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1. Introduction

The mobile device has make people's life convenient and has become indispensable. Various mobile applications (Apps) have emerged as the times require, but some programmers lack the security awareness about developing the applications. Thus, the relevant security issues are not considered, which may result in the risk of leakage of user data or financial loss. Industrial Development Bureau, Ministry of Economic Affairs actively studied and planed the "Security Regulations for Mobile Application" based on the 26th Council Meeting of National Information & Communication Security Taskforce on June 24, 2014.

In this way, Industrial Development Bureau, Ministry of Economic Affairs authorized Institute for Information Industry to set up a task force formed by domestic experts in the field of security, to consider the international relevant security standards and guidelines, and to carry out the compilation of this regulation. At each stage of revision, through expert forums and public seminars, we sought advice from the industry, government, and research institutes, and listened to opinions broadly. According to those, we have revised and completed this regulation for the industry to adopt voluntarily while developing applications by themselves. This regulation has been revised to V1.2 in May 2018.

This regulation is non-mandatory. The main purpose is to improve the basic security protection capability of our country's mobile applications. From the initial stage of design, the basic concept of capital security is introduced, and the key elements of the regulation are used to remind App developers to strengthen basic security awareness and gradually improve APP security protection.

This regulation includes six security benchmarks, namely, "Mobile Application Release Security", "Protection of Sensitive Data", "Transaction Resource Security Controls", "Identity Authentication and Authorization, and Connection Management Security of Mobile Application Users", "Security of Mobile Application Code", and

"Server-side Security Tesing". Application developers can refer to the regulation, improve the security quality of the mobile application, enhance trust and willingness of users to use the applications, and create a win-win situation for developers and users.

2. Applicability

This regulation addresses basic information security requirements for mobile applications on the mobile device side and includes information security requirements on the server side.

This regulation applies to non-specific¹ mobile applications and common features² of mobile applications. Applications for specific areas and the information security regulations required for their domain should be set by the respective business authorities.

This regulation is a basic information security guideline for operators of mobile applications, and it is a voluntary guideline that can be followed by industry.

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¹ Specific: Refers to a specific area, regulated by specific authorities and laws, such as finance, medical, taxation, etc.

² Common features: Refers to the common functions and similar basic functions required for the operation of mobile applications, such as data storage and transmission protection mechanisms or user identity authentication mechanism, etc.

3. Terms and Definitions

3.1. Mobile Application

A designed application for smartphones, tablet PCs and other mobile devices.

3.2. Application Store

A platform or website in the built-in device for the mobile device users to browse, download, and purchase.

3.3. Personal Data

According to the "Personal Information Protection Act", all individual's data could be recognized directly or indirectly, included, but not limited to name of a natural personal, date of birth, national identity card number, passport number, characteristics, fingerprints, marriage, family, education, occupation, medical history, medical care, gene, sex life, health checks, criminal record, contact information, financial status, social activities, International Mobile Equipment Identity (IMEI), International Mobile Subscriber Identity (IMSI), and other information that directly or indirectly identify the individual.

3.4. Sensitive Data

Information that is created, stored or transmitted by the mobile device and its associated storage media due to the user's actions or the operation of the mobile application, which may cause the leakage of the information and further cause damage to the user. Except for the definition of personal data defined in 3.3., the user's information includes, but not limits to passwords, keys, video, photos, calls, audio files, instant messaging messages, call history, texting, memos, contacts, notes, geographic locations, calendars, device identifiers, and other relevant information about personal privacy.

3.5. Password

A set of characters that allow the user to use the system or to identify the users, including the password of the local stored encrypted data, account and password

of users, account and password of remote web service.

3.6. Transaction Resource

The additional features, content or subscriptions that are available directly or indirectly by purchasing in the mobile app. Transaction Resource is defined as a monetary event, whether it is a virtual or physical currency (including points or serial numbers) and other valuable items. For example, if a ticket is purchased in the ticketing system, a set of QR codes can be used as a voucher for the ticket. If the e-book is purchased in the online bookstore App, the content of the e-book can be read. To subscribe or purchase the transaction service item in the App, it provides new features, remove the use restriction function or remove the advertising function after the transaction. Or the payment network app provides the payment function; the bank type app provides the transfer or the app provides the function of purchasing the entity or virtual goods.

