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CYBER AB AUTHORIZED C3PAO

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT CMMC

CMMC IS DESIGNED TO

- Safeguard sensitive information to enable and protect the warfighter
- Dynamically enhance DIB cybersecurity to meet evolving threats
- Ensure accountability while minimizing barriers to compliance with DoD requirements
- Contribute towards instilling a collaborative culture of cybersecurity and cyber resilience
- Maintain public trust through high professional and ethical standards

ALL DoD Contractors and Subcontractors must comply with CMMC to achieve these goals

EDWARDS & CMMC

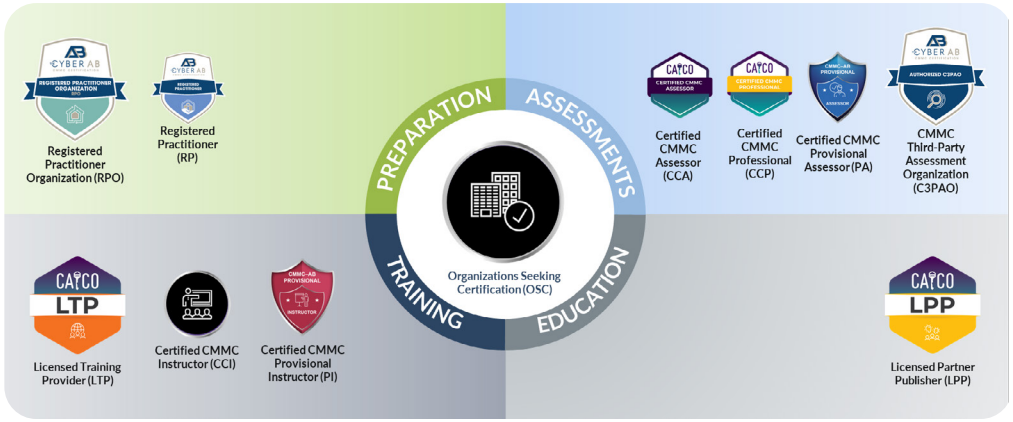
We partner with organizations to provide the knowledge and expertise needed to prepare for and comply with CMMC; **WE DO NOT COMPETE WITH CONSULTANTS, IMPLEMENTERS, OR MSPs**. We develop goal-oriented, impactful plans of action to both meet the requirements of CMMC and support your desired business outcomes.

Edwards plays a role in nearly every aspect of the CMMC ecosystem — training, education, consulting, and assessments.

Currently, we support Organizations Seeking Certification (OSC) as a Registered Practitioner Organization (RPO) and Authorized CMMC Third-Party Assessment Organization (C3PAO), providing CMMC preparation/gap assessments, consulting, and remediation support.

As a Licensed Partner Publisher (LPP) Edwards developed the curriculum to train the assessment community as a Licensed Training Provider (LTP) our consultants are also conducting the training classes.

ORGANIZATIONS



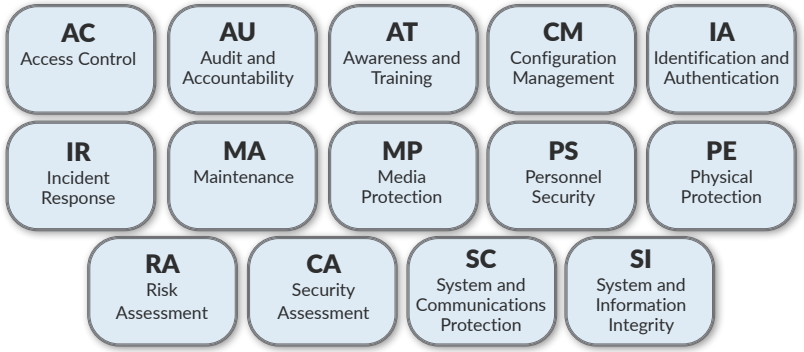
CMMC MODEL

The level of certification an organization requires is largely dependent on the type of information they handle and the work they may be bidding.

