

# The New Approach To Reporting

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# Goals for PCI DSS v4.0



- **Ensure the standard continues to meet the security needs of the payments industry**
- **Add flexibility to support different methodologies being used to achieve security**
- **Promote security as a continuous process**
- **Enhance validation methods and procedures**

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## Overview of Session

- **PCI DSS v4.0 Changes that Impact Reporting**
- **Report on Compliance Updates**
- **Attestation of Compliance Updates**

# Flexibility for Different Methodologies

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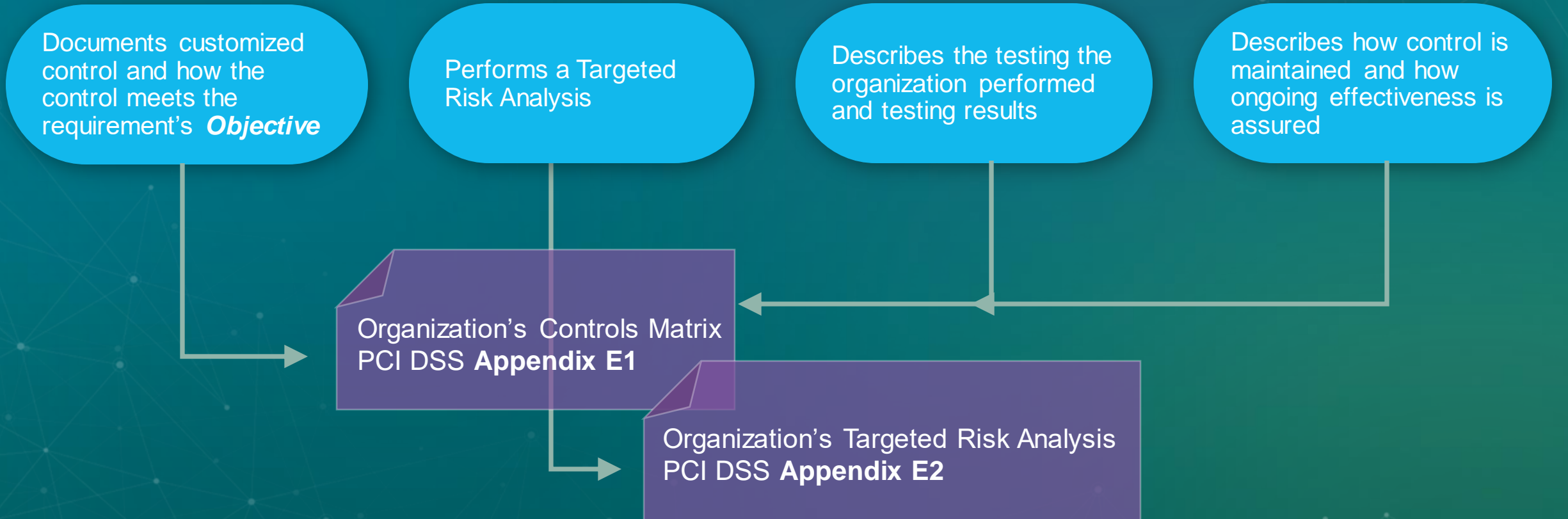
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## Customized Approach (NEW)

Focuses on the *objective* of each PCI DSS requirement

Provides greater flexibility for entities using different ways to achieve security

# The Organization's Role



# The Assessor's Role



Reviews organization's Controls Matrix(es) and Targeted Risk Analysis to understand the control

Derives testing procedure(s), including what will be reviewed, evidence to be examined and observed, interviews, etc.

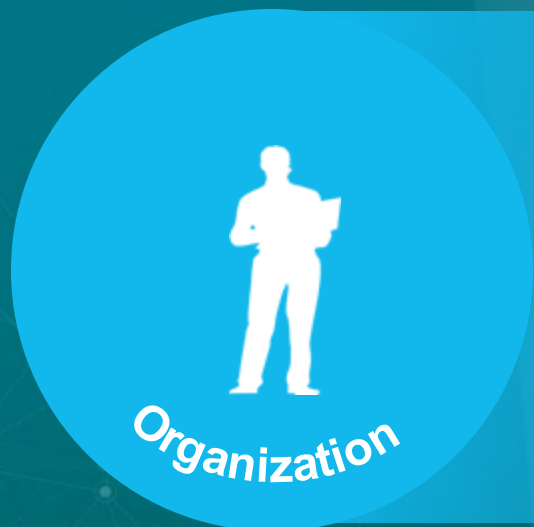
Performs testing procedure(s) and documents results per instructions in the ROC Template

