

Intellectual property rights

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Control

The organization should implement appropriate procedures to protect intellectual property rights

Purpose

To ensure compliance with legal, statutory, regulatory and contractual requirements related to intellectual property rights and use of proprietary products



Which major steps are important?

- Defining and communicating a topic-specific policy on protection of intellectual property rights
- Acquiring software only through known and reputable sources
- Carrying out reviews to ensure only authorized software and licensed products are installed
- Ensuring that any maximum number of users or resources permitted within the license is not exceeded

How can it be implemented ?

- Intellectual Property Policy
- Intellectual property and license management
- Inventory of licensed assets
- Proof of Ownership of Licenses
- Maximum number of users
- Audit of License Management
- License Removal



Which evidence should be kept ?

- Appropriate asset registers maintained (including IP assets and license requirements)
- Proof and evidence of ownership of licenses, manuals, etc.
- Records of reviews ensuring only authorized software and licensed products are installed

Link with other frameworks

- NIST 800-53 rev5 : CM-10*
- NIST CSF 2.0 : GV.OC-03



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