3.7. Session Identification, Session ID

The identification code assigned to the connection when the connection is established and is used as the unique identification code during the connection. When the connection ends, the identification code can be released and reassigned to the new connection.

3.8. Server Certificate

The signature verification data, providing mobile application authentication server identity and data transmission encryption.

3.9. Certificate Authority

The authority or legal person that issues the certificate.

3.10. Malicious Code

The infringement of user rights without the user's consent, including but not limited to any code with malicious features or behavior.

3.11. Vulnerability

The flaws in the security of mobile applications, threatening the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of a system or mobile application data.

3.12. Library

Involving or packaging a complex or hardware-related program into a function or an object and compiling it into a binary code to provide the code to the programmer.

3.13. Code Injection

The malicious instructions entered by the user due to a fault in the mobile application design, including but not limited to Command Injection and SQL Injection.

3.14. Mobile Operating System

The operating systems that operate on the mobile devices.

3.15. Mobile Resource

The functions or services provided by the mobile devices, including but not limited to cameras, photos, microphones, wireless networks, sensors, and geographic locations.

3.16. In-App Update

Update the mobile application content and features through a customized method without updating the major version released in the mobile application store.

3.17. Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures

Referred to as "CVE". The vulnerability management program sponsored by the US Department of Homeland Security, the only common number recognized globally for each vulnerability project.

3.18. Weak Cryptographic Algorithm

The encryption algorithm with a CVE number.

3.19. Known Vulnerabilities

A vulnerability with a CVE number.

3.20. Authentication

The guarantee of the identity claimed by the individual.

3.21. Advanced Encryption Standard

The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in 2001 released in the AES (Advanced Encryption Standard) encryption algorithm, file number FIPS PUB 197 standard and officially implemented in 2002. AES can support 128-bit Data Block and support 128, 192 and 256-bit Key Size for improved security. AES encryption and decryption contains more than ten Round Numbers. Each round contains four main basic units.

3.22. Triple Data Encryption Standard

A product cipher method uses a Triple Data Encryption Standard to process 64bit data blocks.

3.23. Elliptic Curve Cryptography

An algorithm establishes public key cryptography, which is an additive group or mathematical structure generated by an elliptic curve. The use of elliptic curves in cryptography was proposed by Neal Koblitz and Victor Miller in 1985, respectively.

3.24. Certificate Pinning

The server voucher pre-stored in the application, used to confirm whether it matches the server voucher when connecting.

3.25. Hash

The data fingerprint calculated by an algorithm in a series of data, often used to identify whether files and materials have been tampered with to ensure that the

files and materials are indeed provided by the original.

3.26. Obfuscation

Conversion of the mobile application source code to an unreadable form without affecting function execution.

3.27. Using Sensitive Data

The application uses the data for itself or provides to third parties.

3.28. Log File

System logs, application logs, security logs, debug logs, or custom log files for debugging purposes only.

3.29. Device Identifier

Refers to the unique identification information of hardware or software, including International Mobile Equipment Identity (IMEI), Mobile Equipment Identifier (MEID), International Mobile Subscriber Identity (IMSI), Integrated Circuit Card Identifier (ICCID), Media Access Control Address (MAC address), Android Identifier (Android ID), Android System Advertising ID (Android Advertising ID, AID), iOS IFAID (Identifier for Advertisers Identifier, IFAID), and Windows Phone Device ID.

3.30. Cache Files or Temporary Files

The files that are generated by the mobile application and are not related to the functionality of the application. They are usually deleted at the end of the application. The existence of this file does not affect the functionality and performance of the mobile application when it is executed again, such as temporary archiving or cache. In addition, if deleting a file causes the automatic login function to be invalid, the file should belong to the profile instead of the cache file or temporary file.

3.31. Configuration File

The file that the mobile application stores the relevant settings of the mobile

application, which will affect the performance of the function when the mobile application is executed again.

