

For companies selling products with digital components in the EU, the CRA brings new obligations related to managing cybersecurity risks, detecting and addressing vulnerabilities, securing the supply chain, and reporting incidents. A wide range of products are affected, including:



IoT Devices



**Network Components** 



Cloud Services



Specialized Industrial Systems

With the introduction of the CRA, businesses are now required to meet stricter security standards, and failing to comply could lead to significant consequences.



The CRA is a regulation proposed by the European Union to ensure that **products with digital components** – such as software, smart devices, and connected equipment – are **secure by design** and **secure by default**. It applies to **importers, manufacturers**, and **distributors operating in the EU market**.

### Who does it affect?

- Manufacturers of software and hardware
- Importers & distributors placing digital products on the EU market
- Organizations integrating digital products into business operations

## Non-compliance risks

- Fines of up to €15 million or 2.5% of global annual turnover
- Product recalls or bans
- Reputational damage and legal liability

# **Key requirements**



## **Security by Design**

Implement cybersecurity features at every development stage



### **Vulnerability Management**

Ongoing monitoring, testing, and patching



#### **Transparency**

Clear instructions for use, maintenance, and risk mitigation



# **Vulnerability & Incident Reporting**

Notify CSIRTs and ENISA of vulnerabilities and exploited vulnerabilities



# **Conformity Assessment**

Certain high-risk products require third-party evaluation

# **Key milestones**

September 2026 - Mandatory reporting of incidents and vulnerabilities will begin

December 2027 - Full implementation of the CRA, all products must meet the requirements

Given these timelines, it is crucial to start preparing **as soon as possible** to implement relevant processes and necessary security measures.

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Our team of experts in cybersecurity, regulatory compliance, law, and risk management will help you meet all CRA requirements.



### **Product Portfolio Analysis**

We assess your offerings to pinpoint CRA-regulated digital products



# Conformity Assessment & Documentation

We support technical documentation and preparation for CRA conformity assessment



## CRA Readiness & Gap Analysis

We benchmark your current state against CRA requirements



# **Vulnerability & Update Management**

We help you manage security updates and handle vulnerability disclosures effectively



### **Corrective Actions**

We propose clear, prioritized steps to close compliance and security gaps



### **Supply Chain & Third-Party Security**

We implement security standards across suppliers and external partners



### Implementation Support

We guide you in applying Security by Design and by Default principles



# **Expert Guidance & Methodology**

We provide ongoing expert support throughout the CRA compliance process

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