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1 611-AUTHORISING OFFICIAL DESIGNATING REPRESENTATIVE

1.1 WORK ROLE OVERVIEW

The table below provides an overview of various role-specific elements related 611-Authorizing Official/Designating Representative.

Table 1. 611-Authorizing Official/Designating Representative Work Role Overview

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|----------------------------------|--|
| NICE Role Description | Senior official or executive with the authority to formally assume responsibility for operating an information system at an acceptable level of risk to organizational operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), organizational assets, individuals, other organizations, and the Nation (CNSSI 4009). |
| OPM Occupational Series | <p>Personnel performing the 611-Authorizing Official/Designating Representative work role are most commonly aligned to the following Occupational Series (Top 5 shown):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2210-Information Technology – 49% - 340-Program Management – 11% - 301-Misc. Administration and Program – 7% - 343-Management and Program Analysis – 6% - 107-Health Insurance Administration – 4% |
| Work Role Pairings | <p>Personnel performing the 651-Enterprise Architect work role are most commonly paired with the following complimentary Work Roles (Top 5 shown):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 801-Program Manager – 23% - 612-Security Control Assessor– 13% - 901-Execuive Cyber Leadership– 11% - 431-Knowledge Manager – 8% - 751-Cyber Workforce Developer and Manager – 8% |
| Functional Titles | <p>Personnel performing the 611-Authorizing Official/Designating Representative work role may unofficially or alternatively be called:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Certifying Official - Compliance Manager - Designated Accrediting Authority - Information Assurance (IA) Officer |
| Distribution of GS-Levels | <p>Personnel performing the 611-Authorizing Official/Designating Representative are most commonly found within the following grades on the General Schedule.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <input type="checkbox"/> GS-6 – redacted* - <input type="checkbox"/> GS-7 – redacted* - <input type="checkbox"/> GS-9 – redacted* |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <input type="checkbox"/> GS-11 – redacted* - <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GS-12 – 7% - <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GS-13 – 12% - <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GS-14 – 16% - <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GS-15 – 27% <p>*percentages less than 3% have been redacted **37% of all personnel performing the 611-Authorizing Official work role are in non-GS pay plans and excluded from this section</p> |
| On Ramps | <p>The following work roles are examples of logical roles an individual may perform prior to transitioning into the 611-Authorizing Official/Designating Representative work role:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 752-Cyber Policy and Strategy Planner - 801-Program Manager - 901-Executive Cyber Leadership |
| Off Ramps | <p>The following work roles are examples of common transitions an individual may pursue after having performed the 611-Authorizing Official. This is not an exhaustive list, nor does it consider learning and development opportunities an individual may pursue to prepare themselves for performing alternate work roles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 752-Cyber Policy and Strategy Planner - 901-Executive Cyber Leadership |

1.2 CORE TASKS

The table below provides a list of tasks that represent the Core, or baseline, expectations for performance in the 611-Authorizing Official/Designating Representative work role, as well as additional tasks that those in this role may be expected to perform.

Table 2. 611- Authorizing Official/Designating Representative Core Tasks

| Task ID | Task | Core or Additional |
|----------------|--|---------------------------|
| T0145 | Manage and approve Accreditation Packages (e.g., ISO/IEC 15026-2). | Core |
| T0221 | Review authorization and assurance documents to confirm that the level of risk is within acceptable limits for each software application, system, and network. | Core |
| T0371 | Establish acceptable limits for the software application, network, or system. | Core |
| T0495 | Manage Accreditation Packages (e.g., ISO/IEC 15026-2). | Core |

1.3 CORE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

The table below provides a ranking of KSAs that represent the Core, or baseline, expectations for performance in the 611-Authorizing Official/Designating Representative work role, as well as additional KSAs that those in this role may be expected to demonstrate.

Table 3. 611- Authorizing Official/Designating Representative Core KSAs

| KSA ID | Description | Competency | Importance to Work Role |
|---------------|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| K0001 | Knowledge of computer networking concepts and protocols, and network security methodologies. | Infrastructure Design | Foundational to All Work Roles |
| K0004 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles. | Information Systems/Network Security | Foundational to All Work Roles |
| K0001 | Knowledge of computer networking concepts and protocols, and network security methodologies. | Infrastructure Design | Foundational to All Work Roles |
| K0003 | Knowledge of laws, regulations, policies, and ethics as they relate to cybersecurity and privacy. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence | Foundational to All Work Roles |
| K0002 | Knowledge of risk management processes (e.g., methods for assessing and mitigating risk). | Risk Management | Foundational to All Work Roles |
| K0005 | Knowledge of cyber threats and vulnerabilities. | Vulnerabilities Assessment | Foundational to All Work Roles |
| K0006 | Knowledge of specific operational impacts of cybersecurity lapses. | Vulnerabilities Assessment | Foundational to All Work Roles |
| K0260 | Knowledge of Personally Identifiable Information (PII) data security standards. | Data Privacy and Protection | Core |
| K0027 | Knowledge of organization's enterprise information security architecture. | Information Assurance | Core |
| K0037 | Knowledge of Security Assessment and Authorization process. | Information Assurance | Core |
| K0038 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles used to manage risks related to the use, processing, storage, and transmission of information or data. | Information Assurance | Core |
| K0044 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles and organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance | Core |
| K0054 | Knowledge of current industry methods for evaluating, implementing, and disseminating information technology (IT) | Information Assurance | Core |