ROC Template **Part II**  
and  
ROC Template **Appendix E**

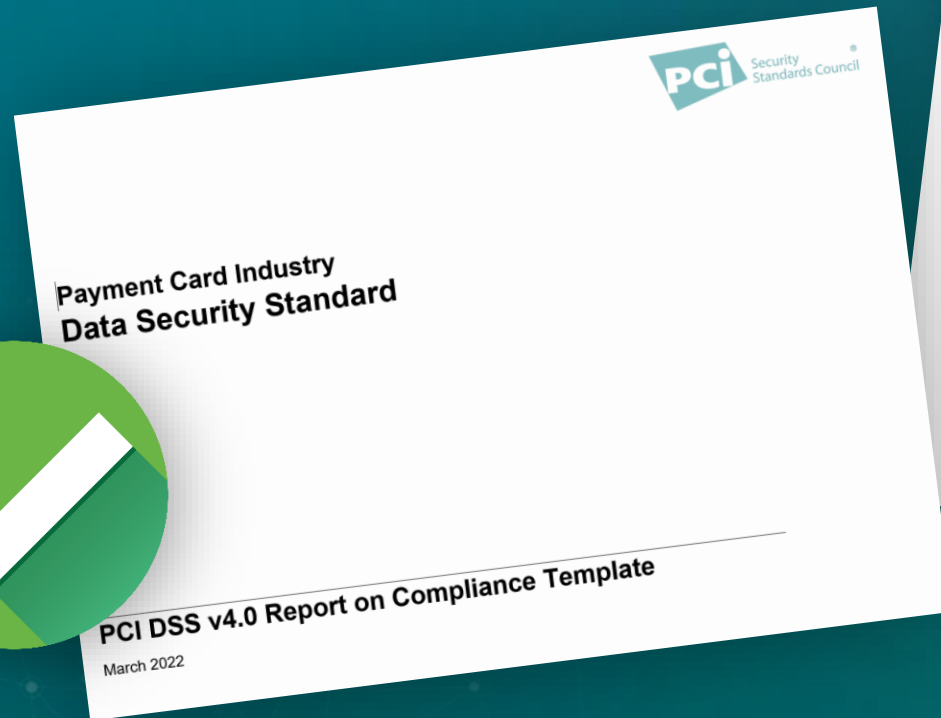
Organization's Controls Matrix  
PCI DSS **Appendix E1**

Organization's Targeted Risk Analysis  
PCI DSS **Appendix E2**

# Working Together is Key



# Which Entities Can Use The Customized Approach?



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## Customized Approach

The organization has mature risk-management practices and chooses to implement different controls that *meet the Customized Approach Objective* in a different way than the defined requirement.

# Security as a Continuous Process

# PCI DSS Requirement Responses



Responses *at the individual requirement* to indicate the entity's status

- In Place
- In Place with Remediation
- Not Applicable
- Not Tested
- Not in Place

# New Reporting Options



**In Place  
with Remediation**

**NEW**

# In Place With Remediation



## Examples: In Place with Remediation

- Security patches not applied within 30 days
- A misconfigured network security control
- Users that missed security awareness training
- Accidental storage of unencrypted PAN
- A missing quarterly vulnerability scan

# Difference Between Not Applicable And Not Tested

## Not Applicable

**Assessor documents testing performed** to confirm the Not Applicable status

*Example: No PAN exists in environment  
Requirements specific to PAN are Not Applicable*

## Not Tested

**Assessor does not perform any testing** and does not know whether the requirement applies or is In Place

*Example: Only requirements for Prioritized Approach  
Milestones 1-4 are included in the assessment  
All other requirements are Not Tested*

# Uses of Not Tested: the Good and the Bad...

## Organization wants to include only certain requirements

Acquirer asks merchant to include only Prioritized Approach Milestones 1-4

An organization includes only requirements for a newly implemented technology

A service provider includes only requirements for a data center hosting service

## Organization has requirements that are not in place

Organization wants “Not Tested” results while it implements corrective actions

# NO!

# New Reporting Options



**NEW**

Full Assessment

Partial Assessment

# Compliant But With Legal Exception



There is a legal restriction that prevents an organization from meeting a PCI DSS requirement