3.32. Encode

The action of converting data into code or characters, and the code or character can be translated or resolved into the original data.

3.33. Decode

The action of translating the encoded code or character into the original data.

3.34. Payload

The valid information or instructions in the contents of a package, a message or a part of code.

3.35. Collecting Sensitive Data

The mobile application obtains Sensitive Data built into the mobile device or input by the user.

3.36. Storing Sensitive Data

Storing the Sensitive Data as a file to the mobile device or a subsidiary storage media.

3.37. Common Vulnerability Scoring System

Referred to as "CVSS". It uses the characteristics and the impact of IT vulnerabilities to score. It is developed by the National Infrastructure Advisory Council (NIAC), now transferred to the Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams (FIRST). Currently, it is the third edition.

3.38. Secure Random Number Generator

A random number generation function that conforms to or references the ANSI X9.17 standard.

3.39. Secure Domain

The applicability includes developers and customer-owned domains, or commonly well-known public domains. Commonly well-known public domains include applications that support the OAuth 2.0 protocol, such as Facebook, Google, or Twitter.

3.40. Secure Encryption Function

An encryption function that conforms to FIPS 140-2 Annex A.

4. Technical Requirements

4.1. Mobile Application Information Security Technology Requirements

This section is intended for different mobile applications for the technical requirements of security, including the five-oriented: "Mobile Application Release Security", "Protection of Sensitive Data", "Transaction Resource Security Controls", "Identity Authentication and Authorization, and Connection Management Security of Mobile Application Users" and "Security of Mobile Application Code".

4.1.1. Mobile Application Release Security

This mainly applies for Information Security requirements for the released mobile application, including the release, updates, and the problem in return.

4.1.1.1. Mobile Application Release

Mobile applications shall be released in reliable App Stores.

Mobile applications, when released, shall be noted the Sensitive Data accessed by applications, the mobile device resources and the declaration of the permission and purposes.

4.1.1.2. Mobile Application Update

Mobile applications shall be released the updates to reliable App Stores.

Mobile applications shall provide an update mechanism and notify actively announcement when security updates.

4.1.1.3. Mobile Application Security Issues in Return

Mobile application developers should provide a channel of return on security issues.

Mobile application developers should respond and improve the problem within a reasonable period.

4.1.2. Protection of Sensitive Data

This applies mainly for Sensitive Data and personal data related to technical requirements of information security, including collection, use, storage, transmission, sharing and deletion of Sensitive Data.

4.1.2.1. Sensitive Data Collection

Before the mobile applications collect Sensitive Data, they should get users' consent and provide the users the right to refuse them.

4.1.2.2. Sensitive Data Usage

Before the mobile applications use Sensitive Data, they must obtain the users' consent and provide the users the right to refuse them.

If mobile applications use password authentication, they should actively remind the users to set more complex passwords.

Mobile applications should remind users to regularly change the passwords.

4.1.2.3. Sensitive Data Storage

Before the mobile applications store Sensitive Data, they should get users' consent and provide the users the right to refuse them.

Sensitive Data stored in mobile applications should be used only for the intended use statement.

Sensitive Data stored in mobile applications should avoid redundant Sensitive Data stored in log files or archives.

Sensitive Data should adopt appropriate and effective length of the key and encryption algorithm, and it should be encrypted before saving.

Sensitive Data should be stored in a protected area by the operating system to prevent unauthorized access from other mobile applications.

Sensitive Data should be avoided in the code of mobile applications.

Mobile applications should take the initiative to alert the user when capturing the screen.

4.1.2.4. Sensitive Data Transmission

Mobile applications transmitting Sensitive Data through the Internet should be encrypted by using appropriate and effective key length of the encryption algorithm.

4.1.2.5. Sensitive Data Sharing

Different mobile applications within mobile devices should get users' consent and provide the users the right to refuse them before sharing the sensitive data.

When the mobile applications share Sensitive Data, they should prevent unauthorized access from other mobile applications.

4.1.2.6. Sensitive Data Deletion

The function of deletion should be provided if mobile applications store users' Sensitive Data.