| KSA ID | Description | Competency | Importance to Work Role |
|---------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | security assessment, monitoring, detection, and remediation tools and procedures utilizing standards-based concepts and capabilities. | | |
| K0295 | Knowledge of confidentiality, integrity, and availability principles. | Information Assurance | Core |
| K0179 | Knowledge of network security architecture concepts including topology, protocols, components, and principles (e.g., application of defense-in-depth). | Information Systems/Network Security | Core |
| S0034 | Skill in discerning the protection needs (i.e., security controls) of information systems and networks. | Information Systems/Network Security | Core |
| K0267 | Knowledge of laws, policies, procedures, or governance relevant to cybersecurity for critical infrastructures. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence | Core |
| K0048 | Knowledge of Risk Management Framework (RMF) requirements. | Risk Management | Core |
| K0084 | Knowledge of structured analysis principles and methods. | Risk Management | Core |
| K0169 | Knowledge of information technology (IT) supply chain security and supply chain risk management policies, requirements, and procedures. | Risk Management | Core |
| K0059 | Knowledge of new and emerging information technology (IT) and cybersecurity technologies. | Technology Awareness | Core |
| K0126 | Knowledge of Supply Chain Risk Management Practices (NIST SP 800-161) | Contracting/Procurement | Additional |
| A0111 | Ability to work across departments and business units to implement organization's privacy principles and programs, and align privacy objectives with security objectives. | Data Privacy and Protection | Additional |
| K0261 | Knowledge of Payment Card Industry (PCI) data security standards. | Data Privacy and Protection | Additional |
| K0262 | Knowledge of Personal Health Information (PHI) data security standards. | Data Privacy and Protection | Additional |
| K0622 | Knowledge of controls related to the use, processing, storage, and transmission of data. | Database Administration | Additional |
| K0019 | Knowledge of cryptography and cryptographic key management concepts | Encryption | Additional |
| K0101 | Knowledge of the organization's enterprise information technology (IT) goals and objectives. | Enterprise Architecture | Additional |

| KSA ID | Description | Competency | Importance to Work Role |
|---------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| K0199 | Knowledge of security architecture concepts and enterprise architecture reference models (e.g., Zachman, Federal Enterprise Architecture [FEA]). | Enterprise Architecture | Additional |
| A0090 | Ability to identify external partners with common cyber operations interests. | External Awareness | Additional |
| S0367 | Skill to apply cybersecurity and privacy principles to organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance | Additional |
| A0123 | Ability to apply cybersecurity and privacy principles to organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance | Additional |
| K0203 | Knowledge of security models (e.g., Bell-LaPadula model, Biba integrity model, Clark-Wilson integrity model). | Information Assurance | Additional |
| K0049 | Knowledge of information technology (IT) security principles and methods (e.g., firewalls, demilitarized zones, encryption). | Information Systems/Network Security | Additional |
| A0170 | Ability to identify critical infrastructure systems with information communication technology that were designed without system security considerations. | Information Technology Assessment | Additional |
| K0170 | Knowledge of critical infrastructure systems with information communication technology that were designed without system security considerations. | Infrastructure Design | Additional |
| K0322 | Knowledge of embedded systems. | Infrastructure Design | Additional |
| A0094 | Ability to interpret and apply laws, regulations, policies, and guidance relevant to organization cyber objectives. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence | Additional |
| K0168 | Knowledge of applicable laws, statutes (e.g., in Titles 10, 18, 32, 50 in U.S. Code), Presidential Directives, executive branch guidelines, and/or administrative/criminal legal guidelines and procedures. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence | Additional |
| A0077 | Ability to coordinate cyber operations with other organization functions or support activities. | Operations Support | Additional |
| A0117 | Ability to relate strategy, business, and technology in the context of organizational dynamics. | Organizational Awareness | Additional |
| A0118 | Ability to understand technology, management, and leadership issues related to organization processes and problem solving. | Organizational Awareness | Additional |

