



Standards as Policy Standard

Introduction

Pursuant to 62 O.S. § 34.11.1, the CIO has authority to establish, maintain and enforce information technology and telecommunication standards.

Purpose

This document establishes documentation to support compliance with audit requirements referencing policies as CIO authority to implement standards in lieu of policies.

Standard

All Oklahoma Information Technology and Information Security policies are incorporated in Oklahoma state IT and telecommunications standards. Individual policies are represented within specific standards. These standards meet the policy requirements for all regulatory and industry audits.

Compliance

This standard shall take effect upon publication and is made pursuant to Title 51 O.S. §§ 151-172. OMES may amend and publish the amended standards policies and standards at any time. Compliance is expected with all published policies and standards, and any published amendments thereof. Employees found in violation of this standard may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

Rationale

To coordinate and require central approval of state agency information technology purchases and projects to enable the chief information officer to assess the needs and capabilities of state agencies as well as streamline and consolidate systems to ensure that the state delivers essential public services to its citizens in the most efficient manner at the lowest possible cost to taxpayers.

References

- [Oklahoma State Finance Act](#).
- [Policy, Standards & Publications](#).

Revision history

This standard is subject to periodic review to ensure relevancy.

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