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What is IEC? (1)

Leading global organization that prepares and publishes standards for:

Electrical and electronic products

Related technologies

Electricity, electronics, magnetics, electro-magnetics, electro-acoustics, multimedia, telecommunication, energy production and distribution, electromagnetic compatibility, measurement and performance, dependability, safety, environmental aspects

Membership is by National Committees



What is IEC? (2)

Organized in Technical Committees (TC) and Subcommittees (SC)

- 104 TC
- 99 SC

TC45 for Nuclear instrumentation

- SC45A for instrumentation, control and electrical systems of nuclear facilities
- SC45B for radiation protection instrumentation



What is IEC SC45A? (1)

SC 45A: Instrumentation and Control of Nuclear Facilities

- WG 2 Sensors and measurement techniques
- WG 3 ICS: architecture and system specific aspects
- WG 5 Special process measurement and radiation monitoring
- WG 7 Functional and safety fundamentals of instrumentation, control and electrical power systems
- WG 8 Control rooms
- WG 9 System performance and robustness toward external stress
- WG 10 Ageing management of instrumentation, control and electrical power systems in NPP

WG 11 Electrical power systems: architecture and system specific aspects



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Standardization Context (1)

- IEC 61513 Ed 2.0 2011 Nuclear Power Plants I&C for Systems Important to Safety – General Requirements for Systems (Similar to IEEE-603-1998)
- IEC 60880 Ed 2.0 (2006) Nuclear Power Plants I&C Systems Important to Safety Software Aspects for Computer-Based systems performing Category A Functions (Similar to IEEE 7- 4.3.2-2003)



Standard Hierarchy



IEC 62645 – Scope

- Cybersecurity requirements and guidance for development and management of effective computer-based I&C systems, possibly integrating HPD with HDL (Hardware Description Language)
- limited only to I&C programmable digital systems systems
- inherent to these requirements and guidance the power plant's security programme should comply with the applicable country's I&C CB&HPD security requirements.
- Human errors, natural events are excluded



IEC 62645 – Second Edition

- adapt the 2013 editions structure and high-level principles of ISO/IEC 27001 and ISO/IEC 27002.
- consistency with IAEA principles and concepts (NSS17)
- consistency with IEC 62443 series, when relevant
- consistency and articulation with IEC 61513
- coordination with IEC 62138, IEC 60880, and all SC45A standards mentioning computer security
- Rearrangement of the structure to take into account the future second level documents



IEC 62645 – Modification 2nd Ed.

- concept of security degrees and their associated criteria:
 - possibility of further security degrees for non-I&C systems (NSS17).
- Confidentiality issues should be addressed
- Consideration of (smart) electrical systems
- Specific guidance, on legacy systems
- Guidance, recommendations or requirements about cybersecurity audits and risk assessment
- High-level security requirements and/or recommendations to wireless technologies.



IEC 62645 – Timeline





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IEC 62859 – Overview

- Title: Requirements for coordinating cybersecurity and safety
- Scope:







IEC 63096 – Scope

- Security controls for I&C and electrical systems in NPPs
 - Security controls catalogue based on ISO/ IEC 27002
 → Definition of highly recommended and optional security controls
 → Depending on grading (security degree)
 - Details on the process of applying security controls in line with the IEC 62645 requirements
 - To prevent, detect and correct cyber security attacks
- For ...
 - new NPPs
 - modernization of I&C in existing NPPs
- Crediting/ inheritance of existing programs
- Legacy I&C systems

What is a Security Control?