| KSA ID | Description | Competency | Importance to Work Role |
|---------------|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| A0119 | Ability to understand the basic concepts and issues related to cyber and its organizational impact. | Organizational Awareness | Additional |
| K0146 | Knowledge of the organization's core business/mission processes. | Organizational Awareness | Additional |
| A0033 | Ability to develop policy, plans, and strategy in compliance with laws, regulations, policies, and standards in support of organizational cyber activities. | Policy Management | Additional |
| A0028 | Ability to assess and forecast manpower requirements to meet organizational objectives. | Strategic Planning | Additional |
| K0028 | Knowledge of organization's evaluation and validation requirements. | Systems Testing and Evaluation | Additional |
| K0089 | Knowledge of systems diagnostic tools and fault identification techniques. | Systems Testing and Evaluation | Additional |
| K0624 | Knowledge of Application Security Risks (e.g. Open Web Application Security Project Top 10 list) | Vulnerabilities Assessment | Additional |
| K0013 | Knowledge of cyber defense and vulnerability assessment tools and their capabilities. | Vulnerabilities Assessment | Additional |
| K0040 | Knowledge of vulnerability information dissemination sources (e.g., alerts, advisories, errata, and bulletins). | Vulnerabilities Assessment | Additional |
| K0070 | Knowledge of system and application security threats and vulnerabilities (e.g., buffer overflow, mobile code, cross-site scripting, Procedural Language/Structured Query Language [PL/SQL] and injections, race conditions, covert channel, replay, return-oriented attacks, malicious code). | Vulnerabilities Assessment | Additional |
| K0342 | Knowledge of penetration testing principles, tools, and techniques. | Vulnerabilities Assessment | Additional |

1.4 CORE COMPETENCIES

The table below is a compilation of competencies aligned to the 611-Authorizing Official/Designating Representative work role, and their associated importance. Listed competencies are collections of three or more similar Knowledge, Skills, or Abilities aligned to the Work Role. *These competencies originate from the [NICE Framework Competency Pivot Tool](#).*

Table 4. 611- Authorizing Official/Designating Representative Core Competencies

| Technical Competency | Comp . ID | Definition | Work Role Related KSAs | Importance |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---|---|------------|
| Data Privacy and Protection | C014 | Relationship between the collection and dissemination of data, technology, the public expectation of privacy, legal and political issues surrounding them | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Knowledge of Personally Identifiable Information (PII) data security standards. [K0260] - Knowledge of Personal Health Information (PHI) data security standards. [K0262] - Ability to work across departments and business units to implement organization’s privacy principles and programs and align privacy objectives with security objectives. [A0111] - Knowledge of Payment Card Industry (PCI) data security standards. [K0261] | Core |
| Information Assurance | C022 | Methods and procedures that protect information systems and data by ensuring their availability, authentication, confidentiality, and integrity. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Knowledge of security models (e.g., Bell-LaPadula model, Biba integrity model, Clark-Wilson integrity model). [K0203] - Knowledge of organization's enterprise information security architecture. [K0101] - Ability to apply cybersecurity and privacy principles to organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). [A0123] - Knowledge of confidentiality, integrity, and availability principles. [K0295] - Knowledge of Security Assessment and Authorization process. [K0037] - Knowledge of current industry methods for evaluating, implementing, and disseminating information technology (IT) security assessment, monitoring, detection, and remediation tools and procedures utilizing standards-based concepts and capabilities. [K0054] - Skill to apply cybersecurity and privacy principles to organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). [S0367] - Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles and organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). [K0044] - Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles used to manage risks related to the use, processing, storage, and transmission of information or data. [K0038] | Core |

| Technical Competency | Comp . ID | Definition | Work Role Related KSAs | Importance |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|--|---|------------|
| Information Systems/Network Security | C024 | Methods, tools, and procedures, including development of information security plans to prevent information systems vulnerabilities and to provide or restore security of information systems and network services. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Skill in discerning the protection needs (i.e., security controls) of information systems and networks. [S0034] - Knowledge of network security architecture concepts including topology, protocols, components, and principles (e.g., application of defense-in-depth). [K0179] - Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles. [K0004] - Knowledge of information technology (IT) security principles and methods (e.g., firewalls, demilitarized zones, encryption). [K0049] | Core |
| Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence | C030 | Laws, regulations, policies, and ethics that can impact organizational activities. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Knowledge of laws, regulations, policies, and ethics as they relate to cybersecurity and privacy. [K0003] - Knowledge of laws, policies, procedures, or governance relevant to cybersecurity for critical infrastructures. [K0267] - Ability to interpret and apply laws, regulations, policies, and guidance relevant to organization cyber objectives. [A0094] - Knowledge of applicable laws, statutes (e.g., in Titles 10, 18, 32, 50 in U.S. Code), Presidential Directives, executive branch guidelines, and/or administrative/criminal legal guidelines and procedures. [K0168] | Core |
| Organizational Awareness | C037 | Understanding an organization's mission and functions, its social and political structure and how programs, policies, procedures, rules, and regulations drive and impact the work and objectives of the organization. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Knowledge of the organization's core business/mission processes. [K0146] - Ability to understand the basic concepts and issues related to cyber and its organizational impact. [A0119] - Ability to relate strategy, business, and technology in the context of organizational dynamics. [A0117] - Ability to understand technology, management, and leadership issues related to organization processes and problem solving. [A0118] | Core |
| Risk Management | C044 | Methods and tools used for risk assessment and mitigation of risk. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Knowledge of structured analysis principles and methods. [K0084] - Knowledge of risk management processes (e.g., methods for assessing and mitigating risk). [K0002] - Knowledge of information technology (IT) supply chain security and supply chain risk management policies, requirements, and procedures. [K0169] - Knowledge of Risk Management Framework (RMF) requirements. [K0048] | Core |

