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NIST CSF 2.0

The NIST Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

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CURRENT EDITION Version 2.0 added the Govern function and widened the scope from critical infrastructure to every organization.

What It Covers

A common language for managing cybersecurity risk, organized into six functions with categories and subcategories of outcomes.

Who It Applies To

Any organization, of any size or sector, as a voluntary framework; often named by customers, insurers, and regulators.

Key Requirements

- Six functions: Govern, Identify, Protect, Detect, Respond, and Recover.
- Current and target profiles that show where the organization is and where it needs to be.
- Tiers that describe the rigor of cybersecurity risk governance and management.
- Supply chain risk management folded into the Govern function.

What an Auditor Asks to See

- The current and target profiles, and the plan to close the gap.

Where Systems Fall Short

- Profiles produced once for a board meeting and never updated.

How QES helps. Through QES's risk and cybersecurity partner: CSF 2.0 profiles linked to the enterprise risk register. Meet the risk and cybersecurity partner: qesisbest.com/team.html#partners · +1 (401) 246-3204 · mweeden@qesisbest.com

Sources, checked October 24, 2026. NIST — Cybersecurity Framework — www.nist.gov/cyberframework.

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