

# PCI Compliance

The experience at New Paltz  
a.k.a. “The Good, the Bad,  
and the Ugly”

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**TARGET**

- Data breaches
- Compliance
- Acquirer/processor pressures



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# Who I am

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# What I am not

- I am not a QSA
- I am not a lawyer
- I don't know your environment
- I can't tell you for certain which SAQ you should complete.

- Scope
- ASV - Approved Scanning Vendor
- QSA - Qualified Security Assessor
- PCI-DSS - Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard
- PA-DSS - Payment Application Data Security Standard
- SAQ - Security Assessment Questionnaire



- Cardholder Data
  - Primary Account Number
  - Cardholder name
  - Expiration date
  - Service Code
- Sensitive Authentication Data
  - Full track data
  - CVV
  - PIN

# What is the Scope of PCI?

applies to “*all system components in or connected to the cardholder data environment*”

## Examples of scope:

- Virtualization environment
- Network equipment (switches, access points, routers)
- Systems involved in or providing services to cardholder data environment (DNS, NTP, authentication, proxy, web)
- Any system or component connected to the CDE

Cardholder data is a virus

Limit the spread as if it were an infectious disease.

# How can scope be reduced?

- Network Segmentation
- Point-to-Point Encryption (P2PE)

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# Things to avoid if possible

- Electronic storage of credit card data in ANY format (even encrypted)
- Taking credit cards over the phone via VoIP

*What if you find out you are storing card data electronically...*



# How can scope be reduced?

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- Point-to-Point Encryption (P2PE)
  - Encrypted at swipe
  - You should be completely unable to see/access unencrypted card data.

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# Network restrictions

- 1.2.1 Restrict inbound and outbound traffic to that which is necessary for the cardholder data environment, and specifically deny all other traffic.*
- 1.2.3 Install perimeter firewalls between all wireless networks and the cardholder data environment, and configure these firewalls to deny or, if traffic is necessary for business purposes, permit only authorized traffic between the wireless environment and the cardholder data environment.*
- 11.4 Use intrusion-detection and/or intrusion-prevention techniques to detect and/or prevent intrusions into the network.*

- Center for Internet Security - Benchmark Tools
- Dedicated Payment Systems
  - Don't use wireless keyboards
- Two factor authentication for system components.
- File integrity monitoring

# Patch Management

- Need a local patch repository
- *“Appropriate software patches are those patches that have been evaluated and tested sufficiently to determine that the patches do not conflict with existing security configurations.”*

- Consider using outside vendors for all credit card processing software.
- Avoid using in-house code development for anything involving credit card processing.  
Doing so requires:
  - Code review by knowledgeable individuals *other than* the code authors
  - Lots of change controls and change documentation
  - Secure coding techniques training needed

- Internal vulnerabilities on all *system components*.
  - Performed by a *qualified internal resource*
- External scanning and remediation on all public facing systems in your network
  - Performed by an *Approved Scanning Vendor (ASV)*

# Penetration Testing

- External testing must be done at least annually or after significant changes.
- Must be done by a qualified internal resource that is **organizationally independent** or a qualified external tester.
- Network segmentation must be verified/tested.

# Physical Requirements

- Much more stringent requirements when cardholder data is stored.
  - Even more if removable media is used for storage
- Inspection of hardware is a necessity
- Destroy hard copies when done processing

*10.6.1 - Review the following at least daily (either manually or via log tools):*

- *All security events*
- *Logs of all system components that store, process, or transmit CHD and/or SAD*
- *Logs of all critical system components.*
- *Logs of all servers and systems that perform security functions (for example, firewalls, IDS/IPS, authentication servers, e-commerce redirection servers, etc.)*

10.7 - Retain audit trail history for at least one year, with a minimum of three months immediately available for analysis



# Policy Review

- Review your Information Security Policies
- Fill in any identified policy gaps
- Make sure the CC processing staff understand the policy
- Background checks
- Have an incident response policy
  - Test your incident response plan

# Challenges

- External agencies on your network (bookstore, food services, auxiliary services)
- Getting your acquirer to accept compensating controls or acceptable risks
- Wireless Access Points

# Wireless Access Points

*11.1 - Implement processes to test for the presence of wireless access points, and detect and identify all authorized and unauthorized wireless access points on a quarterly basis.*

*On a college campus?*

*Seriously?*

*No.*

*Not happening.*

*No way.*

Questions? Comments?