Level 3 Expert	**110+** requirements based on NIST SP 800-171 & 800-172	**Triennial government-led assessment & annual affirmation**
Level 2 Advanced	**110** requirements aligned with NIST SP 800-171	**Triennial third-party assessment & annual affirmation; annual self-assessment & annual affirmation for select programs**
Level 1 Foundational	**15** requirements	**Annual self-assessment & annual affirmation**

CMMC DOMAINS

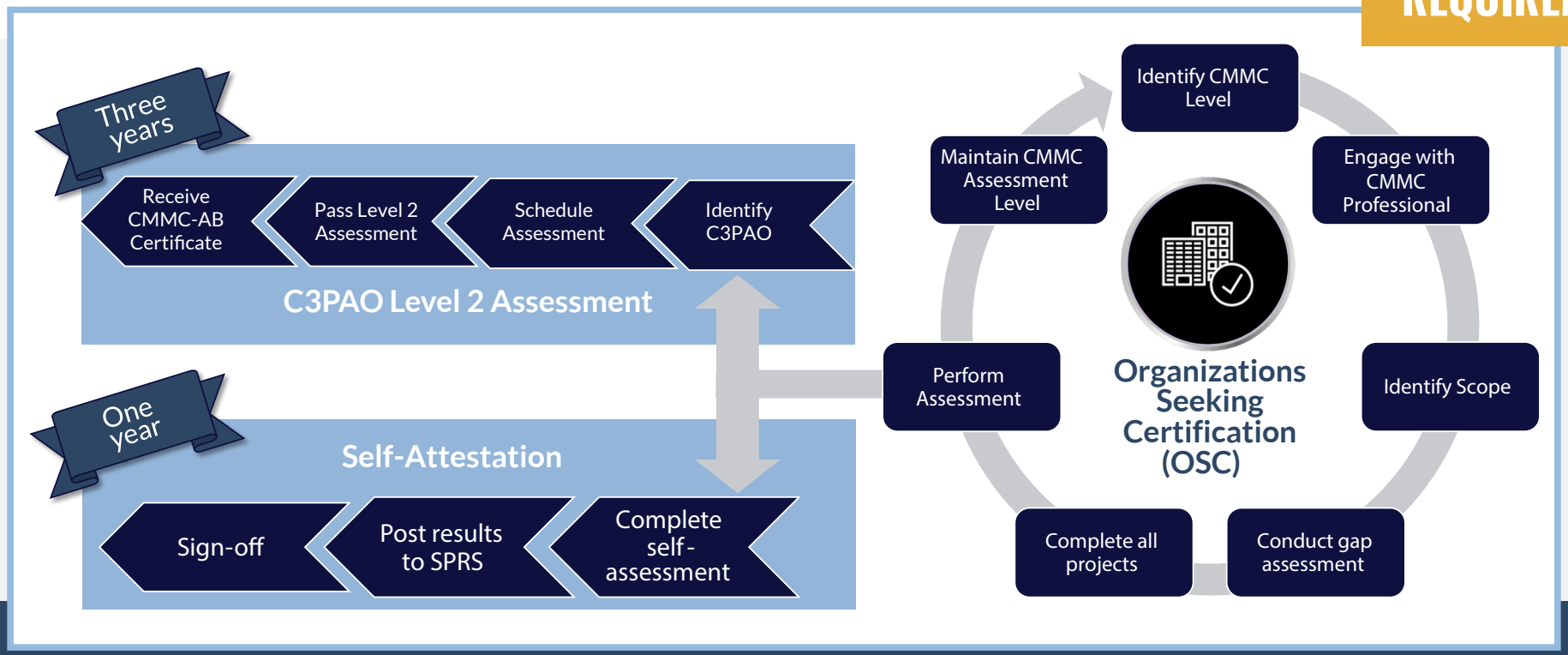
The CMMC model framework organizes processes and cybersecurity best practices into a set of 14 domains. These domains are broken down into capabilities, and further broken down into practices.



DOMAIN	LEVEL 1 PRACTICES	LEVEL 2 PRACTICES	GRAND TOTAL
Access Control	4	18	22
Audit & Accountability		9	9
Awareness & Training		3	3
Configuration Management		9	9
Identification & Authentication	2	9	11
Incident Response		3	3
Maintenance		6	6
Media Protection	1	8	9
Personnel Security		2	2
Physical Protection	4	2	6
Risk Assessment		3	3
Security Assessment		4	4
System & Communications Protection	2	14	16
System & Information Integrity	4	3	7
ALL DOMAINS	**17**	**93**	**110**

CMMC CONFORMITY LIFECYCLE

REQUIREMENTS



1. **Identify the desired CMMC Level –** This may be driven by existing contracts, the desire to bid on contracts requiring a particular level of compliance, or the type of information the OSC possesses/develops.

2. **Engage with The Cyber AB trained professionals for guidance –** This may be a Certified CMMC Professional (CCP), C3PAO, or trained individual/ team within the OSC. The key is that they should be trained to understand what the assessors will be looking for.

3. **Identify the assessment scope –** Identify the flow of CUI and FCI; determine the in and out of scope systems, and their related protections.

4. **Conduct a gap assessment –** Complete all projects associated with any identified gaps.

