

# Ready to Level Up Your Cybersecurity Compliance? Contact CTI Today!



DATE	CMMC STATUS	WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU
October 2024	The CMMC Final Rule was published to the Federal Register.	CMMC will validate compliance through independent assessments conducted by C3PAOs.
December 2024	The <a href="#">CMMC Final Rule (32 CFR)</a> became effective.	CMMC C3PAO assessments can begin.
Early 2025	Third-party assessments for CMMC Lvl 2 began	
Mid 2025	CMMC language will begin appearing in contracts with the introduction of Title 48 into DFARS.	CMMC compliance and a valid assessment will start to become a requirement on some DoD contracts.
September 2025	The DoD published the CMMC Acquisition Rule (48 CFR) in the Federal Register.	
November 10, 2025	<p><b>On November 10, 2025, the Department of Defense's (DoD) final rule for the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) program officially went into effect.</b></p> <p>The 3-year phased rollout of CMMC requirements into new defense contracts and solicitations began.</p> <p>Enforcement of <a href="#">CMMC requirements</a> for contractors handling FCI (<b>Federal Contract Information</b>) which is information-related to the protection of <b>critical infrastructure (CI)</b> and CUI (<b>Controlled Unclassified Information</b>) began in new DoD solicitations.</p>	<p>As of November 10, 2025, new DoD solicitations began including CMMC requirements that will phase in over the next few years.</p> <p><b>Phase 1: November 10, 2025 – Level 1 &amp; 2 self-assessments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Level 1</b> self-assessments were required for contracts involving Federal Contract Information (FCI).</li> <li>• <b>Level 2</b> self-assessments were required for contracts involving less sensitive <b>Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI)</b>.</li> <li>• Level 2 third-party certification assessments started being inserted into select contracts involving sensitive CUI. The DoD has the discretion to require a C3PAO (third-party certification assessment) for certain Level 2 contracts even during this phase. Let our talented team of RP's help get your organization to reach Level 1 with our <a href="#">CMMC LevelUp process!</a></li> </ul>
November 10, 2026	<p><b>CMMC Phase 2 Implementation</b> – Solicitations will require Level 2 Certification. Note, the DoD may opt to delay the Level 2 certification requirement in a contract to an option period.</p>	<p><b>Phase 2: November 10, 2026 – Level 2 third-party certifications (C3PAO) required for new contracts.</b></p> <p>Let our talented team of RP's help get your organization to Level 2 with our <a href="#">CMMC LevelUp process!</a></p>
November 10, 2027	<p><b>CMMC Phase 3 Implementation</b> – Starts on November 10, 2027 – Applicable solicitations will require Level 3 Certification. The DoD may opt to delay the Level 3 certification requirement in a contract to an option period.</p>	<p><b>Phase 3: November 10, 2027 – Level 3 third-party certifications will be required for all new contracts unless delayed.</b></p> <p>Let our talented team of RP's help get your organization to Level 3 with our <a href="#">CMMC LevelUp process!</a></p>
November 10, 2028	<p><b>CMMC Phase 4 Implementation</b> – Beginning on November 10, 2028 – All solicitations and contracts will include applicable CMMC Level requirement as a condition of contract awards.</p>	<p><b>Phase 4: November 10, 2028 – Level 4 – all new and renewing contracts will have certification requirements.</b></p> <p>Let our talented team of RP's help get your organization to Level 4 with our <a href="#">CMMC LevelUp process!</a></p>

\*\*Companies will need their assessment completed by award time, which should be Q1 of 2026. In 2027, all new contracts will have CMMC requirements. And in 2028, all contracts, including renewals will have CMMC requirements.