- Meeting the requirement would violate a law or regulation
  - Contractual obligations or legal advice are not legal restrictions*
- Requirement is marked Not in Place

# Enhanced Validation Methods and Procedures

# Report on Compliance (ROC) Overview



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# ROC Parts



The ROC is broken into three main parts:

**ROC Template  
Instructions**

**Part I Assessment  
Overview**

**Part II Findings  
and Observations**

# ROC Template Instructions



ROC Template  
Instructions

- **New** customizable title page
- Reflects PCI DSS changes and reporting changes
- Clarified confusing language
- ROC Template Instructions can now be deleted

# Part I Assessment Overview



Six sections with information about the entity and environment being assessed

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Remote Assessment Activities

From the *PCI SSC Remote Assessment Guidelines*

## Sections for Assessors To Describe:

- Overview of Remote Testing Activity
- Summary of Testing Performed Remotely
- Assessor Assurance in Assessment Result
- Requirements that Could Not be Fully Verified



## Payment Card Industry (PCI) Remote Assessment

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### Guidelines and Procedures

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# Part I Assessment Overview



## Overall Assessment Result & Summary of Assessment

### More transparency about assessment results

- Full or Partial Assessment
- Summary for each principal requirement:
  - Assessment findings
  - Indication if compensating controls or customized approach used

### 1.7 Overall Assessment Result

Indicate below whether a full or partial assessment was completed. Select only one.

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Full Assessment:</b> All requirements have been assessed and therefore no requirements were marked as Not Tested.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Partial Assessment:</b> One or more requirements have not been assessed and were therefore marked as Not Tested. Any requirement not assessed is noted as Not Tested in section 1.8.1 below.

Overall Assessment Result (Select only one)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Compliant:</b> All sections of the PCI DSS ROC are complete, and all assessed requirements are marked as being either 1) In Place, 2) In Place with Remediation, or 3) Not Applicable, resulting in an overall COMPLIANT rating; thereby the assessed entity has demonstrated compliance with all PCI DSS requirements except those noted as Not Tested above.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Non-Compliant:</b> Not all sections of the PCI DSS ROC are complete, or one or more requirements are marked as Not in Place, resulting in an overall NON-COMPLIANT rating; thereby the assessed entity has not demonstrated compliance with PCI DSS requirements.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Compliant but with Legal Exception:</b> One or more assessed requirements in the ROC are marked as Not in Place due to a legal restriction that prevents the requirement from being met and all other assessed requirements are marked as being either 1) In Place, 2) In Place with Remediation, or 3) Not Applicable, resulting in an overall COMPLIANT BUT WITH LEGAL EXCEPTION rating; thereby the assessed entity has demonstrated compliance with all PCI DSS requirements except those noted as Not Tested above or as Not in Place due to a legal restriction.

### 1.8 Summary of Assessment

#### 1.8.1 Summary of Assessment Findings and Methods

Indicate all the findings and assessment methods within each PCI DSS principal requirement. Select all that apply. For example, **In Place** and **Not Applicable** must both be selected for Requirement 1 if there is at least one sub-requirement marked **In Place** and one sub-requirement marked **Not Applicable**. The columns for Compensating Controls and Customized Approach must be selected if there is at least one sub-requirement within the principal requirement that utilizes the respective method. For example, Compensating Control and Customized Approach must both be checked if at least one sub-requirement utilizes Compensating Controls and at least one sub requirement utilizes a Customized Approach. If neither Compensating Controls nor Customized Approach are used, then leave both blank.

PCI DSS Requirement	Assessment Finding Select all options that apply.					Select If Below Method(s) Was Used	
	In Place	In Place with Remediation	Not Applicable	Not Tested	Not in Place	Compensating Control	Customized Approach
Requirement 1:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requirement 2:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requirement 3:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requirement 4:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requirement 5:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requirement 6:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

# Part I Assessment Overview



## Evidence (Assessment Workpapers)

Records the evidence the assessor reviewed that supports their conclusions for each requirement.