- Explanation of the term security control
 - Security controls are measures/ countermeasures/ provisions to avoid, detect, counteract, or minimize cybersecurity risks
- Classification of security controls according to point of time they act
 - **Before the event: Preventive** security controls are intended to prevent an incident from occurring (e.g. by requiring an authentication during login, firewalls)
 - **During the event: Detective** security controls are intended to identify an incident (e.g. sending an alarm if somebody has pulled a network cable);
 - After the event: Corrective security controls are intended to limit the extent of any damage caused by the incident (e.g. by restoring an attacked component, analyzing security event logs in order to analyze what has happened)
- Classification of security controls according to their <u>nature</u>
 - **Technical** security controls (e.g. Integrity monitoring, firewalls, data diode)
 - **Physical** security controls (e.g. locked cabinet doors, locked electronic rooms)
 - Administrative controls (e.g. incident response processes, security awareness training)



IEC 63096 consistent with IEC 62645

Graded Approach (Security Degrees)

- Security degree S1, highest level, safety class 1 I&C programmable digital systems
- S2 as minimum for safety class 2 I&C programmable digital systems
- S3 as minimum for safety class 3 I&C programmable digital systems
- Baseline requirement

Security degree also dependent on the consequences on the plant when the I&C is attacked

Process of applying security controls

- Is in line with IEC 62645, Ed. 2, CDV
- Process has been detailed together with the IEC 62645 Project Lead

IEC 63096 details the security controls topic that is described in IEC 62645 on a high level



Connection to IEC 62645 and ISO/IEC 27002



IEC 63096 structure (1)

 Scope References Terms and definitions & Abbreviations 	Standard IEC structure
 4 Nuclear I&C specific Security Controls 4.1 Audience 4.2 Source for definition of nuclear I&C specific security controls 	AudienceSource for security controls
4.3 Security controls catalogue	Structure for security controls description
 4.4 Process of selecting security controls 4.4.1 Process of selecting and implementing security controls for the actual I&C platform and I&C system 4.4.2 Process of selecting and implementing security controls for D- activity → I&C Platform Development 4.4.3 Process of selecting and implementing security controls for E- activity → I&C system engineering 4.4.4 Process of selecting and implementing security controls for O- activity → Operation and Maintenance of I&C system 	 Process of applying security controls (consistent with IEC 62645, Ed 2) Crediting/ inheritance of existing programs Legacy topics



Generic Part

IEC 63096 structure (2)

 5 Information security policies 6 Organization of information security 7 Human resource security 8 Asset management 9 Access control 10 Cryptography 11 Physical and environmental security 12 Operations security 13 Communications security 14 System acquisition, development and maintenance 15 Supplier relationships 16 Information security incident management 17 Information security aspects of business continuity management 18 Compliance 		 Description of security controls: Headings and numbering identical with ISO/IEC 27002 A variety of 27002 security controls have been modified or extended Additional security controls have been added, e. g.: Security controls for the I&C platform or I&C system (typically technical and physical security controls) Extensions and modifications compared to IEC 27002 are marked in <i>ITALIC</i> letters
 18 Compliance 19 NUC - Cybersecurity and architecture 20 NUC - Virtualization environment and infrastructure controls 	$\left \right\rangle$	to IEC 27002 are marked in <i>ITALIC</i> letters Additional nuclear I&C specific security control clauses

The security controls catalogue ...

- represents the statement of applicability (SOA) for the nuclear I&C domain.
- contains technical, physical and administrative security controls.



Security Controls Catalogue

Structure of each security control (1)

• Control

This subclause contains a short description of the specific security control. If there is no modification the original ISO/ IEC 27002 text has been taken over.

Preservation of

Description of the objective of the security control in terms of Confidentiality, Integrity and Availability (CIA):

- C → Confidentiality
- I \rightarrow Integrity
- A → Availability

Control focus

This subclause contains the description of the focus of the security control in terms of prevention, detection and correction

- p \rightarrow Prevention
- d \rightarrow Detection
- c \rightarrow Correction



Structure of each security control (2)

Implementation guidance (1)

- The implementation guidance is described in a standardized table format.
- The implementation guidance depends on the security degree (as defined in IEC 62645) that is assigned to the individual I&C system.
- If no security degree is assigned the implementation guidance of the security baseline "Baseline Requirement" applies.
- For the security baseline and the security degrees following column headings are defined:
 - BR → Baseline Requirement
 - S3 → Security degree 3
 - S2 → Security degree 2
 - S1 → Security degree 1



