



Glossary of Definitions for the FCC Group Information Security Regulatory Framework

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DEFINITION

Access Control List (ACL)

List of entities, together with their access rights, that are authorized to access a resource.

Audit Trail

Historical data and information that are available for examination in order to demonstrate the correctness and integrity with which the established security procedures have been followed.

Authorization

Permission expressly granted to an FCC staff member so that they may access certain information assets to which they would not otherwise have access based on their “need to know” in the performance of their duties

Classification Proposal

Document submitted to the authority empowered to classify, proposing the assignment of a classification level to individual pieces of information or sets of information, as well as its validity period, in accordance with the reclassification procedure that governs temporal changes to the assigned level

Contracting Manager

FCC functional unit that decides which external company will be contracted for the supply of goods or the provision of services and, where applicable, any associated services

Demilitarized Zone (DMZ)

Term commonly used to designate a network area where perimeter security measures are less strict. Devices accessible from the Internet are typically placed in this zone to avoid the need for external access to the private network

Electronic Signature

A set of data in electronic form, entered together with or associated with other data, which can be used as a means of personal identification

Environment

Context of the development, operation, and maintenance of an information system

Evidence

Information that, by itself or combined with other information, is used to prove something

Facilities

Any information processing system, service, or infrastructure, as well as the physical location that houses them

FCC Equipment

Any service that participates in the processing of FCC Group information

FCC Information

Information officially generated by internal personnel or collaborators, as well as any information specifically deposited in FCC companies for its processing

FCC Nonrestricted Information

Information that includes FCC Information classified as Public Use

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<i>FCC Personnel</i>	Refers to all individuals who, regardless of the type of professional relationship they maintain with the companies that make up the FCC Group or with external companies providing services to them, participate directly or indirectly in achieving FCC's business objectives
<i>FCC Restricted Information</i>	Information that includes FCC Information classified as Secret, Confidential or Internal Use
<i>Information</i>	Name given to an organized set of data that constitutes a message that changes the state of knowledge of the subject or system receiving that message
<i>Information Classification Guide</i>	Document that gathers the relevant data about the information and serves as a reference for the marking of documents
<i>Information Management</i>	The coordinated activities and governance framework used to direct, control, and oversee information throughout its lifecycle, including policies, responsibilities, processes, controls, and continual improvement.
<i>Information Manager</i>	FCC functional unit responsible for ensuring that the information it handles, and for which it is accountable, is properly classified and protected based on FCC's established criteria
<i>Information Owner</i>	The person responsible for ensuring that their information is adequately protected
<i>Information Processing</i>	The set of operational activities performed on information, including creating, collecting, organizing, storing, transforming, transmitting, distributing, modifying or deleting it.
<i>Information Risk</i>	Probability or potential that a vulnerability may be exploited by a threat, compromising confidentiality, integrity, authenticity, traceability, and/or availability
<i>Information Security Incident</i>	Event that is not part of the standard operation of a service and has adverse consequences on the security of information systems
<i>Information Security Information System</i>	Set of reports, regardless of their level of formalization, that enable the management of Information Security at the different organizational levels of FCC
<i>Information and Telecommunications System</i>	Set of equipment, methods, procedures, and personnel organized in such a way as to allow information to be handled
<i>Integrity</i>	Basic security requirement ensuring that information cannot be, or has not been, modified or altered by unauthorized persons, entities, or processes
<i>Internet Service Provider (ISP)</i>	Partner company that provides organizations with Internet access and related services

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<i>Intrusion Detection System (IDS)</i>	System, process, or active device that analyzes system and network activity for unauthorized entries and/or malicious activities, with the purpose of detecting security violations
<i>Label</i>	Mark or identifier that enables the identification of information and the classification level of a document
<i>Malware or Malicious Software</i>	Any program, document, or message capable of causing damage and/or harm to information and users
<i>Maintenance</i>	Set of periodic tasks necessary to ensure the proper functioning of computer equipment
<i>Need to Know</i>	Positive determination confirming that a potential recipient requires access to certain information to perform services, tasks, or duties
<i>Network</i>	Communications system composed of a set of transmission and switching devices with the purpose of sharing resources
<i>Node</i>	Any device connected to a communications network
<i>Outsourcing</i>	Contracting a service offered by third parties to carry out activities of the company itself
<i>Personal Security Clearance</i>	Certification establishing that the person holding it can be trusted with classified information at a given level and is trained in information security matters
<i>Proof</i>	Reason, argument, instrument, or other means used to demonstrate and make evident the truth or falsity of something
<i>Proxy</i>	Communications server that channels traffic between a private network and the Internet and contains a physical level firewall
<i>Reclassification</i>	Assignment of a new classification level to previously classified information
<i>Residual Risk</i>	The level of risk remaining for an information security asset after FCC has taken the necessary management actions or applied controls to reduce the asset's exposure to risk
<i>Risk Management</i>	Identifying, analysing, and assessing the risks associated with different processes and/or assets, as well as reducing and containing them within the threshold defined by Senior Management
<i>Security Organization</i>	Structure created within the FCC Group to ensure that decisions and actions regarding information security are carried out and that all necessary stakeholders are kept informed
<i>Spyware</i>	Malicious code designed to collect information from the systems where it resides and send it over the Internet for commercial or fraudulent purposes

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User Personnel authorized by the Information Manager to access information and comply with the safeguards defined by that manager

VPN, Virtual Private Network Technology commonly used to deploy a secure private scope network over an insecure public scope network

Vulnerability Weakness, attribute, or loss of control that would allow or facilitate the materialization of a threat