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PCI Security Standards Council Bulletin: SAQs for PCI DSS v4.0 are Now Available

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The PCI SSC has published the Self-Assessment Questionnaires (SAQs) for PCI DSS v4.0. The SAQs are validation tools intended to assist SAQ-eligible merchants and service providers in performing and reporting the results of their PCI DSS self-assessment.

Updates to SAQs for PCI DSS v4.0 incorporate feedback received from the industry and include:

- Aligning requirement content with PCI DSS v4.0.
- Adding PCI DSS v4.0 requirements to address evolving threats.
- Rearranging, retitling, and expanding information in the introductory sections.
- Aligning content in the SAQ Attestations of Compliance (AOC) with the PCI DSS v4.0 Report on Compliance AOCs.
- Adding new appendices, as applicable, to support new reporting responses.
- Updating SAQ D for Service Providers to require additional documentation about the assessed environment and descriptions of testing results for each PCI DSS requirement.

PCI DSS v4.0 SAQs can be found in the PCI SSC Document Library on the PCI SSC website.

Merchants should confirm they meet all eligibility criteria for a particular SAQ before commencing their self-assessment. All entities completing SAQs are encouraged to first contact the entity to which the SAQ will be submitted to confirm they are eligible to complete an SAQ to validate PCI DSS compliance, and to understand any specific requirements or instructions.

The SAQs for PCI DSS v3.2.1 will remain active until PCI DSS v3.2.1 is retired on 31 March 2024. Refer to the <u>Countdown to PCI DSS v4.0</u> blog post for information about transition timelines between PCI DSS v3.2.1 and v4.0.