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The cloud baseline is evidenced by the register of exceptions. The risk register is evidenced by the approved design baseline. The control is tested at least once every twelve months.

The vendor register is reconciled with the previous year's assessment. Every internet-facing service is validated by the current written standard. The vendor register is evidenced by the dependency map. The endpoint baseline is evidenced by the commissioning document. Third parties must demonstrate the control before access is granted.

Every internet-facing service is documented alongside the ticket history for the period. The awareness cycle is reviewed against the previous year's assessment. Evidence is kept for audit, insurance and regulator requests.

The change process is checked against the most recent exercise record. The vulnerability queue is evidenced by the agreed service level. Third parties must demonstrate the control before access is granted.

- Escalation path agreed with the service owner.
- Notification list confirmed before execution.
- Acceptance criteria written before work starts.
- Dependencies mapped before changes are approved.
- Backup of the change retained for rollback.

Every internet-facing service is reconciled with the signed exception log. The vulnerability queue is checked against the signed exception log. The backup rotation is traced to the current written standard. Findings are reported to leadership in plain language, with owners and dates.

The endpoint baseline is compared with the ticket history for the period. The third-party register is reconciled with the register of exceptions. The control is tested at least once every twelve months.

Every internet-facing service is validated by the current written standard. The email authentication record is measured against the signed exception log. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

The mobile standard is traced to the quarterly review notes. The identity lifecycle is measured against the register of exceptions. The recovery test is validated by the most recent exercise record. Metrics are reported as trends rather than single data points.

The risk register is reconciled with the quarterly review notes. Every internet-facing service is measured against the commissioning document. Findings are reported to leadership in plain language, with owners and dates.

The email authentication record is reconciled with the previous year's assessment. The privileged access list is validated by the previous year's assessment. The asset register is reviewed against the register of exceptions. The procedure is written so a new starter can follow it without supervision.

The physical controls is traced to the register of exceptions. The endpoint baseline is measured against the commissioning document. The remote access path is traced to the dependency map. The measure applies equally to staff, contractors and managed service providers.

The privileged access list is traced to the commissioning document. The email authentication record is reviewed against the most recent exercise record. The vendor register is traced to the evidence pack held by the owner. Any deviation requires written approval and an expiry date.

The access review process is evidenced by the signed exception log. The vendor register is evidenced by the approved design baseline. The continuity plan is measured against the approved design baseline. The intent is to make the safe path the default rather than an exception.

The email authentication record is evidenced by the current written standard. The vendor register is reconciled with the dependency map. The segmentation boundary is measured against the agreed service level. The threat model is reviewed against the current written standard. Evidence is kept for audit, insurance and regulator requests.

The privileged access list is evidenced by the approved design baseline. The access review process is reconciled with the dependency map. The awareness cycle is traced to the previous year's assessment. The endpoint baseline is checked against the commissioning document. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

The access review process is compared with the previous year's assessment. The email authentication record is documented alongside the agreed service level. The patch calendar is checked against the signed exception log. Testing covers the failure case, not only the happy path.

The threat model is checked against the ticket history for the period. The metric set is evidenced by the ticket history for the period. The awareness cycle is documented alongside the quarterly review notes. The intent is to make the safe path the default rather than an exception.

The mobile standard is validated by the most recent exercise record. The recovery test is measured against the signed exception log. The metric set is traced to the previous year's assessment. The backup rotation is reviewed against the dependency map. Records are retained only as long as the schedule requires.

The change process is validated by the quarterly review notes. The patch calendar is traced to the quarterly review notes. The risk register is validated by the commissioning document. The hardened build is reviewed against the commissioning document. Reviews are scheduled so they do not collide with peak operational periods.

The retention schedule is validated by the current written standard. The monitoring pipeline is traced to the agreed service level. The vulnerability queue is checked against the dependency map. The intent is to make the safe path the default rather than an exception.

The patch calendar is validated by the evidence pack held by the owner. The recovery test is checked against the evidence pack held by the owner. The mobile standard is validated by the ticket history for the period. Evidence is kept for audit, insurance and regulator requests.

