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## SECURE DEVELOPMENT POLICY

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How to integrate ISO 27001 A.14 controls into the system/software development life cycle (SDLC)  
<https://advisera.com/27001academy/blog/2017/01/24/how-to-integrate-iso-27001-a-14-controls-into-the-system-software-development-life-cycle-sdlc/>

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### 1. Purpose, scope and users

The purpose of this document is to define basic rules for secure development of software and systems.

This document is applied to development and maintenance of all services, architecture, software and systems that are part of the Information Security Management System (ISMS).

Users of this document are all employees who work on development and maintenance in [organization name].

### 2. Reference documents

- ISO/IEC 27001 standard, clauses A.14.1.2, A.14.1.3, A.14.2.1, A.14.2.2, A.14.2.4, A.14.2.5, A.14.2.6, A.14.2.7, A.14.2.8, A.14.2.9, A.14.3.1
- Risk Assessment and Risk Treatment Methodology
- Supplier Security Policy
- [Change Management Policy]/[Security Procedures for IT Department]
- Training and Awareness Plan

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### 3. Secure development and maintenance

#### 3.1. Risk assessment for the development process

In addition to the risk assessment performed according to the Risk Assessment and Risk Treatment

Methodology, the risk assessment for the development process shall consider the following:

- the risks related to unauthorized access to the development environment
- the risks related to the use of insecure components
- the risks related to the use of insecure libraries
- the risks related to the use of insecure frameworks

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#### 3.2. Securing the development environment

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environment shall be controlled; describe here how access to the development environment shall be controlled; describe here how access to the development environment shall be controlled.]

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#### 3.3. Secure engineering principles

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standards which must be complied with.

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Learn more here: What are secure engineering principles in ISO 27001:2013 control A.14.2.5? <http://advisera.com/27001academy/blog/2015/08/31/what-are-secure-engineering-principles-in-iso-270012013-control-a-14-2-5/>

The same secure engineering principles will be applied to outsourced development, and defined

### 3.4. Security requirements

### 3.5. Security requirements related to public networks

[Job title] is responsible for defining security controls related to information in application services passing over public networks:

- The description of authentication methods used
- The description of how confidentiality and integrity of information is maintained
- The description of how the reputation of critical data is maintained

[Job title] is responsible for defining controls for online transactions, which must include the following:

- The recording of the payment
- The recording of the receipt of the payment
- The recording of the payment details of the payment
- The recording of the payment history of the payment
- how unauthorized data disclosure will be prevented

### 3.6. Checking and testing the implementation of security requirements

and whether the system is acceptable for production.

### 3.7. Repository

### 3.8. Version control

### 3.9. Change control

### 3.10. Protection of test data

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How to set security requirements and test systems according to ISO 27001 <https://advisera.com/27001academy/blog/2016/01/11/how-to-set-security-requirements-and-test-systems-according-to-iso-27001/>

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How to manage changes in an ISMS according to ISO 27001 A.12.1.2 <https://advisera.com/27001academy/blog/2015/09/14/how-to-manage-changes-in-an-isms-according-to-iso-27001-a-12-1-2/>

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Confidential data, as well as data that can be related to individual persons must not be used as test

### 3.11. Required security training

Awareness Plan.

## 4. Managing records kept on the basis of this document

Record name	Storage location	Person responsible for storage	Controls for record protection	Retention time
[List of risks related to development process]	[job title]'s computer	[job title]	[only [job title] can access those files]	3 years for lists that are no longer valid
[Procedures for secure information system engineering]	[organization's intranet]	[job title]	[only [job title] can publish and edit those files]	3 years for procedures that are no longer valid
[Testing plans]	[organization's intranet]	[job title]	[only [job title] can publish and edit those files]	3 years for tests that have been performed

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## 5. Validity and document management

This document is valid as of [date].

The owner of this document is [job title], who must check and, if necessary, update the document at least once a year.

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## 6. Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Specification of Information System Requirements

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