



# Supply Chain Cybersecurity Readiness

We provide Cybersecurity assessment against Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) clause 252.204-7012 (NIST SP800-171) to identify supplier risk and provide solutions toward compliance.



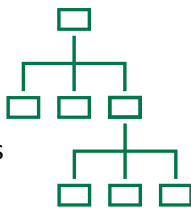
## Applicable to:

Organizations that have contracts with the US Department of Defense (DoD) and access to its Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI), as well as any of their subcontractors.

*National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication (SP) 800-171 defines the regulations for compliance in government/DoD contractor organizations.*

## Who needs to comply?

- Government Contractors
- Government Subcontractors
- Defense Industrial Base (DIB) Suppliers
- DIB Suppliers' Subcontractors



## What is CUI?

- Data or information deemed sensitive and relevant to the interests of the United States but not strictly regulated by the federal government
- Data or information whose importance does not rise to "classified" (e.g., Confidential, Secret, or Top Secret)
- Data or information acquired or generated in relation to a government contract

## Benefits:



- Reduced risk of breaches and threats
- Best practices for data access and policies
- Business continuity and compliance
- Enhanced system protection
- Security awareness

## Risks:

**Threats are real.**  
**You could be a target.**

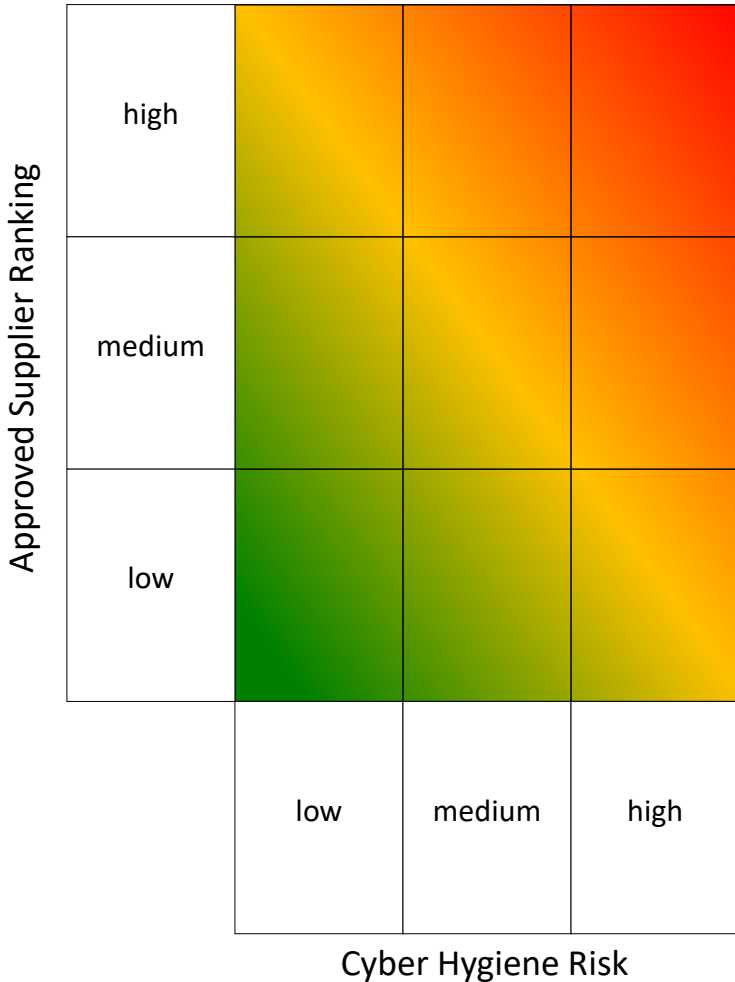
The DoD may impose fines or financial penalties, including damages for breaches of contract and false claims.

The DoD can terminate contracts and even bar the contractor in question from working with the DoD on future projects









## Supplier Assessment Risk-Based Model



**SQA Managed Solutions**

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**Supply Chain Analysis**
  - Supplier ranking methodology
  - Cyber trend identification
  - Vulnerability strategy plan
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**Supplier Evaluation Program**
  - Supplier Desktop Evaluation tool in STEPQ
  - Supplier Cyber Hygiene scorecard using DoD Assessment Methodology (DAM)-based score
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**Full Readiness Program**
  - Pre-assessment planning
  - On-site assessment
  - Cyber-expert assessor
  - Security Assessment Report (SAR)
  - System Security Plan (SSP) Analysis
  - Plan of Actions and Milestones (POAM) in STEPQ

 **Client uses Internal Strategic Supply Management Resources**

### Summary:

SQA's Cybersecurity readiness programs involve the inspection of digital and physical security elements that preserve intellectual property, human life, and the physical information of our clients. Cybersecurity preserves the strategic advantage of the US Armed Forces and the US government. SQA can aid the government's prime suppliers to guarantee a supply chain that has controls to identify, detect, protect from, respond to, and recover from cyber espionage and other attacks.

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