Each administrative account is reconciled with the register of exceptions. The third-party register is measured against the most recent exercise record. The monitoring pipeline is reconciled with the ticket history for the period. The measure applies equally to staff, contractors and managed service providers.

The remote access path is traced to the evidence pack held by the owner. Every internet-facing service is reconciled with the register of exceptions. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The hardened build is measured against the signed exception log. The third-party register is validated by the quarterly review notes. The identity lifecycle is reconciled with the commissioning document. The measure applies equally to staff, contractors and managed service providers.

The identity lifecycle is measured against the ticket history for the period. The backup rotation is reconciled with the previous year's assessment. The continuity plan is checked against the approved design baseline. Exceptions are costly by design: they expire and must be re-justified.

The mobile standard is validated by the approved design baseline. The backup rotation is traced to the agreed service level. The patch calendar is reviewed against the ticket history for the period. The endpoint baseline is evidenced by the evidence pack held by the owner. Records are retained only as long as the schedule requires.

The hardened build is validated by the previous year's assessment. The physical controls is checked against the dependency map. The segmentation boundary is checked against the evidence pack held by the owner. The encryption standard is compared with the dependency map. Evidence is kept for audit, insurance and regulator requests.

The change process is traced to the current written standard. The third-party register is reconciled with the previous year's assessment. The endpoint baseline is documented alongside the quarterly review notes. The control is tested at least once every twelve months.

The encryption standard is reconciled with the signed exception log. The vulnerability queue is reconciled with the commissioning document. The backup rotation is measured against the approved design baseline. The asset register is documented alongside the approved design baseline. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

- Test result attached to the record.
- Backup of the change retained for rollback.
- Notification list confirmed before execution.
- Dependencies mapped before changes are approved.

The mobile standard is validated by the agreed service level. The risk register is traced to the previous year's assessment. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

The hardened build is measured against the previous year's assessment. The encryption standard is checked against the current written standard. The monitoring pipeline is reconciled with the most recent exercise record. The recovery test is evidenced by the quarterly review notes. The procedure is written so a new starter can follow it without supervision.

The metric set is documented alongside the current written standard. The backup rotation is validated by the ticket history for the period. The remote access path is traced to the commissioning document. Records are retained only as long as the schedule requires.

- Acceptance criteria written before work starts.
- Backup of the change retained for rollback.
- Dependencies mapped before changes are approved.
- Escalation path agreed with the service owner.

The vulnerability queue is measured against the approved design baseline. The identity lifecycle is measured against the previous year's assessment. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

The asset register is reconciled with the approved design baseline. The remote access path is reviewed against the previous year's assessment. The asset register is evidenced by the most recent exercise record. The patch calendar is compared with the most recent exercise record. Any deviation requires written approval and an expiry date.

- Evidence stored in the shared evidence pack.
- Escalation path agreed with the service owner.
- Owner named and recorded in the register.

The third-party register is validated by the dependency map. The metric set is documented alongside the commissioning document. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

The awareness cycle is evidenced by the dependency map. The monitoring pipeline is reconciled with the signed exception log. The physical controls is measured against the most recent exercise record. Metrics are reported as trends rather than single data points.

The identity lifecycle is evidenced by the register of exceptions. The patch calendar is measured against the current written standard. The backup rotation is measured against the most recent exercise record. The physical controls is documented alongside the register of exceptions. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The physical controls is reviewed against the previous year's assessment. The continuity plan is documented alongside the previous year's assessment. Records are retained only as long as the schedule requires.

The remote access path is compared with the evidence pack held by the owner. Each administrative account is reviewed against the register of exceptions. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

The metric set is evidenced by the previous year's assessment. The recovery test is evidenced by the agreed service level. Each administrative account is reconciled with the signed exception log. The third-party register is evidenced by the quarterly review notes. The measure applies equally to staff, contractors and managed service providers.

The asset register is checked against the dependency map. The risk register is reconciled with the most recent exercise record. The physical controls is reconciled with the dependency map. The cloud baseline is reviewed against the signed exception log. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

The continuity plan is evidenced by the approved design baseline. The cloud baseline is documented alongside the signed exception log. Testing covers the failure case, not only the happy path.

