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National Information Security Compliance Framework (NISCF) Accreditation and Certification

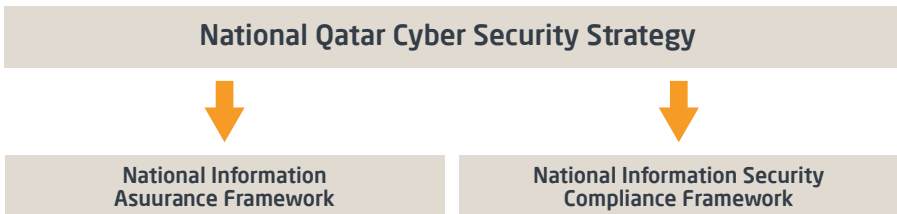


National Information Security Compliance Framework

In support of the State of Qatar's efforts to address current and emerging threats and risks, the State of Qatar's National Cyber Security Strategy set the objective to establish a legal and regulatory framework to enable a safe and vibrant cyberspace.

The Ministry of Transport & Communications (MOTC) developed two national frameworks in this regard: The National Information Security Compliance Framework (NISCF) and the National Information Assurance Framework (NIAF).

The National Information Security Compliance Framework (NISCF) was created to validate and assure security that is driven and guided by the National Information Assurance Framework (NIAF).



Compliance and Data Protection Department

Based on Emiri Decree No. 16 of 2014 and Cabinet – decision No. 26 of 2018, Compliance and Data Protection (CDP) department is the entity responsible for issuing certificates for technology and information security service providers and certificates of compliance with national information security standards and policies. CDP is also considered the competent department to implement the Personal Data Privacy Protection Law including the development of policies, controls and follow-up in the State of Qatar.

Certification Program

The National Information Security Compliance Framework (NISCF) Certification Program provides a mechanism for organizations to evidence compliance to the State of Qatar's information security policies, standards and manuals. The NISCF is being developed to offer a large variety of certification related to national and international policies and standards for organizations and technology vetting.

Certification Benefits

- Ensures adequacy of cyber resilience
- Improves information security posture for stakeholders' benefit
- Ensures compliance with the National Information Assurance Framework (NIAF)
- Builds public confidence in using technology

Certification Journey



A. Application and Scope Validation



B. Select Auditor and Audit



C. Report Review and Certification

NISCF Certification Services

National Information Assurance (NIA) Certification

The NIA Certification for organizations' Information Security Management Systems is granted upon demonstrating compliance against NIA Policy and NIA Manual requirements.

All organizations that have information infrastructure that is critical to the State of Qatar are required to obtain certification of compliance.



E-Service (SSQA) Certification

The SSQA Certification is granted upon demonstrating E-Service compliance against Software Security and Quality Assurance (SSQA) standards requirements.

All Agencies providing an E-Service are required to obtain E-Service (SSQA) Certification, which has three levels of certification:



Accreditation Program

The National Information Security Compliance Framework (NISCFC) Accreditation Program is a cornerstone in improving cyberspace by securing the information security services supply chain and enhancing the quality of cybersecurity services in the State of Qatar.

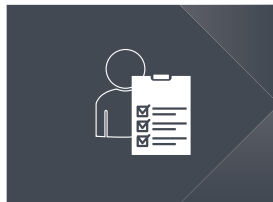
Accreditation Benefits

- Opens a new market to Accredited Service Providers
- Provides Accredited Service Providers additional marketing opportunities
- Supports Service Providers with establishing confidence and preferred supplier status
- Provides higher exposure by being listed on the CDP website

Accreditation Journey



A. Application



B. Review and Decision



C. Accreditation

NISCF Accreditation Services

Advisory Accreditation

This Accreditation Certificate is for Service Providers who provide information security consultancy and implementation to the Public and Private Sector.

Advisory Accreditation seal helps its holders to build trust with their customers and provides organizations with assurance concerning their record of accomplishment or experience as a trusted advisor.



Audit Accreditation

This Accreditation Certificate is for Service Providers who provide audit services related to State of Qatar's information security standards.

Accreditation is mandatory to all Service Providers seeking to deliver their services in NISCF's certification audit engagements.



The NISCF Accreditation Program, to govern a large variety of services related to information security, will be expanded in the future to include:

- Penetration Testing Accreditation
- Cloud Services Accreditation, and others.

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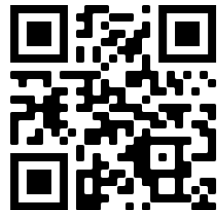
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The background features a dark blue gradient. In the lower right, there is a complex, golden-colored network structure of interconnected nodes and lines, resembling a globe or a data network. This network is overlaid with several smooth, wavy golden lines that sweep across the frame from the bottom left towards the top right. The overall aesthetic is modern and technological.

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