4.1.3. Transaction Resource Security Controls

This is mainly applied for the related information security testing standard on transaction resource controls, including the use and controls of transaction resources.

4.1.3.1. Use of Transaction Resources

Mobile applications should proactively notify users before using transaction resources and provide the user the right to refuse it.

4.1.3.2. Transaction Resources Control Management

Mobile applications should identify users before using transaction resources.

Mobile applications should record the transaction resources and time after using transaction resources.

4.1.4. Identity Authentication and Authorization, and Connection Management Security of Mobile Application Users

This is mainly applied for mobile applications related to information security technical requirements of identity authentication and authorization, and connection management, including identity authentication and authorization, and connection management mechanisms.

4.1.4.1. User Identity Authentication and Authorization

Mobile Applications should have appropriate identity authentication mechanisms to confirm users' identity and authorize users depending on users' identity.

4.1.4.2. Connection Management Mechanism

Mobile Applications should avoid session identification code with regularity.

Mobile Applications should confirm the validity of the server's certificate.

Certificate of mobile applications connecting to the server shall be issued by the trusted certificate authority.

Mobile Applications should avoid connecting and transmitting data with the server with no valid certificate.

4.1.5. Security of Mobile Application Code

This mainly applied for the Information Security requirements for developing mobile applications, including protection against malicious code and preventing information security vulnerabilities, mobile applications integrity, library reference security and user input validation.

4.1.5.1. Protection against Malicious Code and Prevention for Information Security Vulnerabilities

Mobile Applications should avoid products containing malicious code.

Mobile Applications should avoid information security vulnerabilities.

4.1.5.2. Mobile Application Integrity

Mobile Applications should use appropriate and effective verification mechanisms to ensure the integrity.

4.1.5.3. Reference Library Security

When updating the reference library of mobile applications, they should prepare for an updated version. As for updating requirements, please refer to Mobile Application Release Security.

4.1.5.4. User Input Validation

Mobile applications should check the security and provide relevant injection attack protection mechanism when users input strings in the input stages.

4.2. Server-side Information Security Technology Requirements

This regulation is intended to put forward the basic information security requirements for mobile applications. If mobile applications involve the need of information security on the server-side, it is suggested that the industry should self-declare or decide its server-side protection and information security management measures, or issue the third-party certificate to prove the information security and management of their server-side service.

4.2.1. Server-side Security Management

Server-side security is suggested to aim at the applications and services to do the threat model analysis of the application and service to identify security risks to the service, in order to implement the necessary follow-up and effective control measures.

4.2.2. Server-side Security Testing

The nature of server-side mobile application platform is websites and web service server. Without proper secure design and development, there will be

vulnerabilities like traditional web applications. Therefore, in the server-side security testing, the developer may use appropriate penetration test mode for testing.

4.2.2.1. WebView Security Testing

Mobile applications should use WebView to exchange web resources with remote server.

When the mobile application rendering to WebView, the connection should be in Secure Domain.

5. Mobile Application Category

Different categories for mobile applications have different security requirements. This chapter distinguishes different types of applications with different requirements of information security, which have been divided into three categories, namely:

Level 1: no requiring the identity authentication of the mobile applications.

Level 2: requiring the identity authentication of the mobile applications.

Level 3: containing the mobile application transactions.

For each category for mobile applications, the definition should be consistent with the minimum set of technical requirements for information security matters; i.e., mobile applications should comply with the information security technology requirements under its category. The special cases that are not mentioned above will be explained separately in "Testing Standards".

