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Security Solutions for Payment Card Industry (PCI) Compliance Help Secure Your Cardholder Data



Theft of cardholder data is a major threat that carries potentially enormous liability—both from fines charged by payment card companies rather than credit card associations and from loss of public confidence in your organization.

Organizations that store, transmit, and/or process cardholder data must meet minimum standards of security. If you are a service provider or a merchant, you need to protect your critical digital data now.

Who Must Comply?

Any organization that processes, stores, or transmits credit card data must comply with the PCI Data Security Standard. PCI has grouped companies by their types as well as how many transactions they process. Using these groupings, the PCI has assigned levels, from largest (Level 1) to smallest (Level 4). Merchants are companies that conduct business, either online or in traditional "brick and mortar" fashion. Service providers are companies that facilitate transactions on behalf of merchants and acquiring banks. Based on their level, a company must perform a series of tasks to substantiate its compliance with the PCI. The following table summarizes these tasks.

Potential Benefits

- · Trusted Advisor
- Breadth and depth of experience across industries
- Comprehensive solutions
- Increase visibility into critical risks
- Provide actionable recommendations for enterprise security

Features

- Annual PCI Assessments
- PCI Program Management
- PCI Education and Training

PCI Data Security Standards

Regardless of transaction volume and the steps required to demonstrate compliance, all companies must adhere to the PCI Data Security Standards. The table below summarizes key provisions of these standards.

LevelBlue Consulting offers a range of comprehensive, customized PCI compliance solutions to provide a holistic solution for your company. We provide assessments (PCI) and remediation consulting, program development, penetration testing and code review services that help companies address specific areas of PCI compliance and security best practices.

Key Offerings

PCI DATA SECURITY STANDARDS

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

CATEGORY / LEVEL	MEETS PCI DSS	ANNUAL ASSESSMENT	ANNUAL SELF-ASSESSMENT	SEMI-ANNUAL PENETRATION TEST	QUARTERLY SCANNING
Service Provider Level 1	*	*		*	*
Service Provider Level 2	*		+	*	*
Merchant Level 1	*	*	*	*	*
Merchant Level 2	*		**	*	*
Merchant Level 3	*		*	*	*
Merchant Level 4	*		*	*	*

^{*} At the discretion of the card brands

Our Methodology

LevelBlue Consulting takes a collaborative Trusted Advisor approach with your company. LevelBlue works closely with you to gain a strong understanding of your business model, cardholder data flows, cardholder data repositories, network architecture and systems that support your business. This allows us to perform a thorough assessment while we are on

site, and more importantly, puts us in a position to provide strategic and tactical advice in the event that a PCI objective/control is not met. We provide tactical advice, making recommendations to assist you in addressing gaps and we provide strategic advice to assist your company in performing root cause analyses of the cause of any PCI-related gaps as well as areas of security Best Practices.

^{**} Either perform Annual Assessment or have qualified internal resource perform self-assessment

⁺ Must go through Annual Assessment to be listed on Visa's site of compliant Service Providers and registered with the card brands.

Annual PCI Assessments

As a PCI Qualified Security Assessor (QSA), LevelBlue Consulting performs PCI assessments, PCI readiness assessments and PCI Health Checks for numerous clients (merchants and Service Providers) on an annual basis. The on-site assessments consist of interviews of key personnel, examination of policies, procedures and other key documents, architecture review and review of key device configurations. The result of this effort is a Report on Compliance and

(if applicable) a PCI Attestation of Compliance document, which articulates the company's adherence to the PCI Data Security Standard. We perform PCI readiness assessments to create Remediation Roadmaps to assist you in fast-tracking your compliance efforts. In addition, LevelBlue Consulting performs periodic PCI Health Checks to help ensure that you are addressing controls which have a history of slipping through the cracks.

PCI Data Security Standards

PCI HEALTH CHECKS

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

Build and Maintain a Secure Network	 Install and maintain a firewall configuration to protect cardholder data Do not use vendor-supplied defaults for system passwords and other security parameters 		
Protect Cardholder Data	Protect stored cardholder data Encrypt transmission of cardholder data across open, public networks		
Maintain a Vulnerability Management Program	5. Use and regularly update anti-virus6. Develop and maintain secure systems and applications		
Implement Strong Access Control Measures	 7. Restrict access to cardholder data by business need-to-know 8. Assign a unique ID to each person with computer access 9. Restrict physical access to cardholder data 		
Regularly Monitor and Test Networks	10. Track and monitor all access to network resources and cardholder data 11. Regularly test security systems and processes		
Maintain an Information Security Policy	12. Maintain a policy that addresses information security		

PCI Program Management

Addressing the PCI efforts across an organization can be challenging, requiring specialized knowledge and project coordination experience. LevelBlue Consulting has both the project and program management experience to help manage your security governance program (including PCI).

LevelBlue PCI-Related Services

LevelBlue Consulting offers several managed **security services** as well as additional security consulting services to help you meet the requirements of the PCI Data Security Standard. These services include

vulnerability scanning, penetration testing (network and application), incident response workshops, secure coding training, forensic review and cardholder data flows and discovery of card holder data within the network. LevelBlue's suite of compliance and compliant services help reduce the cost and complexity of meeting the PCI Data Security Standard.

LevelBlue Solutions: Expertise from a Trusted Provider

LevelBlue provides a unique and world-class portfolio of compliance and related security services. Our experience, expertise and commitment to open standards have established us as a strategic and trusted advisor with our customers. By leveraging LevelBlue, you can expect best-in-breed solutions, a global network of proven technology, and a cost-effective program-based approach to meet your security and compliance needs.



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About LevelBlue

We simplify cybersecurity through award-winning managed security services, experienced strategic consulting, threat intelligence and renowned research. Our team is a seamless extension of yours, providing transparency and visibility into security posture and continuously working to strengthen it.

We harness security data from numerous sources and enrich it with artificial intelligence to deliver real-time threat intelligence. This enables more accurate and precise decision making. With a large, always-on global presence, LevelBlue sets the standard for cybersecurity today and tomorrow. We easily and effectively manage risk, so you can focus on your business.

Cybersecurity. Simplified.

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