



## PA-DSS

Compliance requirements and security controls are not just tools to meet a singular requirement, but are one of the most valuable tools to protect an organization's most valuable assets: intellectual property and consumer information.

### WHAT IS PA-DSS?

The Payment Application Data Security Standard (PA-DSS) is a set of industry security standards that assists software vendors with creating and maintaining secure payment applications. PA-DSS applies only to third-party payment software that stores, processes or transmits cardholder data. The PA-DSS is a set of 14 requirements that every POS application developer should follow to maintain a high level of security within their applications. By making PA-DSS part of the PCI standard owned and administered by the PCI Security Standards Council, it is an industry-wide mandate that represents a significant step in securing cardholder data at the point of sale.

### WHAT IS PA-DSS COMPLIANCE?

PA-DSS compliance is the result of a successful assessment by a PA-DSS Qualified Security Assessor (PA-QSA) in good standing and acknowledged by the PCI Security Standards Council. The assessment covers all 14 requirements of the PA-DSS and includes testing for:

- › **Application Design**
- › **Application Security**
- › **Application Testing**
- › **Network Architecture**
- › **Other Critical Protective Measures**

## PA-DSS ROAD TO COMPLIANCE

Tevora's proven program is designed with efficiency in mind. The PA-DSS program has been perfected from years of working as security consultants for some of the largest companies in the world. Tactical and precise, the road to certification with Tevora is a simple three-step process:

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### GAP ANALYSIS

A tactical gap analysis will go a long way in outlining strategies for a cost-effective road to compliance. In addition to scope reduction, control validations will be made early on so remediation efforts can be direct and focused.

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### REMEDIATION

Whether it is writing security policies or implementing the security controls, working hand-in-hand with Tevora QSAs ensures direct and efficient ROI.

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### CERTIFICATION

True partners are with you until the end and Tevora will be there to walk you through the certification process. From application review to documentation to submission—Tevora handles all validation and reporting requirements so you can get back to focusing on what you do best: selling your payment app!