



# Biosecurity Self-scan Toolkit

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## Management

Does the organisation have a management system that refers to biosafety and biosecurity?

*The management system describes how risks related to working with biological substances should be handled.*

Yes  No  N.A.

Has a risk assessment been carried out that includes the risks related to biosecurity?

*A risk assessment weighs, according to a standard format, the likelihood of incidents occurring and their possible effects.*

Yes  No  N.A.

Has a policy on bio-risk management (safety and security) been developed, authorised and signed by the organisation's senior management?

*The CEN Workshop Agreements (including the CWA 15793) are guidelines for organising biosecurity. This toolkit is based partly on these workshop agreements.*

Yes  No  N.A.

Are procedures in place for all activities that relate to the handling, storage, use and removal of biological agents?

*Such procedures describe how biological agents are dealt with throughout the organisation.*

Yes  No  N.A.

Have all departments involved in handling biological substances implemented the organisation's policies on how to handle such substances?

*Departments of large organisations may have their individual implementations of institutional procedures. It is important to ensure that institutional agreements are adhered to on department level.*

Yes  No  N.A.

Is the biosecurity function combined with that of biosafety?

*Biosecurity is an addition to biosafety and, thus, may be regarded as complementary. Therefore, one person could be in charge of both.*

Yes  No  N.A.

Is the policy on biosecurity revised, periodically, on the basis of experiences, risk assessments and/or external standards (audits)?

*Audits are important to assess the adequacy of existing procedures. Where necessary, procedures may be revised, following such an audit.*

Yes  No  N.A.

Does the organisation require suppliers and buyers of biological substances to have a security management system in place?

*In relations whereby biological substances are exchanged or traded with other organisations, it is important that these organisations operate under a comparable security management system.*

Yes  No  N.A.

Is adherence to the procedures and rules of conduct being monitored?

*This concerns compliance with biosecurity agreements on individual staff level (e.g. the judicious use of passwords).*

Yes  No  N.A.

Is the organisation's management actively involved in the policy on biosecurity?

*When authorising personnel to work with biological substances, familiarity and compliance with institutional agreements are also tested.*

Yes  No  N.A.

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