| Technical Competency | Comp . ID | Definition | Work Role Related KSAs | Importance |
|----------------------------|-----------|---|--|------------|
| Infrastructure Design | C026 | Architecture and typology of software, hardware, and networks, including LANS, WANS, and telecommunications systems, their components and associated protocols and standards, and how they operate and integrate with one another and with associated controlling software. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Knowledge of computer networking concepts and protocols, and network security methodologies. [K0001] - Knowledge of embedded systems. [K0322] - Knowledge of critical infrastructure systems with information communication technology that were designed without system security considerations. [K0170] | Additional |
| Vulnerabilities Assessment | C057 | Principles, methods, and tools for assessing vulnerabilities and developing or recommending appropriate mitigation countermeasures. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Knowledge of Application Security Risks (e.g. Open Web Application Security Project Top 10 list). [K0624] - Knowledge of system and application security threats and vulnerabilities (e.g., buffer overflow, mobile code, cross-site scripting, Procedural Language/Structured Query Language [PL/SQL] and injections, race conditions, covert channel, replay, return-oriented attacks, malicious code). [K0070] - Knowledge of specific operational impacts of cybersecurity lapses. [K0006] - Knowledge of cyber defense and vulnerability assessment tools and their capabilities. [K0013] - Knowledge of vulnerability information dissemination sources (e.g., alerts, advisories, errata, and bulletins). [K0040] - Knowledge of cyber threats and vulnerabilities. [K0005] - Knowledge of penetration testing principles, tools, and techniques. [K0342] | Additional |

1.5 SUGGESTED QUALIFICATIONS / CAPABILITY INDICATORS

Table 5. 611-Authorizing Official/Designating Representative Suggested Qualifications / Capability Indicators

For indicators of capability for the 611-Authorizing Official work role, please see [Draft NISTR 8193 - National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education \(NICE\) Framework Work Role Capability Indicators](#).

Section to be populated with updated DoD-8140 Qualification Matrix for 611-Authorizing Official.

2 APPENDIX: 611-AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL/DESIGNATING REPRESENTATIVE TASK ANALYSIS AND KSA MAPPING

2.1 KEY TO READING THE TASK ANALYSIS AND KSA MAPPING

Table 6. Key to Reading the Task Analysis and KSA Mapping

| Proficiency | Task Statement | Importance |
|--------------|--|---------------------------------|
| As Written | Task as written within the NICE Cybersecurity Workforce Framework (NICE Framework). | Overall Importance to Work Role |
| Entry | <i>Example behavioral indicator / task permutation for performing this task at an Entry skills proficiency level.</i> | |
| Intermediate | <i>Example behavioral indicator / task permutation for performing this task at an Intermediate skills proficiency level.</i> | |
| Advanced | <i>Example behavioral indicator / task permutation for performing this task at an Advanced skills proficiency level.</i> | |

Table 7. Primary Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities Required to Perform the above Task

| KSA ID | Description | Competency |
|------------------|---|---|
| ID of K, S, or A | Knowledge, Skill or Ability needed to perform the task as written within the NICE Framework | Competency mapped to the individual K, S, or A. |

2.2 611- AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL/DESIGNATING REPRESENTATIVE TASK ANALYSIS AND KSA MAPPING

Table 8. T0145 Task Analysis

| Proficiency | Task Statement | Importance |
|-----------------------------|--|------------|
| As Written within Framework | Manage and approve Accreditation Packages (e.g., ISO/IEC 15026-2). | Core |
| Entry | <i>Review accreditation packages and make accreditation recommendation.</i> | |
| Intermediate | <i>Manage and approve Accreditation Packages (e.g., ISO/IEC 15026-2).</i> | |
| Advanced | <i>Manage and approve Accreditation Packages (e.g., ISO/IEC 15026-2) and make recommendations for improvement in the packages.</i> | |

