



National Information Assurance Partnership Common Criteria Evaluation and Validation Scheme

NIAP Policy Letter #29

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SUBJECT: Certificate Maintenance Length for Common Criteria Evaluation and Validation Scheme (CCEVS) Evaluations.

REFERENCES: Common Criteria Evaluation and Validation Scheme Publication #1, "Organization, Management, and Concept of Operations" Version 5.0, February 2020

Common Criteria Evaluation and Validation Scheme Publication #6, "Assurance Continuity: Guidance for Maintenance and Re-evaluation" Version 3.0, 12 September, 2016

PURPOSE: This policy establishes time lengths for Certificate Maintenance based on the technology.

BACKGROUND: Procedures for the maintenance of Common Criteria certificates are governed by the Common Criteria Certificate Maintenance Program as described in Publication #6: *Assurance Continuity: Guidance for Maintenance and Re-evaluation*. Products evaluated against NIAP-approved PPs and PP-Configurations receive an Assurance Maintenance date, after which the product either must undergo Assurance Continuity or be placed on the Archived Products List. The Assurance Maintenance date is typically two years after completion of the evaluation but may vary depending on the technology. NIAP has reviewed the technology types and determined the following time lengths are appropriate for the given technologies.

POLICY: Products evaluated against the below NIAP-approved PPs and PP-Configurations will be assigned an Assurance Maintenance Date of five years:

- Any PP-Configuration containing PP_PSD_V4.0 or later versions.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This policy is effective immediately for all new evaluations and retroactively for all relevant products on the Product Compliance List.

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