely related to these assets? |
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Step 2

| System | Information |
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| System | |
| What systems do people in your organization need to perform their jobs? | What information do people in your organization need to perform their jobs? |
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| | Information, Systems, and Applications (cont.) |
|---|--|
| Applications and Services | Other Assets |
| What applications and services do people in your organization need to perform their jobs? | What other assets are closely related to these assets? |
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Step 2

| People | |
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| People | Skills and Knowledge |
| Which people have a special skill or knowledge that is vital to your organization and would be difficult to replace? | What are their special skills or knowledge? |
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| | People | |
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| Related Systems | Related Assets | |
| Which systems do these people use? | Which other assets do these people use (i.e., information, services, and applications)? | |
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Step 2

| People (cont.) | | |
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| People | Skills and Knowledge | |
| Which people have a special skill or knowledge that is vital to your organization and would be difficult to replace? | What are their special skills or knowledge? | |
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| Related Systems | Related Assets | |
| Which systems do these people use? | Which other assets do these people use (i.e., information, services, and applications)? | |
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4 Security Practices Worksheet

| | Phase 1 | |
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| | Process S1 | |
| | Activity S1.3 | |
| Step 3a | Determine to what extent each practice in the survey is used by the organization. |] |
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| Step 3b | As you evaluate each security practice area using the survey from Step 3a, document detailed examples of |
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| | what your organization is currently doing well in this area (security practices) what your organization is currently <i>not</i> doing well in this area (organizational vulnerabilities) |

| Step 4 | After completing Steps 3a and 3b, assign a stoplight status (red, green, yellow) to each security practice area. The stoplight status should reflect how well you believe your organization is performing in each area. |
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1. Security Awareness and Training

| Statement | To what extent is this statement reflected in your organization? | | | |
|---|--|----------|------------|------------|
| Staff members understand their security roles and responsibilities. This is documented and verified. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| There is adequate in-house expertise for all supported services, mechanisms, and technologies (e.g., logging, monitoring, or encryption), including their secure operation. This is documented and verified. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| Security awareness, training, and periodic reminders are provided for all personnel. Staff understanding is documented and conformance is periodically verified. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| Staff members follow good security practice, such as | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| • securing information for which they are responsible | | | | |
| • not divulging sensitive information to others (resistance to social engineering) | | | | |
| having adequate ability to use information technology hardware and software | | | | |
| • using good password practices | | | | |
| • understanding and following security policies and regulations | | | | |
| • recognizing and reporting incidents | | | | |

| Step 3b | | Step 4 |
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| What is your organization currently doing well in this area? | What is your organization currently <i>not</i> doing well in this area? | How effectively is your organization implementing the practices in this area? |
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2. Security Strategy

| Statement | To what extent is this statement reflected in your organization? | | | |
|--|--|----------|------------|------------|
| The organization's business strategies routinely incorporate security considerations. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| Security strategies and policies take into consideration the organization's business strategies and goals. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| Security strategies, goals, and objectives are documented and are routinely reviewed, updated, and communicated to the organization. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |

| | | 2. Security Strategy |
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| Step 3b | | Step 4 |
| What is your organization currently doing well in this area? | What is your organization currently <i>not</i> doing well in this area? | How effectively is your organization implementing the practices in this area? |
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3. Security Management

| Statement | To what extent is this statement reflected in your organization? |
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| Management allocates sufficient funds and resources to information security activities. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know |
| Security roles and responsibilities are defined for all staff in the organization. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know |
| All staff at all levels of responsibility implement their assigned roles and responsibility for information security. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know |
| There are documented procedures for authorizing and overseeing all staff (including personnel from third- party organizations) who work with sensitive information or who work in locations where the information resides. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know |
| The organization's hiring and termination practices for staff take information security issues into account. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know |
| The organization manages information security risks, including assessing risks to information security taking steps to mitigate information security risks | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know |
| Management receives and acts upon routine reports summarizing security-related information (e.g., audits, logs, risk and vulnerability assessments). | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know |

| | 3. | Security Management |
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| Step 3b | | Step 4 |
| What is your organization currently doing well in this area? | What is your organization currently <i>not</i> doing well in this area? | How effectively is your organization implementing the practices in this area? |
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4. Security Policies and Regulations

