

Portnox CLEAR NAC-as-a-Service



NCUA ACET
Framework Assessment

As the NCUA audits continue to expand, many credit unions struggle with finding an effective solution to meet Domain 3 controls within the ACET framework.

Fortunately, Portnox CLEAR provides the network access control, endpoint awareness, risk and real-time remediation capabilities that either directly meet or highly contribute to many of the most difficult Domain 3 audit areas and requirements.

Here's how...

Statement #	Domain	Assessment Factor	Component	Maturity Level	Category Declarative Statement	Portnox Value...
188	3: Cybersecurity Controls	1: Preventative Controls	1: Infrastructure Management	Baseline	Systems that are accessed from the Internet or by external parties are protected by firewalls or other similar devices.	Contributes
189				Baseline	All ports are monitored.	Meets
190				Baseline	Up to date antivirus and anti-malware tools are used.	Meets
192				Baseline	Ports, functions, protocols and services are prohibited if no longer needed for business purposes.	Contributes
194				Baseline	Programs that can override system, object, network, virtual machine, and application controls are restricted.	Meets
196				Baseline	Wireless network environments require security settings with strong encryption for authentication and transmission. (*N/A if there are no wireless networks.)	Meets
199				Evolving	Technical controls prevent unauthorized devices, including rogue wireless access devices and removable media, from connecting to the internal network(s).	Meets

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201	3: Cybersecurity Controls	1: Preventative Controls	1: Infrastructure Management	Evolving	Guest wireless networks are fully segregated from the internal network(s). (*N/A if there are no wireless networks.)	Meets
205				Intermediate	The enterprise network is segmented in multiple, separate trust/security zones with defense-in-depth strategies (e.g., logical network segmentation, hard backups, air-gapping) to mitigate attacks.	Meets
206				Intermediate	Security controls are used for remote access to all administrative consoles, including restricted virtual systems.	Meets on Some Architectures
207				Intermediate	Wireless network environments have perimeter firewalls that are implemented and configured to restrict unauthorized traffic. (*N/A if there are no wireless networks.)	Contributes
208				Intermediate	Wireless networks use strong encryption with encryption keys that are changed frequently. (*N/A if there are no wireless networks.)	Contributes
213				Advanced	Anti-spoofing measures are in place to detect and block forged source IP addresses from entering the network.	Contributes
214				Innovative	The institution risk scores all of its infrastructure assets and updates in real time based on threats, vulnerabilities, or operational changes.	Contributes
215				Innovative	Automated controls are put in place based on risk scores to infrastructure assets, including automatically disconnecting affected assets.	Contributes

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218	3: Cybersecurity Controls	1: Preventative Controls	2: Access and Data Management	Baseline	Employee access is granted to systems and confidential data based on job responsibilities and the principles of least privilege.	Contributes
219				Baseline	Employee access to systems and confidential data provides for separation of duties.	Contributes
220				Baseline	Elevated privileges (e.g., administrator privileges) are limited and tightly controlled (e.g., assigned to individuals, not shared, and require stronger password controls).	Contributes
223				Baseline	Identification and authentication are required and managed for access to systems, applications, and hardware.	Contributes
227				Baseline	Production and non-production environments are segregated to prevent unauthorized access or changes to information assets. (*N/A if no production environment exists at the institution or the institution's third party.)	Contributes
229				Baseline	All passwords are encrypted in storage and in transit.	Complies
230				Baseline	Confidential data are encrypted when transmitted across public or untrusted networks (e.g., Internet).	Contributes
231				Baseline	Mobile devices (e.g., laptops, tablets, and removable media) are encrypted if used to store confidential data. (*N/A if mobile devices are not used.)	Meets
232				Baseline	Remote access to critical systems by employees, contractors, and third parties uses encrypted connections and multifactor authentication.	Meets

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233	3: Cybersecurity Controls	1: Preventative Controls	2: Access and Data Management	Baseline	Administrative, physical, or technical controls are in place to prevent users without administrative responsibilities from installing unauthorized software.	Meets
241				Intermediate	The institution has implemented tools to prevent unauthorized access to or exfiltration of confidential data.	Contributes
244				Intermediate	All physical and logical access is removed immediately upon notification of involuntary termination and within 24 hours of an employee's voluntary departure.	Contributes
245				Intermediate	Multifactor authentication and/or layered controls have been implemented to secure all third-party access to the institution's network and/or systems and applications.	Meets
248				Baseline	Controls are in place to prevent unauthorized access to collaborative computing devices and applications (e.g., networked white boards, cameras, microphones, online applications such as instant messaging and document sharing). (* N/A if collaborative computing devices are not used.)	Contributes
251				Innovative	Adaptive access controls de-provision or isolate an employee, third-party, or customer credentials to minimize potential damage if malicious behavior is suspected.	Meets
254				Innovative	The institution is leading efforts to create new technologies and processes for managing customer, employee, and third-party authentication and access.	Contributes