5. **Perform the assessment**
   - Self-Attestation: complete the self-assessment and posting the results in the SPRS system, signed off by a company official.
   - C3PAO Level 2 assessment:
     - Identify a C3PAO in the CMMC Marketplace
     - Schedule an assessment with the C3PAO (cannot be individuals or a C3PAO who may have helped with the OSC preparations)
     - Pass the Level 2 assessment
     - Receive The Cyber AB Certificate; valid for three years

6. **Maintaining the approved CMMC Assessment level status for all components of the assessment status and re-assessing**
   - One year (if self-assessment)
   - Three years (if Level 2 formal assessment)

SENSITIVE INFORMATION CLASSIFICATION

Within the CMMC Model, there are three classifications for sensitive information. These classifications inform what maturity levels are necessary when achieving CMMC certification.

FCI

FEDERAL CONTRACT INFORMATION

is not intended for public release, provided by, or generated for the Government under a contract to develop or deliver a product or service to the government.

CUI

CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION

is information that requires safeguarding or dissemination controls pursuant to and consistent with applicable law, regulations, and government-wide policies.

CTI

CONTROLLED TECHNICAL INFORMATION

means technical information with military or space application that is subject to controls on the access, use, reproduction, modification, performance, display, release, or disclosure.

CLASSIFIED INFORMATION IS OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF CMMC

"I enjoyed piecing together all the resources available to assist the community in understanding CMMC. The commentary and context from all the instructors was amazing compared to just reading the slides."

TRAVIS BRITTAIN | Director Product Enablement
Blackpoint (Cybersecurity Vendor)

I really enjoyed the flow of the class - it was great to hear the background of CMMC and then move into the meat of actual assessment content. Going through the framework and hearing the thoughts of the presenters on each was very helpful and informative.

JESSIE SANDELL | CISA, IT Audit & Advisory Manager
Frazier Deeter (CMMC-AB RPO, SOC2 Specialists)

It was very useful to have the different objectives explained in detail as part of the process. Hugely valuable source of reference material and insight to the process and how the DOD approaches compliance. Not having a huge Government background, this was very helpful for me as a security specialist from the private sector.

DAVID GROOT | President, Windstar Technologies
(MSP, CMMC-AB RP)

The instructors and participants shared a lot of real-world experience throughout the course, which was extremely valuable. The sharing of links and other sources of information by instructors and participants was also very valuable.

RUTH BARRA | CISA, QSA, CISSP, CDPSE
Senior Consultant, Cybersecurity
Sikich LLP (CMMC-AB C3PAO Candidate)"

DIVING IN: GAP ASSESSMENTS

Gap assessments identify vulnerabilities in your cybersecurity program, comparing the organization's security practices against a set of security standards or regulations, like NIST, HIPAA, ISO, or CMMC, to determine areas where improvements are needed.

WHY DO I NEED A GAP ASSESSMENT?

Conducting a gap assessment is an essential step in achieving compliance with industry regulations and improving the overall security posture of your organization.

Non-compliance may result in penalties or lost business opportunities, so it's important to stay ahead of the game.

Assessment reports provide a:

- Detailed analysis of your gaps
- Prioritized remediation efforts
- Plan of Action and Milestones (POA&Ms) based on your business objectives, allowing you to improve your organization's security posture over time

THE EDWARDS DIFFERENCE

We pride ourselves on non-biased consulting; we are product agnostic. Our experienced assessors navigate the practices/objectives associated with industry standards, bringing you the expertise needed to achieve compliance.

- Documentation and Governance support
- Compliance support for multiple frameworks
- Data Flow Diagramming
- Trace Matrix development and support
- SSP development and support
- Penetration Testing and Vulnerability Scanning
- vCISO services

EDWARDS ASSESSMENTS

Simple Approach; Comprehensive Results. Our targeted yet simple approach delivers big results that respect your budget and timeline – all while keeping key stakeholders informed.

PRE-ASSESSMENT SUPPORT
Edwards conducts tailored interviews to learn about your entire ecosystem and target our engagement to your business needs.

DATA FLOW DIAGRAMMING
We identify and document the flow of FCI and CUI throughout your organization and between you and your external partners – providing the foundation for scoping your CMMC environment.

SCOPING
We work with you to determine if the assessment scope is enterprise, department, enclave, or service and identify the boundary of the assessment based on CUI/FCI locations and data flow.

FULL-SCALE GAP ASSESSMENT
We review your systems, assess your processes, identify gaps, and ensure existing practices are fully implemented.

