



Applying the AWS Shared Responsibility Model in Practice

Once a customer understands the AWS Shared Responsibility Model and how it generally applies to operating in the cloud, they must determine how it applies to their use case. Customer responsibility varies based on many factors, including the AWS services and Regions they choose, the integration of those services into their IT environment, and the laws and regulations applicable to their organization and workload.

The following exercises can help customers in determining the distribution of responsibility based on specific use case:

- **External / Internal**
- **Digital Transformation**
- **Security Capabilities**
- **Objectives**
- **Third-Party Audit**
- **Internal / External Audit**
- **Workload Optimization**
- **Software Acquisition**
- **Consulting Partnership**

AWS Shared Responsibility

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External / Internal



Determine external and internal security and related compliance requirements and objectives, and consider industry frameworks like the NIST Cybersecurity Framework (CSF) and ISO.

Digital Transformation



Consider employing the AWS Cloud Adoption Framework (CAF) and Well-Architected best practices to plan and execute your digital transformation at scale.

Security Capabilities



Review the security functionality and configuration options of individual AWS services within the security chapters of AWS service documentation.

Objectives



Evaluate the AWS Security, Identity, and Compliance services to understand how they can be used to help meet your security and compliance objectives.

Third-Party Audit



Review third-party audit attestation documents to determine inherited controls and what required controls may be remaining for you to implement in your environment.

Internal / External Audit



Provide your internal and external audit teams with cloud-specific learning opportunities by leveraging the Cloud Audit Academy training programs.

Workload Optimization



Perform a Well-Architected Review of your AWS workloads to evaluate the implementation of best practices for security, reliability, and performance.

Software Acquisition



Explore solutions available in the AWS Marketplace digital catalog with thousands of software listings from independent software vendors that enable you to find, test, buy, and deploy software that runs on AWS.

Consulting Partnership



Explore AWS Security Competency Partners offering expertise and proven customer success securing every stage of cloud adoption, from initial migration through ongoing day-to-day management.