

Encryption Policy

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide the information security requirements at **Fitchburg State University (FSU)** for the use of encryption algorithms to protect confidential and sensitive information. This policy must be read in conjunction with the Acceptable Use of Information Technology Resources Policy.

SCOPE

This policy applies to the encryption algorithms used to protect confidential and sensitive information. A risk-based approach drives all **FSU** data encryption requirements. Considerations include legal or regulatory requirements, data inventory, classification, method(s) of access, storage or transmission mechanisms, and other contributing security controls in place.

POLICY

Fitchburg State University shall use approved encryption algorithms to protect sensitive and confidential information. **Fitchburg State University** must use only approved cryptographic techniques and follow Federal and State regulations and adhere to legal authority that is granted for the dissemination and use of encryption technologies outside of the United States.

ENFORCEMENT

Any employee found to have violated, intentionally or unintentionally, this policy may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

ROLE	RESPONSIBILITY
Information Security Officer	Ensure awareness and compliance with this policy. Ensure that this policy and all component policies and procedures are maintained and implemented.
IT Staff	Ensure that confidential and restricted data is appropriately protected.
Management Team	Provide information to aid in the risk analysis to determine the necessity and applicability of encryption mechanisms.
All Users	Users who are unfamiliar with using approved encryption technologies should seek guidance from the FSU Information Security Officer.

REFERENCES

Framework COBIT 4.1	Regulations and Requirements PCI DSS - MA 201	Supporting Standards and Procedures
PO2.3 Data Classification Scheme DS5.8 Cryptographic Management	<u>PCI</u> Requirement 3: Protect Stored Cardholder Data Requirement 4: Encrypt transmission of cardholder data across open, public networks.	

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	<u>MA 201 CMR 17:00</u> Section 17.15 Section 17.15	

REVISION HISTORY

This section contains comments on any revisions that were made to this document and the date they were made.

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