6. Reference Materials

Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP)

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2017

Cloud Security Alliance (CSA)

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United States

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Europe

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China

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Japan

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International Standards

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- [12] ISO / IEC 20000: 2011 (Information technology Service management)
- [13] ISO / IEC 19790: 2012 (Information technology Security techniques Security requirements for cryptographic modules)
- [14] ISO / IEC 15408: 2009 (Information technology Security techniques Evaluation criteria for IT security)
- [15] ISO / IEC 14598: 2001 (Information technology Software product evaluation)
- [16] ISO / IEC TR 9126-4: 2004 (Software engineering Product quality)

Domestic Laws

- [17] Personal Data Protection Act (December 30, 2015, Republic of China)
- [18] Personal Data Protection Act Enforcement Rules (March 2, 2016, Republic of China)

Appendix I. Technical Requirements Table with Other Countries

TECHNICAL	OWASP	US NIST [NOTE 1]	EUROPE ENISA	CHINA YD / T 2407-
REQUIREMENTS	CORRESPONDING		[NOTE 2]	2013 [NOTE 3]
	ITEM			
4.1.1.1. Mobile	N/A	Executive Summary	9. Secure Software	5.5.2 Requirements of
Application Release			Distribution	Security Authentication
				Mechanism for
				Applications
4.1.1.2. Mobile	N/A	Executive Summary	9. Secure Software	5.5.4 Security
Application Update			Distribution	Requirements of Pre-
				applications
4.1.1.3. Mobile	N/A	Executive Summary	9. Secure Software	5.5.4 Security
Application Security			Distribution	Requirements of Pre-
Issues in Return				applications
4.1.2.1. Sensitive Data	N/A	4. Mobile Application	1. Identify and Protect	5.5.4 Security
Collection		Evaluation - Privacy	Sensitive Data	Requirements of Pre-
		and Personally		applications
		Identifiable		
		Information		
4.1.2.2. Secure	V2.1: Verify that	4. Mobile Application	1. Identify and Protect	5.5.4 Security
Sensitive Data Usage	system credential	Evaluation - Privacy	Sensitive Data	Requirements of Pre-
23 22	storage facilities are	and Personally		applications
	used appropriately to	Identifiable		5.6.2 Authorized
	store sensitive data,	Information		Access to User Data
	such as user credentials			Files

TECHNICAL	OWASP	US NIST [NOTE 1]	EUROPE ENISA	CHINA YD / T 2407-
REQUIREMENTS	CORRESPONDING		[NOTE 2]	2013 [NOTE 3]
	ITEM			
	or cryptographic keys			
4.1.2.3. Sensitive Data	V2.1: Verify that	4. Mobile Application	1. Identify and Protect	5.6.3 Storage of Users'
Storage	system credential	Evaluation - Protect	Sensitive Data on the	Encrypted Data
	storage facilities are	Sensitive Data	Mobile Device	
	used appropriately to			
	store sensitive data,			
	such as user credentials			
	or cryptographic keys			
4.1.2.4. Sensitive Data	V2.6: Verify that no	4. Mobile Application	4. Ensure Sensitive Data	5.5.4 Security
Transmission	sensitive data is	Evaluation - Protect	Protection in Transit	Requirements of Pre-
	exposed via IPC	Sensitive Data		applications
	mechanisms			5.6.2 Authorized
				Access to User Data
				Files
4.1.2.5. Sensitive Data	V2.3: Verify that no	4. Mobile Application	1. Identify and Protect	5.6.2 Authorized
Sharing	sensitive data is shared	Evaluation - Preserve	Sensitive Data on the	Access to User Data
	with third parties unless	Privacy	Mobile Device	Files
	it is a necessary part of			
	the architecture			
4.1.2.6. Sensitive Data	V2.1: Verify that	N/A	1. Identify and Protect	5.6.4 Complete
Deletion	system credential		Sensitive Data on the	Deletion of Users' Data
	storage facilities are		Mobile device	

TECHNICAL	OWASP	US NIST [NOTE 1]	EUROPE ENISA	CHINA YD / T 2407-
REQUIREMENTS	CORRESPONDING		[NOTE 2]	2013 [NOTE 3]
	ITEM			
	used appropriately to			
	store sensitive data,			
	such as user credentials			
	or cryptographic keys			
4.1.3.1. Transaction	V4.9: Verify that step-	N/A	8. Protect Paid resources	5.5.4 Security
Resources	up authentication is			Requirements of Pre-
	required to enable			applications
	actions that deal with			
	sensitive data or			
	transactions			
4.1.3.2. Transaction	V4.9: Verify that step-	N/A	8. Protect Paid resources	5.5.4 Security
Resource Control	up authentication is			Requirements of Pre-
Management	required to enable			applications
	actions that deal with			
	sensitive data or			
	transactions			
4.1.4.1. User identity	V4.1: Verify that if the	4. Mobile Application	3. Handle	5.6.2 Authorized
Authentication and	app provides users with	Evaluation - Privacy	Authentication and	Access to User Data
Authorization	access to a remote	and Personally	Authorization Factors	Files
	service, an acceptable	Identifiable	Securely on the Device	
	form of authentication	Information	Correctly	
	such as username /			