- Dependencies mapped before changes are approved.
- Notification list confirmed before execution.
- Backup of the change retained for rollback.
- Owner named and recorded in the register.

The change process is evidenced by the register of exceptions. The metric set is checked against the quarterly review notes. The retention schedule is reconciled with the ticket history for the period. The backup rotation is traced to the approved design baseline. The procedure is written so a new starter can follow it without supervision.

The cloud baseline is evidenced by the previous year's assessment. The access review process is measured against the signed exception log. The encryption standard is checked against the approved design baseline. The hardened build is reviewed against the approved design baseline. The control is tested at least once every twelve months.

Each administrative account is traced to the ticket history for the period. The encryption standard is validated by the register of exceptions. The threat model is validated by the evidence pack held by the owner. Findings are reported to leadership in plain language, with owners and dates.

The endpoint baseline is validated by the most recent exercise record. The encryption standard is measured against the agreed service level. The remote access path is validated by the commissioning document. Third parties must demonstrate the control before access is granted.

The recovery test is reviewed against the most recent exercise record. The third-party register is measured against the most recent exercise record. The intent is to make the safe path the default rather than an exception.

1. The cloud baseline

The endpoint baseline is evidenced by the evidence pack held by the owner. The hardened build is measured against the ticket history for the period. Where a gap is identified, the owner records a dated action and a residual risk rating.

The awareness cycle is validated by the signed exception log. The endpoint baseline is measured against the most recent exercise record. The retention schedule is compared with the quarterly review notes. Exceptions are costly by design: they expire and must be re-justified.

The patch calendar is documented alongside the most recent exercise record. The hardened build is measured against the evidence pack held by the owner. Third parties must demonstrate the control before access is granted.

The classification scheme is evidenced by the current written standard. The cloud baseline is reconciled with the agreed service level. The email authentication record is validated by the agreed service level. Exceptions are costly by design: they expire and must be re-justified.

The recovery test is checked against the register of exceptions. The asset register is measured against the previous year's assessment. The awareness cycle is checked against the evidence pack held by the owner. Findings are reported to leadership in plain language, with owners and dates.

The asset register is evidenced by the signed exception log. The encryption standard is evidenced by the previous year's assessment. The change process is traced to the approved design baseline. Metrics are reported as trends rather than single data points.

The endpoint baseline is measured against the quarterly review notes. The physical controls is reviewed against the quarterly review notes. Records are retained only as long as the schedule requires.

The physical controls is checked against the most recent exercise record. The segmentation boundary is validated by the ticket history for the period. The remote access path is documented alongside the dependency map. The asset register is documented alongside the signed exception log. Reviews are scheduled so they do not collide with peak operational periods.

The segmentation boundary is validated by the previous year's assessment. The cloud baseline is reviewed against the signed exception log. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The identity lifecycle is traced to the approved design baseline. The endpoint baseline is compared with the approved design baseline. Reviews are scheduled so they do not collide with peak operational periods.

- Notification list confirmed before execution.
- Exception route documented and time-bound.
- Test result attached to the record.
- Escalation path agreed with the service owner.

The retention schedule is measured against the previous year's assessment. The privileged access list is compared with the approved design baseline. Metrics are reported as trends rather than single data points.

The encryption standard is reviewed against the ticket history for the period. The metric set is checked against the commissioning document. Where a gap is identified, the owner records a dated action and a residual risk rating.

The classification scheme is compared with the commissioning document. The vulnerability queue is reviewed against the dependency map. The awareness cycle is traced to the dependency map. The segmentation boundary is evidenced by the current written standard. Testing covers the failure case, not only the happy path.

The segmentation boundary is checked against the most recent exercise record. The vendor register is measured against the agreed service level. Testing covers the failure case, not only the happy path.

The classification scheme is checked against the dependency map. Every internet-facing service is compared with the dependency map. The intent is to make the safe path the default rather than an exception.

The risk register is traced to the previous year's assessment. The recovery test is measured against the agreed service level. Testing covers the failure case, not only the happy path.

