### 1. Policy Overview

This policy establishes the framework for managing vulnerabilities within **[COMPANY]**'s IT infrastructure to ensure the security and integrity of our systems through timely and effective identification, evaluation, and remediation of threats.

### 2. Scope

This policy applies to all IT assets owned or operated by **[COMPANY]**, including networks, servers, endpoints, and associated applications.

### 3. Responsibilities

- Chief Information Security Officer (CISO): Oversight of the vulnerability management process and ensuring compliance with this policy. Department Heads: Responsible for ensuring compliance within their respective departments.
- Chief Information Officer (CIO): Ensuring that vulnerability management is integrated with **[COMPANY]**'s overall IT strategy.

### 4. Vulnerability Scan Schedule

- Routine Scans: Conduct monthly scans of all IT assets to identify vulnerabilities.
- Ad-Hoc Scans: Perform scans in response to significant security alerts or when new vulnerabilities are reported.
- A local agent will be used for vulnerability assessment on end-user workstations

#### 5. Remediation Schedule and Cadence

Based on the Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS):

- Critical RCE ZERO DAY (CVSS 9.0-10): Remediate or mitigate within 48 hours.
- Critical (CVSS 9.0-10): Remediate or mitigate within 7 days.
- High (CVSS 7.0-8.9): Remediate or mitigate within 2 weeks.
- Medium (CVSS 4.0-6.9): Remediate or mitigate within 30 days.
- Low (CVSS 0.1-3.9): Remediate or mitigate within 90 days.

#### 6. Maintenance Plans

- Routine Patching: Apply security patches and updates on a scheduled monthly basis.
- Emergency Patching: Initiate within 24 hours for critical vulnerabilities that pose immediate risks.
- Emergency Mitigation: Implement temporary measures (e.g., firewall rules, access restrictions) to protect against vulnerabilities while permanent solutions are developed.
- Unpatchable Assets: Implement segmentation, increased monitoring, or phased removal from the environment.

## 7. Non-Compliance Consequences

Departments failing to comply with this policy will face:

- Immediate review of their procedures.
- Mandatory retraining for involved personnel.
- Escalation to senior management for further disciplinary actions including termination

### 8. Sign-Off

# **Chief Information Security Officer (CISO)**

Sign: CISO

Date: 1 July 2025

# **Chief Information Officer (CIO)**

Sign: **CIO** 

Date: 1 July 2025

## **Chief Executive Officer (CEO)**

Sign: CEO

Date: 1 July 2025

### 9. Review and Revision

This policy will be reviewed annually or sooner if necessary to accommodate changes in business processes or to address emerging threats.

#### **Document Control**

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