| Statement | To what extent is this statement reflected in your organization? | | | ted in your |
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| The organization has a comprehensive set of documented, current policies that are periodically reviewed and updated. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| There is a documented process for management of security policies, including creation administration (including periodic reviews and updates) | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| • communication | | | | |
| The organization has a documented process for evaluating and ensuring compliance with information security policies, applicable laws and regulations, and insurance requirements. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The organization uniformly enforces its security policies. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |

| 4. Security | Policies | and R | egulations |
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| Step 3b | | Step 4 |
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| What is your organization currently doing well in this area? | What is your organization currently <i>not</i> doing well in this area? | How effectively is your organization implementing the practices in this area? |
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5. Collaborative Security Management

| Statement | To what extent is this statement reflected in your organization? | | | ted in your |
|--|--|----------|------------|-------------|
| The organization has policies and procedures for protecting information when working with external organizations (e.g., third parties, collaborators, subcontractors, or partners), including | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| protecting information belonging to other organizations | | | | |
| • understanding the security polices and procedures of external organizations | | | | |
| • ending access to information by terminated external personnel | | | | |
| The organization documents information protection requirements and explicitly communicates them to all appropriate third parties. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The organization has formal mechanisms for verifying that all third-party organizations, outsourced security services, mechanisms, and technologies meet its needs and requirements. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The organization has policies and procedures for collaborating with all third-party organizations that | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| provide security awareness and training services | | | | |
| • develop security policies for the organization | | | | |
| • develop contingency plans for the organization | | | | |



| Step 3b | | Step 4 |
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| What is your organization currently doing well in this area? | What is your organization currently <i>not</i> doing well in this area? | How effectively is your organization implementing the practices in this area? |
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6. Contingency Planning/Disaster Recovery

| Statement | To what extent is this statement reflected in your organization? | | | ted in your |
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| An analysis of operations, applications, and data criticality has been performed. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The organization has documented, reviewed, and tested contingency plan(s) for responding to emergencies disaster recovery plan(s) business continuity or emergency operation plans | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The contingency, disaster recovery, and business continuity plans consider physical and electronic access requirements and controls. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| All staff are aware of the contingency, disaster recovery, and business continuity plans understand and are able to carry out their responsibilities | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |

| | 6. Contingency Plan | nning/Disaster Recovery | |
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| Step 3b | | Step 4 | |
| What is your organization currently doing well in this area? | What is your organization currently <i>not</i> doing well in this area? | How effectively is your organization implementing the practices in this area? | |
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7. Physical Access Control

| Statement | To what extent is this statement reflected in your organization? | | ted in your | |
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| If staff from your organization is responsible for this area: | | | | |
| Facility security plans and procedures for safeguarding the premises, buildings, and any restricted areas are documented and tested. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| There are documented policies and procedures for managing visitors. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| There are documented policies and procedures for controlling physical access to work areas and hardware (computers, communication devices, etc.) and software media. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| Workstations and other components that allow access to sensitive information are physically safeguarded to prevent unauthorized access. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| If staff from a third party is responsible for this area: | | | | |
| The organization's requirements for physical access control are formally communicated to all contractors and service providers that control physical access to the building and premises, work areas, IT hardware, and software media. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The organization formally verifies that contractors and service providers have met the requirements for physical access control. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |

| | 7.1 | Physical Access Control |
|--|---|---|
| Step 3b | | Step 4 |
| What is your organization currently doing well in this area? | What is your organization currently <i>not</i> doing well in this area? | How effectively is your organization implementing the practices in this area? |
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8. Monitoring and Auditing Physical Security

| Statement | To what extent is this statement reflected in your organization? | | | ted in your |
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| If staff from your organization is responsible for this area: | | | | |
| Maintenance records are kept to document the repairs and modifications of a facility's physical components. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| An individual's or group's actions, with respect to all physically controlled media, can be accounted for. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| Audit and monitoring records are routinely examined for anomalies, and corrective action is taken as needed. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| If staff from a third party is responsible for this area: | 0,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, | | ******************************* | |
| The organization's requirements for monitoring physical security are formally communicated to all contractors and service providers that monitor physical access to the building and premises, work areas, IT hardware, and software media. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The organization formally verifies that contractors and service providers have met the requirements for monitoring physical security. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |

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9. System and Network Management

| Statement | To what extent is this statement reflected in your organization? | | ted in your | |
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| If staff from your organization is responsible for this area: | | | | |
| There are documented and tested security plan(s) for safeguarding the systems and networks. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| Sensitive information is protected by secure storage (e.g., backups stored off site, discard process for sensitive information). | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The integrity of installed software is regularly verified. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| All systems are up to date with respect to revisions, patches, and recommendations in security advisories. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| There is a documented and tested data backup plan for backups of both software and data. All staff understand their responsibilities under the backup plans. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| Changes to IT hardware and software are planned, controlled, and documented. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| IT staff members follow procedures when issuing, changing, and terminating users' passwords, accounts, and privileges. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| • Unique user identification is required for all information system users, including third-party users. | | | | |
| • Default accounts and default passwords have been removed from systems. | | | | |
| Only necessary services are running on systems – all unnecessary services have been removed. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| Tools and mechanisms for secure system and network administration are used, and are routinely reviewed and updated or replaced. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| If staff from a third party is responsible for this area: | | | | |
| The organization's security-related system and network management requirements are formally communicated to all contractors and service providers that maintain systems and networks. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The organization formally verifies that contractors and service providers have met the requirements for security-related system and network management. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |

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10. Monitoring and Auditing IT Security

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| If staff from your organization is responsible for this area: | | | | |
| System and network monitoring and auditing tools are routinely used by the organization. Unusual activity is dealt with according to the appropriate policy or procedure. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| Firewall and other security components are periodically audited for compliance with policy. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| If staff from a third party is responsible for this area: | | | | |
| The organization's requirements for monitoring information technology security are formally communicated to all contractors and service providers that monitor systems and networks. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The organization formally verifies that contractors and service providers have met the requirements for monitoring information technology security. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |

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11. Authentication and Authorization

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| If staff from your organization is responsible for this area: | | |
| Appropriate access controls and user authentication (e.g., file permissions, network configuration) consistent with policy are used to restrict user access to information, sensitive systems, specific applications and services, and network connections. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know | |
| There are documented policies and procedures to establish and terminate the right of access to information for both individuals and groups. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know | |
| Methods or mechanisms are provided to ensure that sensitive information has not been accessed, altered, or destroyed in an unauthorized manner. Methods or mechanisms are periodically reviewed and verified. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know | |
| If staff from a third party is responsible for this area: | | |
| The organization's requirements for controlling access to systems and information are formally communicated to all contractors and service providers that provide authentication and authorization services. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know | |
| The organization formally verifies that contractors and service providers have met the requirements for authentication and authorization. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know | |

| 11. Authentication and Authorization |
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12. Vulnerability Management

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| If staff from your organization is responsible for this area: | | | | |
| There is a documented set of procedures for managing vulnerabilities, including | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| selecting vulnerability evaluation tools, checklists, and scripts | | | | |
| keeping up to date with known vulnerability types and attack methods | | | | |
| reviewing sources of information on vulnerability announcements, security alerts, and notices | | | | |
| • identifying infrastructure components to be evaluated | | | | |
| • scheduling of vulnerability evaluations | | | | |
| • interpreting and responding to the evaluation results | | | | |
| • maintaining secure storage and disposition of vulnerability data | | | | |
| Vulnerability management procedures are followed and are periodically reviewed and updated. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| Technology vulnerability assessments are performed on a periodic basis, and vulnerabilities are addressed when they are identified. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| If staff from a third party is responsible for this area: | | | ********** | |
| The organization's vulnerability management requirements are formally communicated to all contractors and service providers that manage technology vulnerabilities. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The organization formally verifies that contractors and service providers have met the requirements for vulnerability management. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |

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13. Encryption

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| If staff from your organization is responsible for this area: | | | |
| Appropriate security controls are used to protect sensitive information while in storage and during transmission (e.g., data encryption, public key infrastructure, virtual private network technology). | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know | | |
| Encrypted protocols are used when remotely managing systems, routers, and firewalls. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know | | |
| If staff from a third party is responsible for this area: | | | |
| The organization's requirements for protecting sensitive information are formally communicated to all contractors and service providers that provide encryption technologies. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know | | |
| The organization formally verifies that contractors and service providers have met the requirements for implementing encryption technologies. | Very Much Somewhat Not At All Don't Know | | |