Structure of each security control (3)

Implementation guidance (2)

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• The applicability of the implementation guidance also depends on one or several of the following activities, shown by the following activity letters in columns BR, S3, S2, S1:





Security controls description Security Controls example for <u>I&C platform or system</u>



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new security control

Letters are *italic* →

Simplified process overview for applying security controls (x) from slide 18

1) Security degree assignment for each I&C (sub-) system according to IEC 62645

2 Identification of highly recommended security controls acc. IEC 63096 security controls catalogue based on I&C (sub-) system's security degree and the activity (DEO)

3 Based on the security architecture and its security zoning (see IEC 62645):

 \rightarrow Application of selected security controls

4 Threat and Risk Analysis: In case of unacceptable residual security risks → Additional compensatory security controls for risk mitigation necessary

Periodical reassessment of Threat and Risk Analysis, also event driven in case of new threats or new assets



Security controls overview list in IEC 63096, Annex A Using the XLSX or CSV file, the table can be extended project specifically

Clause	Security Control Name			Security Controls by Security Degrees					Preservation	Control	ISO/IEC	
									of	Focus	27002	
-			-	BR 💌	S3 🔻	S2 -	S1 _		•	-	-	
5	Cybersecurity policies											
5.1	Management direction for cybersecurity	1									n	
5.1.1	Policies for cybersecurity								CIA	р	n	
5.1.1	(A) At the highest level, organizations should define an "cybersecurity			DEO	DEO	D	DEO		CIA	р	m	
5.1.1	(B) The set of policies for cybersecurity during development, should			(D)	D		D		CIA	р	m	
5.1.1	(C) The set of policies for cybersecurity during engineering, should			E	E	E	E		CIA	р	а	
5.1.1	(D) The set of policies for cybersecurity of	during operation, should		EicO		EicO	EicO		CIA	р	а	
5.1.2	Review of the policies for cybersecurity		Cilto	ring ov	ailahla				CIA	С	n	
5.1.2	(A) According to 5.1.1 each policy should	d have an owner	гше	ring av	ailable		DEO		CIA	с	m	
6	Organization of cybersecurity		Ī									
6.1	Internal organization										n	
6.1.1	Cybersecurity roles and responsibiliti	Annow A clear included as offer how ont									n	
6.1.1.1	a) The assets and cybersecurity proce	Annex A also included as attachment	S						IA	р	n	
6.1.1.1	(A) Responsibilities for the protection	to the IEC 63096- PDF file in two		DEO	DEO	DEO	DEO			n	m	
6.1.1.1	(B) Responsibilities for cybersecurity			DEO	DEO	DEO	DEO	و م م ام ا	fiestien	of		
6.1.1.1	(C) An I&C system security programm different machine readable formats			EO	EO	EO	EO	ident	dentification of secu			
6.1.1.1	(D) Computer security programmes should be implemented through the use			EO	EO	EO	EO	controls for the I&C				
6.1.1.2	NUC - Responsible entities and authoriza	C - Responsible entities and authorization levels for each asset or cybersecurity process										
	documented							platte	orm or I8	C Syst	em	
6.1.1.2	(A) All organizations involved in any phase	se of the I&C		DEO	DEO	DEO	DEO 🖣	1	CIA	Ч	a	
6.1.1.2	(B) I&C system security oversight should	be assigned to a		DEO	DEO	DEO	DEO		CIA	р	а	
6.1.1.2	(C) Security responsibilities should be ad	dressed prior to employment in	1	DEO	DEO	DEO	DEO		CIA	р	а	
6.1.1.2	(D) Employees, contractors and authoriz	ted third parties should sign agreements XLSX CSV		DEO	DEO	DEO	DEO		CIA	р	а	
6.1.1.3	a) To be able to fulfil responsibilities in t	he cybersecurity area, the appointed ind ALSA co	ea						CIA	р		
	and be given opportunities to keep up to	o date with developments										



IEC 63096 - timeline



Completion of IEC 63096 FDIS planned for end of 2020



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