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PCI DSS v4.0.1



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FEATURED NEWS

PCI DSS v4.0.1

The PCI SSC has [published](#) a limited revision to the PCI Data Security Standard (DSS) v4.0 to help address stakeholder feedback and questions received since its release in March 2022. PCI DSS v4.0.1 includes corrections to formatting and typographical errors as well as clarifies the focus and intent of some of the requirements and guidance (refer to the [Summary of Changes](#) from PCI DSS v4.0 to v4.0.1). Because this was a limited revision to the standard, there were no new or deleted

requirements. In addition, the PCI DSS v4.0.1 Report on Compliance (ROC) Template and Attestations of Compliance (AOC), along with the Self-Assessment Questionnaires (SAQs) and AOCs have also been published and can be found in the PCI SSC [Document Library](#).

Transition to PCI DSS v4.0.1

PCI DSS v4.0 will be retired on 31 December 2024. After that point, [PCI DSS v4.0.1](#) will be the only active version of the standard supported by PCI SSC. Mastercard will continue to accept v4.0 validations until 31 March 2025 provided a merchant or service provider's PCI DSS assessment for compliance validation is completed by the 31 December retirement date. For more information on preparing for version 4.0.1 compliance, visit the [Resource Hub](#).

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Revised SDP Standards

In May, Mastercard [announced](#) several changes to its standards for the [Site Data Protection \(SDP\) Program](#) to support the latest PCI DSS v4.x updates announced by the PCI SSC, add flexibility for customers and their merchants, clarify existing SDP Program requirements, and align with security validation requirements in the industry. These [changes](#) included expanding the qualification criteria for the PCI DSS Validation Exemption Program and no longer requiring PCI DSS validation to Mastercard for an acquirer's Level 3 merchants.

Validation Exemption Program Criteria

To recognize the benefits of merchant adoption of secure payment technologies, Mastercard has expanded the Validation Exemption Program's [qualification criteria](#) to allow merchants using [PCI-listed](#) mobile

point-of-sale (MPOS) EMV acceptance solutions to participate in the program. Eligible merchants implementing an MPOS EMV solution that is compliant with the PCI Mobile Payments on Commercial Off-the-Shelf (COTS) ([MPoC](#)), PCI Software-based PIN Entry on COTS ([SPoC](#)), or PCI Contactless Payments on COTS ([CPoC](#)) Standards may be exempt from annually validating its compliance with the PCI DSS.

L3 Merchant Risk Mgmt. Program

An acquirer must now certify to Mastercard that it has a [risk management program](#) in place to identify and manage payment security risk within their Level 3 merchant portfolio. This new requirement replaces individual Level 3 merchant reporting on the [SDP Acquirer Submission and Compliance Status Form](#). Level 3 merchants must still comply with the PCI DSS on an annual basis by completing an SAQ, however, validation of compliance to Mastercard is not required.

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PCI 360 RESOURCES

[Site Data Protection Program FAQs](#)



Download this Mastercard [PCI 360](#) resource which highlights commonly asked questions about SDP Standards including information on [merchant](#) and [service provider](#) PCI DSS compliance reporting requirements & acceptable forms of validation.

[PCI DSS Validation Exemption Program](#)



Review this updated paper to understand how eligible merchants using approved EMV technology or a PCI-listed solution can begin to participate in Mastercard's Exemption Program, which eliminates the requirement to annually validate PCI DSS compliance.

[Overview of a Level 3 Merchant RMP](#)



Read this latest guidance resource intended to assist acquirers with successfully implementing a Level 3 merchant risk management program that meets SDP Program requirements including validating that all merchant URLs have been provided to Mastercard for cyber risk analysis.



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Asia-Pacific Community Meeting

Don't miss the opportunity to attend the last PCI SSC Community Meeting of the year. The [Asia-Pacific Community Meeting](#) will be held on 20-21 November in Hanoi, Vietnam where attendees can learn about the latest developments in global payment

security. Join the Council for engaging sessions that explore the evolving landscape of payment security standards across all facets of the ecosystem and participate in discussions that walk through how key new requirements that were introduced in [version 4.0](#) of the PCI DSS will help strengthen an organization's security posture. View the full agenda [here](#) and [register](#) today.

Instructor-led Training Opportunities

The PCI SSC operates a variety of [programs](#) to train, test, and qualify organizations and individuals who [assess](#) and validate compliance to help merchants successfully implement PCI standards and solutions. For those interested in taking a remaining instructor-led training course with the experts from PCI SSC and earn Continuing Professional Education (CPE) [credits](#), check out the schedule of [upcoming training opportunities](#) to register or send an email to training@pcisecuritystandards.org.



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