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INTRODUCTION

This document is part of a series of standards that addresses the issue of security for industrial automation and control systems (IACS). This document describes product development life-cycle requirements related to cyber security for products intended for use in the industrial automation and control systems environment and provides guidance on how to meet the requirements described for each element.

This document has been developed in large part from the Secure Development Life-cycle Assessment (SDLA) Certification Requirements [26] 1 from the ISA Security Compliance Institute (ISCI). Note that the SDLA procedure was based on the following sources:

- ISO/IEC 15408-3 (Common Criteria) [18];
- Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP) Comprehensive, Lightweight Application Security Process (CLASP) [36];
- The Security Development Life-cycle by Michael Howard and Steve Lipner [43];
- IEC 61508 Functional safety of electrical/electronic/programmable electronic safety-related systems [24], and
- RCTA DO-178B Software Considerations in Airborne Systems and Equipment Certification [28].

Therefore, all these sources can be considered contributing sources to this document.

This document is the part of the IEC 62443 series that contains security requirements for developers of any automation and control products where security is a concern.

Figure 1 illustrates the relationship of the different parts of IEC 62443 that were in existence or planned as of the date of circulation of this document. Those that are normatively referenced are included in the list of normative references in Clause 2, and those that are referenced for informational purposes or that are in development are listed in the Bibliography.

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1 Figures in square brackets refer to the bibliography.
Figure 2 illustrates how the developed product relates to maintenance and integration capabilities defined in IEC 62443-2-4 and to its operation by the asset owner. The product supplier develops products using a process compliant with this document. Those products may be a single component, such as an embedded controller, or a group of components working together as a system or subsystem. The products are then integrated together, usually by a system integrator, into an Automation Solution using a process compliant with IEC 62443-2-4. The Automation Solution is then installed at a particular site and becomes part of the industrial automation and control system (IACS). Some of these capabilities reference security measures defined in IEC 62443-3-3 [10] that the service provider ensures are supported in the Automation Solution (either as product features or compensating mechanisms). This document only addresses the process used for the development of the product; it does not address design, installation or operation of the Automation Solution or IACS.

In Figure 2, the Automation Solution is illustrated to contain one or more subsystems and optional supporting components such as advanced control. The dashed boxes indicate that these components are “optional”.

NOTE 1 Automation Solutions typically have a single product, but they are not restricted to do so. In some industries, there may be a hierarchical product structure. In general, the Automation Solution is the set of hardware and software, independent of product packaging, that is used to control a physical process (for example, continuous or manufacturing) as defined by the asset owner.

NOTE 2 If a service provider provides products used in the Automation Solution, then the service provider is fulfilling the role of product supplier in this diagram.

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Figure 2 – Example scope of product life-cycle
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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62443 specifies process requirements for the secure development of products used in industrial automation and control systems. It defines a secure development life-cycle (SDL) for the purpose of developing and maintaining secure products. This life-cycle includes security requirements definition, secure design, secure implementation (including coding guidelines), verification and validation, defect management, patch management and product end-of-life. These requirements can be applied to new or existing processes for developing, maintaining and retiring hardware, software or firmware for new or existing products. These requirements apply to the developer and maintainer of the product, but not to the integrator or user of the product. A summary list of the requirements in this document can be found in Annex B.

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The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 62443-2-4:2015, Security for industrial automation and control systems – Part 2-4: Security program requirements for IACS service providers
IEC 62443-2-4:2015/AMD1:2017