Table 9. Primary Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities Required to Perform the above Task

| KSA ID | Description | Competency |
|--------|---|--------------------------------------|
| K0260 | Knowledge of Personally Identifiable Information (PII) data security standards. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| K0262 | Knowledge of Personal Health Information (PHI) data security standards. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| A0111 | Ability to work across departments and business units to implement organization's privacy principles and programs, and align privacy objectives with security objectives. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| K0622 | Knowledge of controls related to the use, processing, storage, and transmission of data. | Database Administration |
| K0101 | Knowledge of the organization's enterprise information technology (IT) goals and objectives. | Enterprise Architecture |
| K0027 | Knowledge of organization's enterprise information security architecture. | Information Assurance |
| K0037 | Knowledge of Security Assessment and Authorization process. | Information Assurance |
| K0038 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles used to manage risks related to the use, processing, storage, and transmission of information or data. | Information Assurance |
| K0044 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles and organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance |
| K0054 | Knowledge of current industry methods for evaluating, implementing, and disseminating information technology (IT) security assessment, monitoring, detection, and remediation tools and procedures utilizing standards-based concepts and capabilities. | Information Assurance |
| K0295 | Knowledge of confidentiality, integrity, and availability principles. | Information Assurance |
| S0367 | Skill to apply cybersecurity and privacy principles to organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance |
| A0123 | Ability to apply cybersecurity and privacy principles to organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance |
| K0004 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles. | Information Systems/Network Security |
| K0179 | Knowledge of network security architecture concepts including topology, protocols, components, and principles (e.g., application of defense-in-depth). | Information Systems/Network Security |
| S0034 | Skill in discerning the protection needs (i.e., security controls) of information systems and networks. | Information Systems/Network Security |
| A0170 | Ability to identify critical infrastructure systems with information communication technology that were designed without system security considerations. | Information Technology Assessment |
| K0001 | Knowledge of computer networking concepts and protocols, and network security methodologies. | Infrastructure Design |
| K0170 | Knowledge of critical infrastructure systems with information communication technology that were designed without system security considerations. | Infrastructure Design |

| KSA ID | Description | Competency |
|--------|---|--------------------------------------|
| K0322 | Knowledge of embedded systems. | Infrastructure Design |
| K0003 | Knowledge of laws, regulations, policies, and ethics as they relate to cybersecurity and privacy. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| K0168 | Knowledge of applicable laws, statutes (e.g., in Titles 10, 18, 32, 50 in U.S. Code), Presidential Directives, executive branch guidelines, and/or administrative/criminal legal guidelines and procedures. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| K0267 | Knowledge of laws, policies, procedures, or governance relevant to cybersecurity for critical infrastructures. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| A0094 | Ability to interpret and apply laws, regulations, policies, and guidance relevant to organization cyber objectives. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| A0077 | Ability to coordinate cyber operations with other organization functions or support activities. | Operations Support |
| K0146 | Knowledge of the organization's core business/mission processes. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0117 | Ability to relate strategy, business, and technology in the context of organizational dynamics. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0118 | Ability to understand technology, management, and leadership issues related to organization processes and problem solving. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0119 | Ability to understand the basic concepts and issues related to cyber and its organizational impact. | Organizational Awareness |
| K0002 | Knowledge of risk management processes (e.g., methods for assessing and mitigating risk). | Risk Management |
| K0048 | Knowledge of Risk Management Framework (RMF) requirements. | Risk Management |
| K0084 | Knowledge of structured analysis principles and methods. | Risk Management |
| K0169 | Knowledge of information technology (IT) supply chain security and supply chain risk management policies, requirements, and procedures. | Risk Management |
| K0028 | Knowledge of organization's evaluation and validation requirements. | Systems Testing and Evaluation |
| K0059 | Knowledge of new and emerging information technology (IT) and cybersecurity technologies. | Technology Awareness |
| K0005 | Knowledge of cyber threats and vulnerabilities. | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0006 | Knowledge of specific operational impacts of cybersecurity lapses. | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0070 | Knowledge of system and application security threats and vulnerabilities (e.g., buffer overflow, mobile code, cross-site scripting, Procedural Language/Structured Query Language [PL/SQL] and injections, race conditions, covert channel, replay, return-oriented attacks, malicious code). | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0342 | Knowledge of penetration testing principles, tools, and techniques. | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0624 | Knowledge of Application Security Risks (e.g. Open Web Application Security Project Top 10 list) | Vulnerabilities Assessment |

