

# JCP CERTIFICATION NIST ASSESSMENT WORKFLOW



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# OVERVIEW

To obtain or maintain Joint Certification Program (JCP) approval, your organization must complete **NIST SP 800-171 Level 1** requirements. These requirements ensure that your company has the minimum cybersecurity safeguards needed to handle Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) and access DoD technical data.

As part of this requirement, your NIST assessment score must be entered and maintained in the **Supplier Performance Risk System (SPRS)**.

## NIST ASSESSMENTS ARE SUBMITTED THROUGH SPRS

The Department of Defense requires contractors to record their NIST 800-171 assessment in **SPRS**, which is the official DoD system for tracking cybersecurity compliance.

SPRS is accessed through the **Procurement Integrated Enterprise Environment (PIEE)**, the central portal used for DoD contracting, compliance, and reporting.

The actual NIST assessment is file in your organization's SPRS module located inside PIEE.

## GRANTING ACCESS TO SPRS

PIEE is designed to allow organizations to assign specific roles to internal staff **and** external specialists. This is not a workaround or an exception — it is the intended method for allowing consultants to assist with compliance.

PIEE uses roles to delegate specific and limited access to consultants and other outside entities who may require access. For example, most government contractors outsource the submission of invoices through WAWF to a 3<sup>rd</sup> party and as such issue a role for that purpose.

*These features exist because the DoD expects companies to rely on outside experts for NIST, CMMC, DFARS, and other compliance activities.*

Granting a delegated sub-role is standard practice across the defense contracting ecosystem.

## WHY WE NEED A PIEE SUB-ROLE

To support your NIST/CMMC assessment, I need a **limited, least-privilege role** that allows me to:

- Review your current cybersecurity posture
- Prepare your NIST 800-171 score
- Enter or update your assessment in SPRS

This role does **not** grant access to your contracts, SAM data, financial information, or other unrelated modules.

You remain in full control and can revoke the role at any time.

## OVERVIEW OF THE NIST ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Below is the standard workflow for completing your NIST 800-171 assessment:

### 1. Initial Review

We review your current cybersecurity practices, policies, and technical safeguards to determine your compliance with the 110 NIST 800-171 controls. This is done via a very short phone interview, teams meeting, or screenshare session.

## 2. Gap Identification

Any missing or partially implemented controls are quickly corrected. Because NIST Level 1 is very easy to comply with, most companies are already compliant without knowing it.

## 3. Scoring

Your NIST score is calculated using the DoD scoring methodology, which ranges from **-203 to +110**.

## 4. SPRS Entry

Your score, assessment date, and other required details are entered into SPRS through PIEE. This is where the delegated sub-role is required.

## SUMMARY

- NIST Level 1 is required for JCP.
- Assessments must be entered in SPRS.
- Access to SPRS is granted through PIEE.
- PIEE is designed for delegated access to consultants.
- You stay in full control of permissions and can revoke access at any time.
- The NIST assessment process includes review, scoring, SPRS entry, and ongoing updates.

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