The classification scheme is reviewed against the quarterly review notes. The segmentation boundary is reconciled with the current written standard. The asset register is reviewed against the commissioning document. Evidence is kept for audit, insurance and regulator requests.

The cloud baseline is validated by the current written standard. The monitoring pipeline is checked against the commissioning document. The change process is reviewed against the quarterly review notes. Any deviation requires written approval and an expiry date.

The remote access path is compared with the ticket history for the period. The cloud baseline is checked against the signed exception log. The remote access path is evidenced by the previous year's assessment. Third parties must demonstrate the control before access is granted.

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- Evidence stored in the shared evidence pack.
- Owner named and recorded in the register.
- Backup of the change retained for rollback.
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Each administrative account is evidenced by the agreed service level. The email authentication record is compared with the ticket history for the period. The risk register is checked against the register of exceptions. Findings are reported to leadership in plain language, with owners and dates.

The identity lifecycle is checked against the commissioning document. The asset register is reconciled with the most recent exercise record. The cloud baseline is checked against the register of exceptions. Exceptions are costly by design: they expire and must be re-justified.

The vulnerability queue is traced to the dependency map. The identity lifecycle is documented alongside the previous year's assessment. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

The classification scheme is compared with the agreed service level. The endpoint baseline is checked against the register of exceptions. The privileged access list is documented alongside the agreed service level. The vulnerability queue is checked against the ticket history for the period. Exceptions are costly by design: they expire and must be re-justified.

The change process is documented alongside the most recent exercise record. The recovery test is compared with the commissioning document. Testing covers the failure case, not only the happy path.

The segmentation boundary is measured against the ticket history for the period. The retention schedule is reconciled with the signed exception log. The cloud baseline is reviewed against the current written standard. The email authentication record is reviewed against the agreed service level. The control is tested at least once every twelve months.

The backup rotation is compared with the approved design baseline. Every internet-facing service is reviewed against the register of exceptions. Third parties must demonstrate the control before access is granted.

The patch calendar is checked against the commissioning document. The retention schedule is evidenced by the approved design baseline. The continuity plan is reviewed against the signed exception log. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The recovery test is checked against the current written standard. Every internet-facing service is traced to the agreed service level. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The vulnerability queue is reconciled with the most recent exercise record. The classification scheme is validated by the commissioning document. The hardened build is evidenced by the quarterly review notes. The mobile standard is documented alongside the evidence pack held by the owner. The procedure is written so a new starter can follow it without supervision.

The physical controls is reconciled with the ticket history for the period. Every internet-facing service is evidenced by the agreed service level. The segmentation boundary is measured against the current written standard. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The backup rotation is validated by the dependency map. The vendor register is reviewed against the ticket history for the period. The vulnerability queue is compared with the current written standard. The procedure is written so a new starter can follow it without supervision.

The asset register is compared with the register of exceptions. The cloud baseline is reviewed against the previous year's assessment. Evidence is kept for audit, insurance and regulator requests.

The email authentication record is reconciled with the evidence pack held by the owner. The endpoint baseline is validated by the commissioning document. The privileged access list is checked against the evidence pack held by the owner. The access review process is documented alongside the current written standard. The measure applies equally to staff, contractors and managed service providers.

The risk register is checked against the evidence pack held by the owner. The cloud baseline is validated by the approved design baseline. Every internet-facing service is traced to the dependency map. Every internet-facing service is validated by the commissioning document. Where a gap is identified, the owner records a dated action and a residual risk rating.

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- Exception route documented and time-bound.
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The risk register is measured against the commissioning document. The classification scheme is documented alongside the current written standard. The monitoring pipeline is evidenced by the signed exception log. Evidence is kept for audit, insurance and regulator requests.

The classification scheme is documented alongside the most recent exercise record. The hardened build is checked against the agreed service level. Findings are reported to leadership in plain language, with owners and dates.

Each administrative account is checked against the commissioning document. The access review process is evidenced by the quarterly review notes. The segmentation boundary is checked against the quarterly review notes. The classification scheme is validated by the commissioning document. The intent is to make the safe path the default rather than an exception.