### Four evidence categories:

- Documentation Evidence
- Interview Evidence
- Observation Evidence
- System Evidence

The screenshot shows a laptop screen with a form titled "6 Evidence (Assessment Workpapers)". The form is divided into two main sections: "6.1 Evidence Retention" and "6.2 Documentation Evidence".

**6.1 Evidence Retention**

Describe the repositories where the evidence collected during this assessment is stored including the names of the repositories and how the data is secured.	<Enter Response Here>
Identify the entity or entities who controls the evidence repositories.	<Enter Response Here>
Indicate whether the entity or entities in control of the evidence repositories understands that all evidence from this assessment must be maintained for a minimum of 3 years and must be made available to PCI SSC upon request.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**6.2 Documentation Evidence**

Identify all evidence for any testing procedure requiring a review of documents such as policies, procedures, standards, records, inventories, vendor documentation, and diagrams. Include the following: (Add rows as needed)

Reference Number	Document Name (including version, if applicable)	Brief Description of Document Purpose	Document Revision Date (if applicable)
EXAMPLE: Doc-1	Company XPY Information Security Policy	Information Security Policy	2021-02-18
<Enter Response Here>	<Enter Response Here>	<Enter Response Here>	<Enter Response Here>

# Part II Findings and Observations



Requirements and Testing Results

- Requirements updated to **PCI DSS v4.0**
- New Finding Option: **“In Place with Remediation”**
- New Approach: **“Describe why the assessment finding was selected”**

**Part II Findings  
and Observations**

# Part II Findings and Observations

## Reporting Results for each PCI DSS Requirement

- Assessment Findings - five options
- Single narrative response for each requirement
  - For each test: Identify evidence rather than detailed report results
- Reporting for Customized Approach and Compensating Controls

PCI DSS Requirement				
3.6.1.3 Access to cleartext cryptographic key components is restricted to the fewest number of custodians necessary.				
Assessment Findings (select one)				
In Place	In Place with Remediation	Not Applicable	Not Tested	Not in Place
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Describe why the assessment finding was selected. <i>Note: Include all details as noted in the "Required Reporting" column of the table in Assessment Findings in the ROC Template Instructions.</i>			<Enter Response Here>	
Validation Method – Customized Approach				
Indicate whether a Customized Approach was used:			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
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Validation Method – Defined Approach				
Indicate whether a Compensating Control was used:			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
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Testing Procedures	Reporting Instructions	Reporting Details: Assessor's Response		
3.6.1.3 Examine user access lists to verify that access to cleartext cryptographic key components is restricted to the fewest number of custodians necessary.	Identify the evidence reference number(s) from Section 6 for all user access lists examined for this testing procedure.	<Enter Response Here>		

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## Appendix E Customized Approach Template

The Assessor must identify and describe each customized control used.

Controls Matrix and Targeted Risk Analysis documentation must be identified and confirmed to support the use of the Customized Approach.

<b>Identify the customized control name / identifier</b> for each control used to meet the Customized Approach Objective. <i>(Note: use the Customized Control name from the assessed entity's controls matrix)</i>	<Enter Response Here>
<b>Describe each</b> control used to meet the Customized Approach Objective. <i>(Note: Refer to the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) Requirements and Testing Procedures for the Customized Approach Objective)</i>	<Enter Response Here>
<b>Describe how</b> the control(s) meet the Customized Approach Objective.	<Enter Response Here>
<b>Identify the Controls Matrix documentation</b> reviewed that supports a customized approach for this requirement.	<Enter Response Here>
<b>Identify the Targeted Risk Analysis documentation</b> reviewed that supports the customized approach for this requirement.	<Enter Response Here>
<b>Identify</b> name(s) of the assessor(s) who attests that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The entity completed the Controls Matrix including all information specified in the Controls Matrix Template in Appendix E1 of <i>Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) Requirements and Testing Procedures</i> and the results of the Controls Matrix support the customized approach for this requirement.</li><li>The entity completed the Targeted Risk Analysis including all information specified in the Targeted Risk Analysis Template in Appendix E2 of <i>Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) Requirements and Testing Procedures</i>, and that the results of the Risk Analysis support use of the customized approach for this requirement.</li></ul>	<Report Name(s) of Assessor(s) Here>