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256	3: Cybersecurity Controls	1: Preventative Controls	3: Device / End-Point Security	Baseline	Controls are in place to restrict the use of removable media to authorized personnel.	Meets
257				Evolving	Tools automatically block attempted access from unpatched employee and third-party devices.	Meets
258				Evolving	Tools automatically block attempted access by unregistered devices to internal networks.	Meets
259				Evolving	The institution has controls to prevent the unauthorized addition of new connections.	Meets
260				Evolving	Controls are in place to prevent unauthorized individuals from copying confidential data to removable media.	Meets
261				Evolving	Antivirus and anti-malware tools are deployed on end-point devices (e.g., workstations, laptops, and mobile devices).	Contributes
263				Evolving	The institution wipes data remotely on mobile devices when a device is missing or stolen. (*N/A if mobile devices are not used.)	Meets
265				Intermediate	Mobile device management includes integrity scanning (e.g., jailbreak/rooted detection). (*N/A if mobile devices are not used.)	Meets
267				Advanced	Employees' and third parties' devices (including mobile) without the latest security patches are quarantined and patched before the device is granted access to the network.	Contributes

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284	3: Cybersecurity Controls	2: Detective Controls	1: Threat and Vulnerability Detection	Baseline	Antivirus and anti-malware tools are updated automatically.	Contributes	
289				Evolving	Antivirus and anti-malware tools are updated automatically.	Meets	
307			2: Anomalous Activity Detection	Evolving	Logs provide traceability for all system access by individual users.	Contributes	
317				Advanced	A system is in place to monitor and analyze employee behavior (network use patterns, work hours, and known devices) to alert on anomalous activities.	Contributes	
320				Innovative	The institution has a mechanism for real-time automated risk scoring of threats.	Contributes	
321				Innovative	The institution is developing new technologies that will detect potential insider threats and block activity in real time.	Contributes	
323				3: Event Detection	Baseline	Mechanisms (e.g., antivirus alerts, log event alerts) are in place to alert management to potential attacks.	Contributes
324					Baseline	Processes are in place to monitor for the presence of unauthorized users, devices, connections, and software.	Meets
326			Baseline		The physical environment is monitored to detect potential unauthorized access.	Meets	
327			Evolving		A process is in place to correlate event information from multiple sources (e.g., network, application, or firewall).	Contributes	

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329	3: Cybersecurity Controls	2: Detective Controls	3: Event Detection	Intermediate	Event detection processes are proven reliable.	Contributes
330				Intermediate	Specialized security monitoring is used for critical assets throughout the infrastructure.	Contributes
331				Advanced	Automated tools detect unauthorized changes to critical system files, firewalls, IPS, IDS, or other security devices.	Contributes
332				Advanced	Real-time network monitoring and detection is implemented and incorporates sector-wide event information.	Meets
333				Advanced	Real-time alerts are automatically sent when unauthorized software, hardware, or changes occur.	Contributes
335				Innovative	The institution is leading efforts to develop event detection systems that will correlate in real time when events are about to occur.	Contributes
336				Innovative	The institution is leading the development effort to design new technologies that will detect potential insider threats and block activity in real time.	Contributes
341		3: Corrective Controls	1: Patch Mgmt.	Evolving	Systems are configured to retrieve patches automatically.	Meets

For more in-depth information on how Portnox CLEAR specifically fits into the above areas of the NCUA ACET framework, please visit: www.portnox.com/ncu-acet

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Portnox provides simple to deploy, operate and maintain network security, visibility and access control solutions. Portnox software can be deployed on-premises, as a SaaS/cloud-delivered service, or in hybrid mode. It is agentless and is vendor agnostic, allowing organizations to maximize their existing network and cybersecurity investments. Hundreds of enterprises around the world rely on Portnox for network visibility, cybersecurity policy enforcement and regulatory compliance. The company has been recognized for its innovations by Info Security Products Guide, Cyber Security Excellence Awards, IoT Innovator Awards, Computing Security Awards, Best of Interop ITX, Cyber Defense Magazine and more. Portnox has offices in the U.S., Europe and Asia.