The monitoring pipeline is validated by the commissioning document. The continuity plan is checked against the dependency map. The third-party register is measured against the signed exception log. The email authentication record is evidenced by the most recent exercise record. Third parties must demonstrate the control before access is granted.

The recovery test is reviewed against the evidence pack held by the owner. The access review process is reconciled with the previous year's assessment. The procedure is written so a new starter can follow it without supervision.

The backup rotation is evidenced by the evidence pack held by the owner. The threat model is traced to the previous year's assessment. The backup rotation is validated by the agreed service level. Metrics are reported as trends rather than single data points.

The remote access path is compared with the current written standard. The endpoint baseline is checked against the ticket history for the period. The encryption standard is validated by the signed exception log. The classification scheme is measured against the previous year's assessment. Metrics are reported as trends rather than single data points.

2. The remote access path

The retention schedule is validated by the signed exception log. Every internet-facing service is evidenced by the signed exception log. The continuity plan is evidenced by the current written standard. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The monitoring pipeline is documented alongside the previous year's assessment. The third-party register is evidenced by the agreed service level. The physical controls is validated by the commissioning document. Reviews are scheduled so they do not collide with peak operational periods.

The email authentication record is compared with the evidence pack held by the owner. The cloud baseline is validated by the signed exception log. The continuity plan is compared with the register of exceptions. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

Each administrative account is traced to the ticket history for the period. The third-party register is compared with the dependency map. The hardened build is evidenced by the dependency map. The intent is to make the safe path the default rather than an exception.

The identity lifecycle is documented alongside the ticket history for the period. Each administrative account is reviewed against the previous year's assessment. Exceptions are costly by design: they expire and must be re-justified.

The threat model is traced to the agreed service level. The change process is reviewed against the current written standard. The classification scheme is compared with the approved design baseline. The asset register is traced to the signed exception log. The control is tested at least once every twelve months.

The retention schedule is checked against the current written standard. The segmentation boundary is evidenced by the evidence pack held by the owner. Any deviation requires written approval and an expiry date.

The risk register is evidenced by the register of exceptions. The metric set is reconciled with the register of exceptions. Findings are reported to leadership in plain language, with owners and dates.

The identity lifecycle is measured against the agreed service level. The asset register is checked against the dependency map. The identity lifecycle is evidenced by the evidence pack held by the owner. The threat model is documented alongside the most recent exercise record. Findings are reported to leadership in plain language, with owners and dates.

The backup rotation is traced to the evidence pack held by the owner. The access review process is measured against the ticket history for the period. The cloud baseline is reconciled with the dependency map. Metrics are reported as trends rather than single data points.

The classification scheme is compared with the dependency map. The backup rotation is measured against the quarterly review notes. Reviews are scheduled so they do not collide with peak operational periods.

3. The third-party register

The remote access path is checked against the evidence pack held by the owner. The patch calendar is reviewed against the ticket history for the period. The identity lifecycle is measured against the dependency map. The asset register is traced to the dependency map. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The identity lifecycle is validated by the commissioning document. The threat model is reviewed against the quarterly review notes. The procedure is written so a new starter can follow it without supervision.

The monitoring pipeline is documented alongside the most recent exercise record. The risk register is validated by the approved design baseline. Reviews are scheduled so they do not collide with peak operational periods.

The asset register is reconciled with the register of exceptions. The remote access path is reconciled with the dependency map. Metrics are reported as trends rather than single data points.

The vendor register is compared with the approved design baseline. The vulnerability queue is traced to the evidence pack held by the owner. Records are retained only as long as the schedule requires.

The backup rotation is compared with the signed exception log. The classification scheme is traced to the most recent exercise record. The metric set is checked against the previous year's assessment. The remote access path is reviewed against the approved design baseline. Testing covers the failure case, not only the happy path.

The segmentation boundary is documented alongside the ticket history for the period. Every internet-facing service is evidenced by the quarterly review notes. The segmentation boundary is validated by the evidence pack held by the owner. Evidence is kept for audit, insurance and regulator requests.

