



# DFARS Assessments

Complying With DFARS 252.204-7012

## DFARS 252.204-7012

The Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) contains a new clause, “Safeguarding Covered Defense Information and Cyber Incident Reporting” (Section [252.204-7012](#)), which requires all DoD prime contractors and subcontractors to implement “adequate security” based on a set of security controls referenced in [NIST SP 800-171](#), and to conduct cyber incident analysis and reporting. The wording of the clause is sufficiently broad as to require compliance by virtually any company doing business with the DoD, across any industry (whether technical or non-technical) no later than **31 December 2017**.

## Addressing Requirements

In order to achieve the standard of adequate security, contractors are obligated to implement “protective measures that are commensurate with the consequences and probability of loss, misuse, or unauthorized access to, or modification of information.” The seventy-nine (79) security controls identified in NIST SP 800-171 map back to a down-selected set of controls defined in [NIST SP 800-53 Rev.4](#), which is used by the government to ensure security posture of both classified and unclassified systems, as required by the Federal Information Security Modernization Act (FISMA).

## Achieving Compliance

Auditors understandably prefer assessment results produced by someone *other* than the system owners and implementers. Let Aerstone help your organization achieve compliance with this new mandatory regulation prior to the December 2017 deadline.

For more information, visit <https://aerstone.com/our-services/assessment/dfars-assessments>.

Download Aerstone’s free [whitepaper](#) on simple steps to efficiently address DFARS requirements.

## Our Experience Sets Us Apart

Aerstone approaches each engagement with a combination of professionalism, determination, and creativity honed by years of working with security professionals throughout the military, civil government, and commercial sectors. More than a cybersecurity services vendor, Aerstone develops enduring relationships with clients and helps build long-term value through process improvement.

Contact our sales team at [dfars@aerstone.com](mailto:dfars@aerstone.com) for more information.