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IT-Compliance in China

Multiple New Regulations

In China, the political context is having an ever-greater impact on companies. The intensified political shaping is reflected in a greatly increased regulatory dynamic. Noncompliance is resulting in increased fines and the threat of a possible public blacklisting of companies in the Corporate Social Credit System.

Companies operating in China should put their focus on reviewing IT systems and data handling to ensure compliance with Chinese standards and prevent violations of current regulations.



Tougher Demands

The mandatory Multi-Level Protection Scheme (MLPS 2.0) remains a key compliance requirement under China's Cyber Security Law. Since 2024, companies classified as Critical Information Infrastructure Operators (CIIOs) must now undergo enhanced security assessments and risk evaluations. Additionally, cross-border data transfers are subject to stricter review processes by the CAC.

In addition to the MLPS-regulations, the Cyber Security Law and various directives also contain regulations on the protection of personal information and important data.

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Examination of New Legislations

- Cyber Security Law (CSL)
- Data Security Law (DSL), draft
- Personal Information
 Protection Law (PIPL), draft
- National Security Law (NSL)
- Export Control Law (ECL)
- Regulations on the Supervision and Protection of Critical Data

Implementation MLPS 2.0

- Determination of the security level of the information systems
- Preparation and submission of documents for reporting the security level to the authorities
- Gap analysis, comparison of the current situation with the corresponding legal requirements
- Preparation of an individual adaptation plan
- Safety assessment by certified Chinese auditors
- Deposit of the assessment with the public safety authority

Data Protection and Transfer

- Analysis of systems with a focus on data transfer software
- Review of relevant regulations
- Establishment of a management system for data protection compliance
- Court-compliant documentation
- Creation of a contingency plan



FAST FACTS

Regulatory Developments in 2024-2025

China introduced three major laws on cyber and data security, four new rules for CIIOs, four regulations on personal data protection, and five measures on cross-border data transfers. Stricter enforcement and oversight require companies to reassess their IT compliance strategies..

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