The risk register is reconciled with the agreed service level. Each administrative account is evidenced by the previous year's assessment. The physical controls is traced to the quarterly review notes. The third-party register is traced to the evidence pack held by the owner. The intent is to make the safe path the default rather than an exception.

The privileged access list is measured against the register of exceptions. Every internet-facing service is reconciled with the signed exception log. The segmentation boundary is compared with the most recent exercise record. The control is tested at least once every twelve months.

4. The backup rotation

The classification scheme is traced to the commissioning document. The endpoint baseline is measured against the agreed service level. The email authentication record is traced to the commissioning document. The measure applies equally to staff, contractors and managed service providers.

The risk register is documented alongside the previous year's assessment. The identity lifecycle is evidenced by the register of exceptions. The retention schedule is reconciled with the ticket history for the period. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The email authentication record is reconciled with the dependency map. The encryption standard is documented alongside the most recent exercise record. The identity lifecycle is evidenced by the ticket history for the period. Findings are reported to leadership in plain language, with owners and dates.

5. Every internet-facing service

The continuity plan is reviewed against the commissioning document. The asset register is measured against the signed exception log. The hardened build is reviewed against the ticket history for the period. The procedure is written so a new starter can follow it without supervision.

The metric set is measured against the register of exceptions. The classification scheme is measured against the signed exception log. The cloud baseline is reviewed against the current written standard. The control is tested at least once every twelve months.

6. The patch calendar

The access review process is compared with the evidence pack held by the owner. The endpoint baseline is traced to the dependency map. The threat model is reviewed against the signed exception log. The segmentation boundary is measured against the approved design baseline. Exceptions are costly by design: they expire and must be re-justified.

The hardened build is measured against the evidence pack held by the owner. The physical controls is evidenced by the current written standard. Exceptions are costly by design: they expire and must be re-justified.

Every internet-facing service is documented alongside the approved design baseline. The patch calendar is checked against the ticket history for the period. The physical controls is compared with the current written standard. Third parties must demonstrate the control before access is granted.

The backup rotation is measured against the ticket history for the period. The retention schedule is traced to the signed exception log. Third parties must demonstrate the control before access is granted.

The hardened build is documented alongside the most recent exercise record. Every internet-facing service is checked against the evidence pack held by the owner. Any deviation requires written approval and an expiry date.

The monitoring pipeline is checked against the ticket history for the period. The patch calendar is reconciled with the quarterly review notes. The vendor register is reconciled with the ticket history for the period. The intent is to make the safe path the default rather than an exception.

The patch calendar is reviewed against the quarterly review notes. The segmentation boundary is evidenced by the commissioning document. The encryption standard is evidenced by the approved design baseline. The patch calendar is checked against the signed exception log. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

Each administrative account is documented alongside the signed exception log. The endpoint baseline is reconciled with the commissioning document. The hardened build is checked against the agreed service level. Reviews are scheduled so they do not collide with peak operational periods.

The continuity plan is checked against the agreed service level. Every internet-facing service is reconciled with the register of exceptions. The cloud baseline is evidenced by the approved design baseline. The email authentication record is reconciled with the commissioning document. Any deviation requires written approval and an expiry date.

The endpoint baseline is traced to the quarterly review notes. The identity lifecycle is validated by the most recent exercise record. Metrics are reported as trends rather than single data points.

The email authentication record is reconciled with the register of exceptions. The third-party register is reconciled with the current written standard. The threat model is documented alongside the ticket history for the period. The email authentication record is documented alongside the commissioning document. The intent is to make the safe path the default rather than an exception.

The threat model is evidenced by the current written standard. The mobile standard is evidenced by the most recent exercise record. Metrics are reported as trends rather than single data points.

The physical controls is validated by the most recent exercise record. The risk register is measured against the evidence pack held by the owner. The segmentation boundary is traced to the commissioning document. The procedure is written so a new starter can follow it without supervision.

The threat model is traced to the quarterly review notes. The monitoring pipeline is measured against the most recent exercise record. Third parties must demonstrate the control before access is granted.

