



Cyber security is an integral service in any procurement process; defence procurements require *higher security*.

The Canadian Centre for Cyber Security has issued a new cyber secure certification process, whereby their auditors will measure your company's IT systems and assets against 13 baseline controls for cyber hygiene. The higher your company's cyber hygiene, including awareness training of all employees, the greater chance your company will remain protected against any attack.

For more information, please visit www.investnorthernontario.com and view our ***Defence Readiness Program - Cyber Security***.

Small Business Risks <https://www.getcybersafe.gc.ca/cnt/prtct-yrslf/prtct-smlbsn/rsks-smlbsn-en.aspx>

Get Certified https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/137.nsf/eng/h_00016.html

What is CMMC?

The *Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification* is a US-based and enforceable measure of cybersecurity which is still in its infancy stage. The proposed model will affect any Canadian business working with any US counterparts, specifically in defence procurement. At the present time, there is no Canadian company qualified to audit for the US model; however, as 2021 approaches, all companies doing any government or military procurements in the US will be required to have at least a Level 1 of CMMC *or equivalency* such as CyberSecure Canada certification, depending on the information a company sends or receives.

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CMMC <https://www.acq.osd.mil/cmmc/faq.html>