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IT Security Standard 141.10 (5.8)
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MOBILE DEVICE SECURITY STANDARD

See Also:

RCW [43.105.054](#) WaTech Governance

RCW [43.105.052](#) Powers and duties of agency—Application to higher education, legislature, and judiciary.

RCW [43.105.020](#) (22) "State agency"

RCW [43.105.450](#) Office of Cybersecurity

[USER-03 Mobile Device Usage Policy](#)

[SEC-04-07-S Non-Agency Device Security Standard](#)

[SEC-04-02-S Media Sanitization and Disposal Standard](#)

NIST [Mobile Device Security](#)

NIST [SP 800-124 Rev. 2](#), Guidelines for Managing the Security of Mobile Devices

Limited English Proficiency (LEP) [Mobile Device Policy](#) (Example)

Purdue University [Mobile Devices Security Best Practices](#).

IRS [10.8.26 Wireless & Mobile Device Security Policy](#)

1. Agencies must select appropriate controls and communicate them through their [mobile device](#) policies and procedures.

- a. Agencies must encrypt category 3 data or above (See the [SEC-08-01-S Data Classification Standard](#)) on mobile devices per the [SEC-08-02-S Encryption Standard](#).
- b. Agencies must implement controls to prevent the auto-launching of non-agency approved applications at the device's start-up. Agencies must perform and document a business criticality assessment and a risk assessment for any auto launch application.
- c. Agencies must train users on security measures the user is expected to take to protect the mobile device and the public records stored there from theft, loss, or unauthorized disclosure.
- d. Agencies must implement authentication requirements:
 - i. Require device authentication mechanism to access the device, such as a PIN, password, or biometric.
 - ii. Require application or network access via [Multi-factor Authentication \(MFA\)](#) according to the [SEC-06-01-S Identification and Authentication Security Standard](#).

- iii. For devices not assigned to a specific user where a PIN and MFA is not feasible, agencies must document mitigating controls.
2. **Agencies must ensure that all mobile solutions used for state business are equipped with up-to-date, currently patched WaTech approved [Mobile Device Management \(MDM\)](#) or [Enterprise Mobility Management \(EMM\)](#) software.**
 - a. Synchronization is controlled by the agency MDM or EMM.
 - b. Agencies must restrict app store downloads for devices used for agency business.
3. **Mobile operating systems and applications must be currently supported by the vendor and the agency must ensure they are kept up to date. See the [SEC-04-03-S Configuration Management Standard](#).**
4. **Agencies must regularly monitor and maintain mobile device security. This may include but is not limited to:**
 - a. Conducting and documenting threat analysis for mobile devices.
 - b. Employing enterprise threat defense, mobile application vetting, and other enterprise mobile security technologies.

REFERENCES

1. [Definitions of Terms Used in WaTech Policies and Reports](#).
2. [SEC-08-01-S Data Classification Standard](#).
3. [SEC-08-02-S Encryption Standard](#).
4. [SEC-06-01-S Identification and Authentication Security Standard](#).
5. [SEC-04-03-S Configuration Management Standard](#).
6. [Secretary of State Agencies Records Retention Schedules](#).
7. NIST Cybersecurity Framework Mapping:
 - PROTECT.AWARENESS TRAINING-1: All users are informed and trained.
 - PROTECT.ACCESS CONTROL-3: Remote access is managed.
 - PROTECT.DATA SECURITY-2: Data-in-Transit is protected.
 - PROTECT.PROTECTIVE TECHNOLOGY-2: Removeable media is protected, and its use restricted according to policy.
 - DETECT.SECURITY CONTINUOUS MONITORING-5: Unauthorized mobile code is detected.

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