Table 10. T0221 Task Analysis

| Proficiency | Task Statement | Importance |
|-----------------------------|--|------------|
| As Written within Framework | Review authorization and assurance documents to confirm that the level of risk is within acceptable limits for each software application, system, and network. | Core |
| Entry | <i>Support the review of authorization and assurance documents to confirm that the level of risk is within acceptable limits for each software application, system, and network.</i> | |
| Intermediate | <i>Review authorization and assurance documents to confirm that the level of risk is within acceptable limits for each software application, system, and network.</i> | |
| Advanced | <i>Lead reviewers of authorization and assurance documents to confirm that the level of risk is within acceptable limits for each software application, system, and network.</i> | |

Table 11. Primary Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities Required to Perform the above Task

| KSA ID | Description | Competency |
|--------|---|--------------------------------------|
| K0260 | Knowledge of Personally Identifiable Information (PII) data security standards. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| K0262 | Knowledge of Personal Health Information (PHI) data security standards. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| A0111 | Ability to work across departments and business units to implement organization's privacy principles and programs, and align privacy objectives with security objectives. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| K0622 | Knowledge of controls related to the use, processing, storage, and transmission of data. | Database Administration |
| K0101 | Knowledge of the organization's enterprise information technology (IT) goals and objectives. | Enterprise Architecture |
| K0027 | Knowledge of organization's enterprise information security architecture. | Information Assurance |
| K0037 | Knowledge of Security Assessment and Authorization process. | Information Assurance |
| K0038 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles used to manage risks related to the use, processing, storage, and transmission of information or data. | Information Assurance |
| K0044 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles and organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance |
| K0054 | Knowledge of current industry methods for evaluating, implementing, and disseminating information technology (IT) security assessment, monitoring, detection, and remediation tools and procedures utilizing standards-based concepts and capabilities. | Information Assurance |
| K0295 | Knowledge of confidentiality, integrity, and availability principles. | Information Assurance |
| S0367 | Skill to apply cybersecurity and privacy principles to organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance |
| A0123 | Ability to apply cybersecurity and privacy principles to organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance |
| K0004 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles. | Information Systems/Network Security |
| K0179 | Knowledge of network security architecture concepts including topology, protocols, components, and principles (e.g., application of defense-in-depth). | Information Systems/Network Security |
| S0034 | Skill in discerning the protection needs (i.e., security controls) of information systems and networks. | Information Systems/Network Security |
| A0170 | Ability to identify critical infrastructure systems with information communication technology that were designed without system security considerations. | Information Technology Assessment |
| K0001 | Knowledge of computer networking concepts and protocols, and network security methodologies. | Infrastructure Design |
| K0170 | Knowledge of critical infrastructure systems with information communication technology that were designed without system security considerations. | Infrastructure Design |
| K0322 | Knowledge of embedded systems. | Infrastructure Design |

| KSA ID | Description | Competency |
|--------|---|--------------------------------------|
| K0168 | Knowledge of applicable laws, statutes (e.g., in Titles 10, 18, 32, 50 in U.S. Code), Presidential Directives, executive branch guidelines, and/or administrative/criminal legal guidelines and procedures. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| K0267 | Knowledge of laws, policies, procedures, or governance relevant to cybersecurity for critical infrastructures. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| A0077 | Ability to coordinate cyber operations with other organization functions or support activities. | Operations Support |
| K0146 | Knowledge of the organization's core business/mission processes. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0117 | Ability to relate strategy, business, and technology in the context of organizational dynamics. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0118 | Ability to understand technology, management, and leadership issues related to organization processes and problem solving. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0119 | Ability to understand the basic concepts and issues related to cyber and its organizational impact. | Organizational Awareness |
| K0002 | Knowledge of risk management processes (e.g., methods for assessing and mitigating risk). | Risk Management |
| K0048 | Knowledge of Risk Management Framework (RMF) requirements. | Risk Management |
| K0084 | Knowledge of structured analysis principles and methods. | Risk Management |
| K0169 | Knowledge of information technology (IT) supply chain security and supply chain risk management policies, requirements, and procedures. | Risk Management |
| K0028 | Knowledge of organization's evaluation and validation requirements. | Systems Testing and Evaluation |
| K0059 | Knowledge of new and emerging information technology (IT) and cybersecurity technologies. | Technology Awareness |
| K0005 | Knowledge of cyber threats and vulnerabilities. | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0006 | Knowledge of specific operational impacts of cybersecurity lapses. | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0070 | Knowledge of system and application security threats and vulnerabilities (e.g., buffer overflow, mobile code, cross-site scripting, Procedural Language/Structured Query Language [PL/SQL] and injections, race conditions, covert channel, replay, return-oriented attacks, malicious code). | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0342 | Knowledge of penetration testing principles, tools, and techniques. | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0624 | Knowledge of Application Security Risks (e.g. Open Web Application Security Project Top 10 list) | Vulnerabilities Assessment |

