



Australian Industry Handling of UK OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE Information



It is now easier for Australian defence industry companies to handle UK OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE information

What has changed?

Accredited Defence Industry Security Program (DISP) companies may now process and store UK OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE information on their company ICT systems and networks, provided they have been accredited and meet the DISP entry-level ICT standards outlined in blue.

Aside from UK OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE information, the existing advice for processing and storing all other classified information provided by the UK remains the same.

DISP members must also comply with the security conditions for classified contracts outlined in the Security of Information Arrangement between Australia and the UK.

Please be aware the UK Ministry of Defence may choose to impose additional measures to protect information under contracts with DISP members, through documents such as Security Aspects letters.

For further information, please visit the [DISP Security Portal](#).

Encryption standard to transfer data between systems.

Defence and the UK Ministry of Defence strongly encourage DISP members to enable opportunistic TLS 1.2 encryption between systems, when transmitting UK OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE information.

As a DISP member your ICT networks need to meet one of the below standards. For further information see the [Cyber Standards Factsheet](#)

Cyber security for Defence suppliers
(Def Stan 05-138).

NIST SP 800-171 Rev.1 Protecting Controlled Unclassified Information in Nonfederal Systems and Organizations (US ITAR requirement).

The following requirements of the ASD Essential 8: application whitelisting, patch applications, restrict administrative privileges, patch operating systems.

OFFICIAL/DLM network in accordance with the ISM/DSPF – ISO/IEC 27001/2:2013 Information security management.

For further information

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