

FSD SERVICES MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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Wrapping up 2024 with a solid security posture - End-of-year security checklists

The last few weeks of 2024 are upon us, and this means completing your final security checklists to prepare for wrapping up the year and heading into 2025 with a solid security posture. Among other items, here are some things to focus on to close out the year:

- Conduct a self-assessment if you haven't already done so. Be sure to submit your certifying letter to NISS showing that you have met the annual requirement.
- Review all personnel clearances - remove any who don't need access, submit applications for any who are due, and be sure all paperwork is up to date for each employee.
- Brief your executive and senior management on the threats faced and how you plan to address training in 2025 to mitigate risks.



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STAYING UP TO DATE WITH NISPOM REQUIREMENTS

It's a good idea to review various sections of the NISPOM regularly to ensure you meet all requirements for your facility clearance. If you possess a facility clearance, be sure to review any open POAM items for your IS that need to be closed.

December is a great time to pull out the NISPOM and be sure you are up to date on anything needed to be sure your security program is stellar.

TIPS ON HOW BEST TO PREPARE FOR SECURITY AUDITING

The best way to prepare for security assessments/audits is to put yourself in the shoes of an auditor and dig into each part of your security processes and documentation. When you do this, be sure to talk with several senior managers, familiarize yourself with all classified programs that are under your purview, and interview cleared employees to test their understanding of their responsibilities to protect our country's security. Ask the tough questions and let the gaps you find help you plan your training roadmap for 2025. Doing this regularly helps you tighten up your security protocols and education plans.





I/ITSEC 2024 - CONSIDERING THE INDUSTRIAL SECURITY IMPACT

Close to 20,000 people came together to attend the annual I/ITSEC conference, which showcased the latest technological advancements and industry trends shaping the future of training and simulation. Key themes included AI and machine learning, Extended Reality (XR) technologies, and topics around cybersecurity and data privacy, to name a few. We're sure there

will continue to be many challenges around securing AI and protecting data. With these advancements, it's imperative to consider the impact of industrial security. Get in touch to discuss your facility security needs.