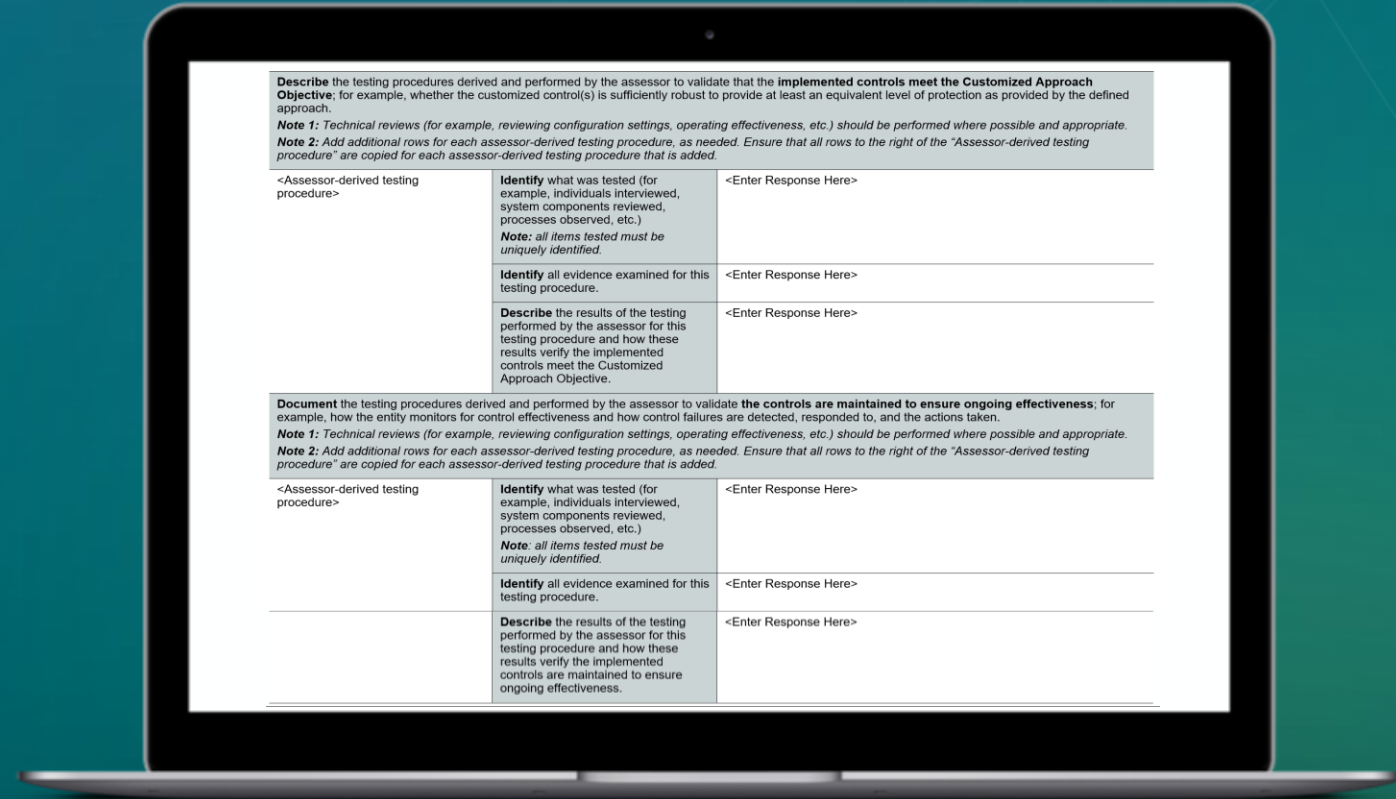
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## Appendix E Customized Approach Template

The Assessor must develop and document testing procedures, perform the testing, document the results.

Testing procedures must validate that implemented controls meet the Customized Approach Objective and the controls are maintained to ensure ongoing effectiveness.



# Updates to Attestations of Compliance



- Align content with ROC
- More transparency for AOC reviewers
- Address general stakeholder feedback
- Promote security as a continuous process
- Enhance validation methods and procedures



# Conclusion

- Formatting of ROC changed – intent is to simplify and support v4.0 features
- AOC updates align with ROC content and provide transparency
- Not possible without the feedback received from the industry

# A Look Into Self Assessments

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