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14. Security Architecture and Design

| Statement | To what extent is this statement reflected in your organization? | | | |
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| If staff from your organization is responsible for this area: | | | | |
| System architecture and design for new and revised systems include considerations for | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| • security strategies, policies, and procedures | | | | |
| • history of security compromises | | | | |
| • results of security risk assessments | | | | |
| The organization has up-to-date diagrams that show the enterprise-wide security architecture and network topology. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| If staff from a third party is responsible for this area: | | | | |
| The organization's security-related requirements are formally communicated to all contractors and service providers that design systems and networks. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |
| The organization formally verifies that contractors and service providers have met the requirements for security architecture and design. | Very Much | Somewhat | Not At All | Don't Know |

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15. Incident Management

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| If staff from your organization is responsible for this area: | | | |
| Documented procedures exist for identifying, reporting, and responding to suspected security incidents and violations. | Very Much Somewhat Not At Al | l Don't Know | |
| Incident management procedures are periodically tested, verified, and updated. | Very Much Somewhat Not At Al | l Don't Know | |
| There are documented policies and procedures for working with law enforcement agencies. | Very Much Somewhat Not At Al | l Don't Know | |
| If staff from a third party is responsible for this area: | | | |
| The organization's requirements for managing incidents are formally communicated to all contractors and service providers that provide incident management services. | Very Much Somewhat Not At Al | l Don't Know | |
| The organization formally verifies that contractors and service providers have met the requirements for managing incidents. | Very Much Somewhat Not At A | l Don't Know | |

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5 Critical Asset Selection Worksheet



| Questions to Consider: | Which assets would have a large adverse impact on the organization if |
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| | • they are disclosed to unauthorized people? |
| | • they are modified without authorization? |
| | • they are lost or destroyed? |
| | • access to them is interrupted? |

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Phase 2

6 Infrastructure Review Worksheet

| | Process S3 |
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| | Activity S3.2 |
| Step 19a | Document the classes of components that are related to one or more critical assets and that can provide access to those assets. Mark the path to each class selected in Steps 18a-18e. Note any relevant subclasses or specific examples when appropriate. |

| Step 19b | For each class of components documented in Step 19a, note which critical assets are related to that class. |
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| Step 20 | For each class of components documented in Step 19a, note the person or group responsible for maintaining and securing that class of component. |
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| Step 21 | For each class of components documented in Step 19a, note the extent to which security is considered when configuring and maintaining that class. Also record how you came to that conclusion. Finally, document any additional context relevant to your infrastructure review. |
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| Gap Analysis | Refine Phase 1 information based on the analysis of access paths and technology-related processes. Update the following, if appropriate: |
| | • Mark any additional branches of the threat trees when appropriate (Step 12). Be sure to document appropriate context for each branch you mark (Steps 13-16). |
| | • Revise documented areas of concern by adding additional details when appropriate. Identify and document new areas of concern when appropriate (Step 16). |
| | • Revise documented security practices and organizational vulnerabilities by adding additional details when appropriate. Identify and document new security practices and/or organizational vulnerabilities when appropriate (Step 3b). |
| | • Revise the stoplight status for a security practice when appropriate (Step 4). |

| | Step 19a | Step 19b | Step 20 | |
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| | Class | Critical Assets | Responsibility | |
| <u>Note</u> In Step 19a, mark the path to each class selected in Steps 18a-18e. | Which classes of components are related to one or more critical assets? | Which critical assets are related to each class? | Who is responsible for maintaining and securing each class of components? | |
| | (Document any relevant subclasses or specific examples when appropriate.) | | | |
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| To what extent is security considered when configuring and maintaining each class of components? | | | How do you know? | | What additional information do you want to record | |
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7 Probability Evaluation Criteria Worksheet

| | Phase 3 |
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| | Process S4 |
| | Activity S4.2 |
| Step 23 | Define a qualitative set of measures (high, medium, low) against which you will evaluate the likelihood of a threat occurring. |
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| | Step 23 | d Criteria | 1 | | | | |
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| | Frequency-Based Criteria 1. Think about what constitutes a high, medium, and low likelihood of occurrence for threats to your organization's critical assets. | | | | | | |
| Time Between Events | Daily | Weekly | Monthly | Four Times Per Year | Two Times Per Year | | |
| Annualized Frequency | 365 | 52 | 12 | 4 | 2 | | |

| 2. Draw lines that separate high from medium and medium from low. | | | | | | | | |
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