

National Information Assurance Partnership Common Criteria Evaluation and Validation Scheme

CCEVS Policy Letter #16

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SUBJECT: Validator Oversight Review (VOR) Scheduling Priorities

PURPOSE: Provide the criteria and process by which the CCEVS prioritizes monthly VOR submissions received by Common Criteria Testing Laboratories (CCTL).

BACKGROUND: In order to best support the critical IA product needs of our Department of Defense (DoD) and Intelligence Community (IC) customers, CCEVS must prioritize expenditure of critical validator resources. Frequently, the number of VOR requests each month exceeds the number of NIAP CCEVS validator resources available to conduct these VORs. Therefore, as outlined below, CCEVS established priorities for scheduling VORs.

POLICY:

- 1. Final VORs will be given first priority. If the number of requests exceed the number of resources available, they will be prioritized in the following manner:
 - a. Approved U.S. Government PP compliant products;
 - b. Non-PP compliant products.
- 2. Test VORs will be given the next priority. If the number of requests exceed the number of resources available, they will be prioritized the same as stated in item 1 above.
- 3. Lastly, as space is available, Initial VORs will be accepted. They will also be prioritized in the same manner as stated in item 1 above.

If all resources fill for any given month, overflow will be moved onto the list for the following month and re-prioritized using the guidelines above. Exceptions to the above policy will be based on critical customer needs.

EFFECTIVE DATE: All new evaluations and on-going evaluations are subject to this policy effective the date of this correspondence.

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