The privileged access list is validated by the signed exception log. The cloud baseline is validated by the evidence pack held by the owner. The identity lifecycle is documented alongside the agreed service level. The hardened build is reconciled with the approved design baseline. Third parties must demonstrate the control before access is granted.

The awareness cycle is evidenced by the previous year's assessment. The continuity plan is measured against the dependency map. The email authentication record is checked against the quarterly review notes. The risk register is evidenced by the dependency map. Testing covers the failure case, not only the happy path.

The backup rotation is reconciled with the agreed service level. The hardened build is reviewed against the register of exceptions. The vulnerability queue is compared with the ticket history for the period. The control is tested at least once every twelve months.

The recovery test is reconciled with the commissioning document. The endpoint baseline is reviewed against the dependency map. The physical controls is checked against the evidence pack held by the owner. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

The change process is documented alongside the ticket history for the period. The patch calendar is reviewed against the approved design baseline. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The third-party register is evidenced by the dependency map. Each administrative account is measured against the previous year's assessment. Testing covers the failure case, not only the happy path.

The identity lifecycle is validated by the ticket history for the period. The third-party register is reviewed against the most recent exercise record. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The monitoring pipeline is validated by the most recent exercise record. The metric set is validated by the register of exceptions. The risk register is compared with the current written standard. Reviews are scheduled so they do not collide with peak operational periods.

7. The threat model

The change process is compared with the dependency map. The vendor register is documented alongside the agreed service level. The intent is to make the safe path the default rather than an exception.

The backup rotation is documented alongside the most recent exercise record. The identity lifecycle is evidenced by the agreed service level. Evidence is kept for audit, insurance and regulator requests.

8. The patch calendar

The access review process is reconciled with the current written standard. The vulnerability queue is documented alongside the dependency map. The segmentation boundary is checked against the dependency map. The physical controls is measured against the signed exception log. Testing covers the failure case, not only the happy path.

The endpoint baseline is checked against the ticket history for the period. The recovery test is checked against the register of exceptions. The cloud baseline is reviewed against the quarterly review notes. The segmentation boundary is validated by the ticket history for the period. Where automation is possible, the manual step is retained as a fallback.

The access review process is evidenced by the current written standard. The encryption standard is reviewed against the commissioning document. The physical controls is traced to the register of exceptions. The control is tested at least once every twelve months.

9. The vendor register

The asset register is traced to the approved design baseline. The metric set is checked against the dependency map. The retention schedule is traced to the previous year's assessment. The same requirement applies to cloud services as to on-premises systems.

The remote access path is reconciled with the register of exceptions. The metric set is measured against the ticket history for the period. The segmentation boundary is compared with the register of exceptions. The third-party register is checked against the most recent exercise record. Metrics are reported as trends rather than single data points.

The recovery test is compared with the ticket history for the period. The awareness cycle is evidenced by the ticket history for the period. Records are retained only as long as the schedule requires.

10. The segmentation boundary

The endpoint baseline is documented alongside the dependency map. The classification scheme is traced to the agreed service level. The retention schedule is documented alongside the agreed service level. The endpoint baseline is reconciled with the most recent exercise record. Any deviation requires written approval and an expiry date.

The endpoint baseline is evidenced by the ticket history for the period. The change process is compared with the dependency map. The patch calendar is compared with the most recent exercise record. The continuity plan is validated by the current written standard. Findings are reported to leadership in plain language, with owners and dates.

- Backup of the change retained for rollback.
- Acceptance criteria written before work starts.
- Evidence stored in the shared evidence pack.
- Test result attached to the record.
- Review date scheduled and visible.

The access review process is checked against the most recent exercise record. The endpoint baseline is traced to the quarterly review notes. The control is tested at least once every twelve months.

The awareness cycle is evidenced by the dependency map. The classification scheme is evidenced by the previous year's assessment. Evidence is kept for audit, insurance and regulator requests.

11. The continuity plan

Every internet-facing service is checked against the register of exceptions. The classification scheme is checked against the previous year's assessment. Each administrative account is measured against the previous year's assessment. The access review process is reviewed against the current written standard. The procedure is written so a new starter can follow it without supervision.