TECHNICAL	OWASP	US NIST [NOTE 1]	EUROPE ENISA	CHINA YD / T 2407-
REQUIREMENTS	CORRESPONDING		[NOTE 2]	2013 [NOTE 3]
	ITEM			
	password			
	authentication is			
	performed at the			
	remote endpoint			
4.1.4.2. Connection	V5.4: Verify that the	4. Mobile Application	2. User Authentication,	5.5.4 Security
Management	app either uses its own	Evaluation - Network	Authorization and	Requirements of Pre-
Mechanism	certificate store, or pins	Events	Session Management	applications
	the endpoint certificate			
	or public key, and			
	subsequently does not			
	establish connections			
	with endpoints that			
	offer a different			
	certificate or key, even			
	if signed by a trusted			
	CA			
4.1.5.1. Protection	V1.7: Verify that a	4. Mobile Application	6. Secure Data	5.5.4 Security
Against Malicious	threat model for the	Evaluation:	Integration with Third	Requirements of Pre-
Code and Prevent	mobile applications and	Malicious Functionality	Party Code	applications
Information Security	the associated remote	Malware Detection	10. Handle Runtime	
Vulnerabilities	services, which	Communication with	Code Interpretation	
	identifies potential	Known Disreputable		

TECHNICAL	OWASP	US NIST [NOTE 1]	EUROPE ENISA	CHINA YD / T 2407-
REQUIREMENTS	CORRESPONDING		[NOTE 2]	2013 [NOTE 3]
	ITEM			
	threats and	Sites		
	countermeasures, has	Libraries Loaded		
	been produced			
4.1.5.2. Mobile	V7.2: Verify that the	4. Mobile Application	N/A	5.5.4 Security
Application Integrity	app has been built in	Evaluation - Classes		Requirements of Pre-
	release mode, with	Loaded		applications
	settings appropriate for			
	a release build (eg.			
	non-debuggable)			
4.1.5.3. Reference	V1.2: Verify all third	4. Mobile Application	6. Secure Data	5.5.4 Security
Library Security	party components used	Evaluation:	Integration with Third	Requirements of Pre-
	by the mobile app, such	Native Methods	Party Code	applications
	as libraries and	Libraries Loaded		
	frameworks, are			
	identified, and checked			
	for known			
	vulnerabilities			
4.1.5.4. User Input	V6.2: Verify that all	4. Mobile Application	10. Handle Runtime	5.5.4 Security
Validation	inputs from external	Evaluation - Input	Code Interpretation	Requirements of Pre-
	sources and the user are	Validation		applications
	validated and if			
	necessary sanitized			

TECHNICAL	OWASP	US NIST [NOTE 1]	EUROPE ENISA	CHINA YD / T 2407-
REQUIREMENTS	CORRESPONDING		[NOTE 2]	2013 [NOTE 3]
	ITEM			
	This includes data			
	received via the UI,			
	IPC mechanisms such			
	as intents, custom			
	URLs, and network			
	sources.			
4.2.2.1. WebView	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Security Testing				

[NOTE 1] Vetting the Security of Mobile Applications App, NIST Special Publication 800-163, http://dx.doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-163, 2015

[NOTE 2] Smartphone Secure Development Guidelines, https://www.enisa.europa.eu/publications/smartphone-secure-development-guidelines-2016, ENISA, 2017

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Appendix II, Technical Requirements Reference Checklist

