

Risk-based approach: SWIFT CSA



As a member of the community of SWIFT users, each year you're required to reconfirm – within the scope of Swift's Customer Security Programme (CSP) – that you meet the mandatory requirements of the Customer Security Controls Framework. We'll support you in doing this while drawing on our deep IT and payment experience as an independent external assessor.

Gain greater confidence with an independent audit

As a SWIFT participant, you're obliged to meet the requirements of the current CSCF (Customer Security Controls Framework) and have this confirmed by an independent audit. The attestation period for the yearly SWIFT CSA (Community Standard Assessment) begins on July 1.

We'll help you smoothly complete this process with a positive result. Our experienced ISO 27001-certified assessors will work with you to identify the required checkpoints and define the scope of your evaluation.

Our SWIFT CSA is geared to the three core goals of the SWIFT standard

To ensure a uniform standard of security across the SWIFT network, three overarching goals spanning a total of seven categories were defined:

Secure your environment

To prevent entry by unauthorized persons, the network environment must be physically and logically protected. This involves:

- Restricting Internet access and protecting critical systems from the general IT environment
- Reducing attack surfaces and security vulnerabilities
- Physically securing the environment



Benefits at a glance

- Multiple years' experience in SWIFT CSA auditing in compliance with ISO/IEC 27001
- Sound cross-industry expertise on finance and cybersecurity
- Extensive experience helping financial institutions in particular to meet regulatory requirements in the areas of IT and operational security

Know and limit access

All physical and logical access points must be known to and monitored by participants. The total number of access points also has to be limited. The established core elements of authorization management include, for example, separation of tasks and the application of a need-to-know principle.

- Preventing login information from being compromised
- Managing identities and separating rights

Detect and respond

Systems have to be protected from cyberthreats by:

- Detecting irregular activities in systems and/or in connection with transaction datasets
- Having a plan for responding to incidents and relaying information

Benefit from our holistic approach

Thanks to our comprehensive expertise across governance, risk and compliance and our deep understanding of functional processes and IT environments, we can give you end-to-end advice that's precisely tailored to your requirements.

To ensure that the Community Standard Assessment generates value above and beyond auditing, we also support you in complying with regulatory and legal requirements.

In addition, we'll be happy to work with you to meet all other regulatory requirements and develop sustainable, strategic solutions – among other things, for your business model, for your compliance activities and for modernizing your IT systems.

We'll help you appropriately adjust your internal structures and analyze the needs of the relevant stakeholders in order to take them into account while designing the solution.

We'll apply our change management system to help you make all necessary changes and ensure that these transformations are lastingly anchored in your enterprise.

Would you like to learn more about our compliance expertise and experience as an independent external assessor?

Just reach out – we'll get back to you right away!

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