

EU CRA readiness checklist

The EU law that sets cybersecurity rules for hardware and software products sold in the EU, from design through security updates.

What EU CRA asks

- ☐ Secure by design: Products ship free of known exploitable vulnerabilities, with secure defaults, access control, encryption and a small attack surface.
- ☐ Vulnerability handling: Find, document, fix and disclose vulnerabilities, with a software bill of materials and a disclosure policy.
- ☐ Reporting: Early warning in 24 hours, a fuller notice in 72 hours and a final report through the EU single reporting platform.
- ☐ Documentation and conformity: Technical documentation, a chosen conformity assessment, an EU declaration of conformity and the CE marking.
- ☐ Supply chain and operators: Due diligence on third-party components, plus duties for importers, distributors and open-source stewards.
- ☐ Support and user information: A stated support period, a contact point and clear instructions for secure use and updates.

Getting started

- ☐ Check scope and your role: Work out whether your product is a product with digital elements and whether you are a manufacturer, importer, distributor or open-source steward.
- ☐ Classify the product: Check whether it falls in the important (class I or II) or critical lists, which decides the conformity route.
- ☐ Assess risk and map Annex I: Document a cybersecurity risk assessment and map each Annex I requirement to your design and tests.
- ☐ Set support and vulnerability processes: Fix a support period, a disclosure policy, an update process and a 24 hour and 72 hour reporting route.
- ☐ Assess conformity and mark: Complete the conformity procedure, prepare technical documentation, sign the declaration and affix CE marking.

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