LINE ITEM	NO.	SKILLS REQUIREMENT
4.1.1.1. Mobile Application Release	1	Mobile applications shall be released in reliable App Stores.
	2	Mobile applications, when released, shall be noted the Sensitive Data
		accessed by applications, the mobile device resources and the declaration
		of the usage rights.
4.1.1.2. Mobile Application Update	3	Mobile applications shall be released the updates to reliable App Stores.
	4	Mobile applications shall provide an update mechanism and notify actively
		announcement when security updates.
4.1.1.3. Mobile Application Security	5	Mobile application developers should provide a channel of return on
Issues in Return		security issues.
	6	Mobile application developers should respond and improve the problem
		within a reasonable period.
4.1.2.1. Sensitive Data Collection	7	Before the mobile applications collect Sensitive Data, they should get
		users' consent and provide the users the right to refuse them.
4.1.2.2. Sensitive Data Usage	8	Mobile applications, such as password authentication, should actively
		remind the users to set more complex passwords.
	9	Mobile applications such as the use password authentication, should take
		the initiative to remind the user to set more complex passwords.
	10	Mobile applications should remind users to regularly change the
		passwords.
4.1.2.3. Sensitive Data Storage	11	Before the mobile applications store Sensitive Data, they should get users'
		consent and provide the users the right to refuse them.
	12	Sensitive Data stored in mobile applications should be used only for the

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		intended use statement.
	13	Sensitive Data stored in mobile applications should avoid redundant
		Sensitive Data stored in log files or archives.
	14	Sensitive Data should adopt appropriate and effective length of the key and
		encryption algorithm, and it should be encrypted before saving.
	15	Sensitive Data should be stored in a protected area by the operating system
		to prevent unauthorized access from other mobile applications.
	16	Sensitive Data should be avoided in the code of mobile applications.
	17	Mobile applications should take the initiative to alert the user when
		capturing the screen.
4.1.2.4. Sensitive Data Transmission	18	Mobile applications transmitting Sensitive Data through the Internet should
		use appropriate and effective key length of the encryption algorithm for
		secure encryption.
4.1.2.5. Sensitive Data Sharing	19	Different mobile applications within mobile devices should get users'
		consent and provide the users the right to refuse them before sharing the
		sensitive data.
	20	When the mobile applications share Sensitive Data, they should prevent
		unauthorized access from other mobile applications.
4.1.2.6. Sensitive Data Deletion	21	The function of deletion should be provided if mobile applications store
		users' Sensitive Data.
4.1.3.1. Transaction Resources	22	Mobile applications should proactively notify users before using
		transaction resources and provides the user the right to refuse it.
4.1.3.2. Transaction Resources Control	23	Mobile applications should identify users before using transaction
Management		resources.

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	24	Mobile applications should record the transaction resources and time after
		using transaction resources.
4.1.4.1. The User Identity Authentication	25	Mobile Applications should have appropriate identity authentication
and Authorization		mechanisms to confirm users' identity and authorize users depending on users' identity.
4.1.4.2. Connection Management	26	Mobile Applications should avoid communicating identification code with
Mechanism		regularity.
	27	Mobile Applications should confirm the validity of the server's certificate.
	28	Certificate of mobile applications connecting to the server shall be issued
		by the trusted certificate authority.
	29	Mobile Applications should avoid connecting and transmitting data with
		the server with no valid certificate.
4.1.5.1. Protection Against Malicious	30	Mobile Applications should avoid products containing malicious code.
Code and Prevent Information Security Vulnerabilities	31	Mobile Applications should avoid information security vulnerabilities.
4.1.5.2. Mobile Application Integrity	32	Mobile Applications should use appropriate and effective verification
		mechanisms to ensure the integrity.
4.1.5.3. Security Reference Library	33	When updating the reference library of mobile applications, they should
		prepare for an updated version. As for updating requirements, please refer
		to Mobile Application Release Security.
4.1.5.4. User Input Validation	34	Mobile applications should check the security and provide relevant
		injection attack protection mechanism when users input strings in the input
		stages.
4.2.2.1. WebView Security Testing	35	Mobile applications should use WebView to exchange web resources with

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		remote server.
	36	When the mobile application rendering to WebView, the connection should
		be in Secure Domain.