Table 12. T0371 Task Analysis

| Proficiency | Task Statement | Importance |
|-----------------------------|---|------------|
| As Written within Framework | Establish acceptable limits for the software application, network, or system. | Core |
| Entry | Recommend acceptable limits for the software application, network, or system. | |
| Intermediate | Establish acceptable limits for the software application, network, or system. | |
| Advanced | Continuously refine acceptable limits for the software application, network, or system. | |

Table 13. Primary Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities Required to Perform the above Task

| KSA ID | Description | Competency |
|--------|---|--------------------------------------|
| K0126 | Knowledge of Supply Chain Risk Management Practices (NIST SP 800-161) | Contracting/Procurement |
| K0261 | Knowledge of Payment Card Industry (PCI) data security standards. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| K0262 | Knowledge of Personal Health Information (PHI) data security standards. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| A0111 | Ability to work across departments and business units to implement organization's privacy principles and programs, and align privacy objectives with security objectives. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| K0622 | Knowledge of controls related to the use, processing, storage, and transmission of data. | Database Administration |
| K0019 | Knowledge of cryptography and cryptographic key management concepts | Encryption |
| K0027 | Knowledge of organization's enterprise information security architecture. | Information Assurance |
| K0037 | Knowledge of Security Assessment and Authorization process. | Information Assurance |
| K0044 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles and organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance |
| K0054 | Knowledge of current industry methods for evaluating, implementing, and disseminating information technology (IT) security assessment, monitoring, detection, and remediation tools and procedures utilizing standards-based concepts and capabilities. | Information Assurance |
| K0203 | Knowledge of security models (e.g., Bell-LaPadula model, Biba integrity model, Clark-Wilson integrity model). | Information Assurance |
| K0295 | Knowledge of confidentiality, integrity, and availability principles. | Information Assurance |
| A0123 | Ability to apply cybersecurity and privacy principles to organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance |
| K0004 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles. | Information Systems/Network Security |
| K0049 | Knowledge of information technology (IT) security principles and methods (e.g., firewalls, demilitarized zones, encryption). | Information Systems/Network Security |
| S0034 | Skill in discerning the protection needs (i.e., security controls) of information systems and networks. | Information Systems/Network Security |
| K0001 | Knowledge of computer networking concepts and protocols, and network security methodologies. | Infrastructure Design |
| K0170 | Knowledge of critical infrastructure systems with information communication technology that were designed without system security considerations. | Infrastructure Design |
| K0003 | Knowledge of laws, regulations, policies, and ethics as they relate to cybersecurity and privacy. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| K0168 | Knowledge of applicable laws, statutes (e.g., in Titles 10, 18, 32, 50 in U.S. Code), Presidential Directives, executive branch guidelines, and/or administrative/criminal legal guidelines and procedures. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| K0267 | Knowledge of laws, policies, procedures, or governance relevant to cybersecurity for critical infrastructures. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |

| KSA ID | Description | Competency |
|--------|---|--------------------------------------|
| A0094 | Ability to interpret and apply laws, regulations, policies, and guidance relevant to organization cyber objectives. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| K0146 | Knowledge of the organization's core business/mission processes. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0117 | Ability to relate strategy, business, and technology in the context of organizational dynamics. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0118 | Ability to understand technology, management, and leadership issues related to organization processes and problem solving. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0119 | Ability to understand the basic concepts and issues related to cyber and its organizational impact. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0033 | Ability to develop policy, plans, and strategy in compliance with laws, regulations, policies, and standards in support of organizational cyber activities. | Policy Management |
| K0169 | Knowledge of information technology (IT) supply chain security and supply chain risk management policies, requirements, and procedures. | Risk Management |
| K0028 | Knowledge of organization's evaluation and validation requirements. | Systems Testing and Evaluation |
| K0089 | Knowledge of systems diagnostic tools and fault identification techniques. | Systems Testing and Evaluation |
| K0059 | Knowledge of new and emerging information technology (IT) and cybersecurity technologies. | Technology Awareness |
| K0005 | Knowledge of cyber threats and vulnerabilities. | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0040 | Knowledge of vulnerability information dissemination sources (e.g., alerts, advisories, errata, and bulletins). | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0070 | Knowledge of system and application security threats and vulnerabilities (e.g., buffer overflow, mobile code, cross-site scripting, Procedural Language/Structured Query Language [PL/SQL] and injections, race conditions, covert channel, replay, return-oriented attacks, malicious code). | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0342 | Knowledge of penetration testing principles, tools, and techniques. | Vulnerabilities Assessment |

