

SECURITY RATING SCORE

DCSA SRS “Gold Standard” Criteria

Refer to the Security Rating Score (SRS) Criteria Reference Card for definitions and supporting guidance on how to achieve each criterion within the four categories.

NISPOM EFFECTIVENESS

- (NE-1) Facility promptly informed DCSA of any security violations and also mitigated any known vulnerabilities and administrative findings in a timely manner.
- (NE-2) Appointed security personnel performed their duties and responsibilities to the fullest extent outlined in the NISPOM.
- (NE-3) Facility maintained documented security procedures outlining all applicable requirements to the NISPOM for their operations and involvement with classified information and implemented those procedures to protect classified information.
- (NE-4) Facility completed compliant and effective self-inspections that addressed issues or concerns in a timely manner.
- (NE-5) Facility implemented a continuous monitoring program that facilitated ongoing awareness of threats, vulnerabilities, and changes in classified operations to support organizational risk management decisions.

MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

- (MS-1) Management included the security staff in business decisions that impact the security program and promptly notified the security staff of changed conditions impacting the facility clearance.
- (MS-2) Management provided the security staff with sufficient personnel and resources to oversee the security program and ensure prompt support and successful execution of a compliant security program.
- (MS-3) Management was aware of the facility’s classified operations and remained informed of any identified issues or concerns and supported implementation of measures to mitigate known issues.
- (MS-4) Management was aware of approach vectors applicable to the facility and supported implementation of measures to counter potential threats.
- (MS-5) Management made decisions using threat information while considering potential impacts caused by a loss of classified information, contract deliverables, and technology.





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SECURITY AWARENESS

- (SA-1) Contractor implemented a culture of security within the organization.
- (SA-2) Contractor personnel understood the security processes and documented security procedures relevant to their position.
- (SA-3) Contractor personnel understood what required protection related to classified contracts, security classification guidance, and approach vectors applicable for their position.
- (SA-4) Contractor personnel protected classified information in accordance with documented security procedures, NISPOM standards, and contractual requirements.
- (SA-5) Contractor personnel understood reporting requirements and reported relevant events.

SECURITY COMMUNITY

- (SC-1) Contractor cooperated with government entities during official visits and security investigations.
- (SC-2) Contractor reported events to DCSA and OGAs in accordance with NISPOM and contractual requirements and supported the interest of national security by sharing relevant threat information with the security community.
- (SC-3) Contractor coordinated with relevant stakeholders to obtain accurate and sufficient security classification guidance.
- (SC-4) Contractor provided support to the security community that positively impacted the national industrial security program.
- (SC-5) Contractor participated in security community events, conferences, or webinars that positively impacted their security program.

Visit the DCSA website or scan the QR code to obtain a copy of the DCSA SRS Criteria Reference Card and other important security review and rating material.

DCSA Security Review and Rating page:

<https://www.dcsa.mil/Industrial-Security/National-Industrial-Security-Program-Oversight/Security-Review-Rating-Process/>