REMEDIATION PLANNING & ROADMAPPING
We provide an actionable compliance roadmap to address remediation items, as well as outline business risk, priorities, and investments that result from identified gaps.

REMEDIATION SUPPORT
We provide project and technical support to remediate your POA&Ms – helping your teams, practices, and processes become CMMC compliant.

EDWARDS CMMC TRAINING: CCP & CCA

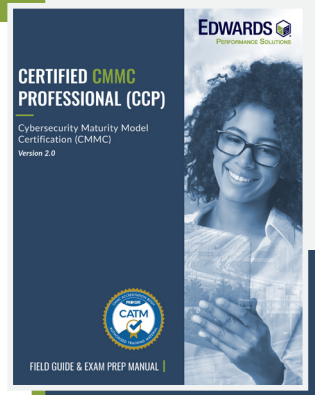
Edwards offers CMMC-AB approved (CATM) classes and materials designed, built, and delivered by leading experts in the field.

Becoming a Certified CMMC Professional (CCP) offers immense value, providing a comprehensive CMMC foundation for CMMC implementers, consultants, or members of the assessment team.

Our Certified CMMC Assessor (CCA) course continues your education, allowing you to play a critical role in compliance, including conducting assessments or assessment preparation.

CCP SYLLABUS

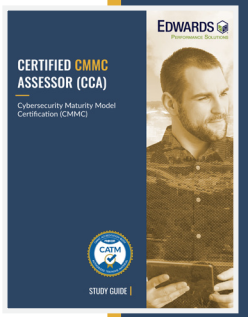
1. CMMC Ecosystem
2. The Cyber AB Code of Professional Conduct (Ethics)
3. CMMC Governance and Source Documents
4. CMMC Model Construct and Implementation Evaluation (110 controls)
5. CMMC Assessment Process (CAP)
6. Scoping through Level 2



CCA COURSE TAKEAWAYS

Building on the CCP syllabus, our CCA course provides The Cyber AB assessor perspective.

- ✓ Learn to score assessment objectives
- ✓ Explore multiple environments varying in size, locations, and on-prem vs. hybrid systems



EDWARDS SUPPORTS YOUR CMMC JOURNEY

PREPARATION – Edwards is a Registered Provider Organization (RPO), but more importantly we also employ CMMC Provisional Assessors (PAs). In fact, many of our consultants teach the CCP and Certified CMMC Assessor (CCA) classes and developed the curriculum to do so.

ASSESSMENTS – Edwards is a Authorized Certified Third-Party Assessment Organization (C3PAO) with multiple Provisional Assessors on staff. We are ready to support your or your clients' formal assessment process.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION – OSCs and the ecosystem of businesses/individuals supporting them need to know they are preparing the OSC for success – we train your team, consultants, supporting organizations (e.g., MSPs), and of course the assessors themselves.

We designed our curriculum to prepare individuals to do the job an OSC expects when they hire a CMMC Professional. As a Licensed Partner Publisher (LPP), Edwards develops curriculum to train the assessment community and as a Licensed Training Provider (LTP), we also facilitate training classes with a dynamic team of Provisional Instructors (PIs), with real-world experience.

WHO WE ARE

EDWARDS PERFORMANCE SOLUTIONS

Founded in 1997, Edwards is an innovative and respected leader in Enterprise Management, IT Solutions, Training & Development, and Cybersecurity consulting and services – ensuring operational excellence for both commercial and government entities.

We believe solutions based on proven process and procedures result in higher quality deliverables. Edwards is appraised at CMMI Level 3 for Services (CMMI SVC) and ISO 9001:2015 certified, as well as a long-time Microsoft® Silver Partner and Enterprise Solutions Provider for Microsoft® Project Professional and Project Server.

In addition to our CMMC accreditations, we are also an Authorized Training Partner (ATP) through the Project Management Institute (PMI®), with team members holding multiple PMI certifications (e.g., PMP, PMI-ACP, PMI-RMP).

These certifications indicate well-defined processes, the infrastructure to improve service delivery, and ensure a consistent level of quality on our team.

Our expansive CMMC services tap into Edwards lengthy consulting and program management history, more than two decades of successful training and facilitation, and a diverse range of cybersecurity expertise in assessing and interpreting standards – providing you top notch training and assessment preparation.

The evolving marketplace demands innovation to grow. Our dynamic approach, coupled with the real-world experience of our team, provides you the best solutions available.

We are committed to your success, providing solutions focused on people, processes, technology, and outcomes.

WE TAKE YOUR SECURITY SERIOUSLY; AND, HELP SMART PEOPLE DO BIG THINGS.

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