Table 14. T0495 Task Analysis

| Proficiency | Task Statement | Importance |
|-----------------------------|---|------------|
| As Written within Framework | Manage Accreditation Packages (e.g., ISO/IEC 15026-2). | Core |
| Entry | Assist in management of Accreditation Packages (e.g., ISO/IEC 15026-2). | |
| Intermediate | Manage Accreditation Packages (e.g., ISO/IEC 15026-2). | |
| Advanced | Lead those managing Accreditation Packages (e.g., ISO/IEC 15026-2). | |

Table 15. Primary Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities Required to Perform the above Task

| KSA ID | Description | Competency |
|--------|---|--------------------------------------|
| K0126 | Knowledge of Supply Chain Risk Management Practices (NIST SP 800-161) | Contracting/Procurement |
| K0261 | Knowledge of Payment Card Industry (PCI) data security standards. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| K0262 | Knowledge of Personal Health Information (PHI) data security standards. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| A0111 | Ability to work across departments and business units to implement organization's privacy principles and programs, and align privacy objectives with security objectives. | Data Privacy and Protection |
| K0622 | Knowledge of controls related to the use, processing, storage, and transmission of data. | Database Administration |
| K0019 | Knowledge of cryptography and cryptographic key management concepts | Encryption |
| K0027 | Knowledge of organization's enterprise information security architecture. | Information Assurance |
| K0037 | Knowledge of Security Assessment and Authorization process. | Information Assurance |
| K0044 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles and organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance |
| K0054 | Knowledge of current industry methods for evaluating, implementing, and disseminating information technology (IT) security assessment, monitoring, detection, and remediation tools and procedures utilizing standards-based concepts and capabilities. | Information Assurance |
| K0203 | Knowledge of security models (e.g., Bell-LaPadula model, Biba integrity model, Clark-Wilson integrity model). | Information Assurance |
| K0295 | Knowledge of confidentiality, integrity, and availability principles. | Information Assurance |
| A0123 | Ability to apply cybersecurity and privacy principles to organizational requirements (relevant to confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, non-repudiation). | Information Assurance |
| K0004 | Knowledge of cybersecurity and privacy principles. | Information Systems/Network Security |
| K0049 | Knowledge of information technology (IT) security principles and methods (e.g., firewalls, demilitarized zones, encryption). | Information Systems/Network Security |
| S0034 | Skill in discerning the protection needs (i.e., security controls) of information systems and networks. | Information Systems/Network Security |
| K0001 | Knowledge of computer networking concepts and protocols, and network security methodologies. | Infrastructure Design |
| K0170 | Knowledge of critical infrastructure systems with information communication technology that were designed without system security considerations. | Infrastructure Design |
| K0003 | Knowledge of laws, regulations, policies, and ethics as they relate to cybersecurity and privacy. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| K0168 | Knowledge of applicable laws, statutes (e.g., in Titles 10, 18, 32, 50 in U.S. Code), Presidential Directives, executive branch guidelines, and/or administrative/criminal legal guidelines and procedures. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| K0267 | Knowledge of laws, policies, procedures, or governance relevant to cybersecurity for critical infrastructures. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |

| KSA ID | Description | Competency |
|--------|---|--------------------------------------|
| A0094 | Ability to interpret and apply laws, regulations, policies, and guidance relevant to organization cyber objectives. | Legal, Government, and Jurisprudence |
| K0146 | Knowledge of the organization's core business/mission processes. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0117 | Ability to relate strategy, business, and technology in the context of organizational dynamics. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0118 | Ability to understand technology, management, and leadership issues related to organization processes and problem solving. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0119 | Ability to understand the basic concepts and issues related to cyber and its organizational impact. | Organizational Awareness |
| A0033 | Ability to develop policy, plans, and strategy in compliance with laws, regulations, policies, and standards in support of organizational cyber activities. | Policy Management |
| K0169 | Knowledge of information technology (IT) supply chain security and supply chain risk management policies, requirements, and procedures. | Risk Management |
| K0028 | Knowledge of organization's evaluation and validation requirements. | Systems Testing and Evaluation |
| K0089 | Knowledge of systems diagnostic tools and fault identification techniques. | Systems Testing and Evaluation |
| K0059 | Knowledge of new and emerging information technology (IT) and cybersecurity technologies. | Technology Awareness |
| K0005 | Knowledge of cyber threats and vulnerabilities. | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0040 | Knowledge of vulnerability information dissemination sources (e.g., alerts, advisories, errata, and bulletins). | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0070 | Knowledge of system and application security threats and vulnerabilities (e.g., buffer overflow, mobile code, cross-site scripting, Procedural Language/Structured Query Language [PL/SQL] and injections, race conditions, covert channel, replay, return-oriented attacks, malicious code). | Vulnerabilities Assessment |
| K0342 | Knowledge of penetration testing principles, tools, and techniques. | Vulnerabilities Assessment |