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Master Asset Register

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A Practical Implementation Guide

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1. Purpose

The Master Asset Register is the authoritative inventory of the organization's business assets. It establishes a single source of truth for the assets that enable the organization to operate and supports governance, risk management, cybersecurity, business continuity, and compliance.

2. Why This Resource Matters

You cannot protect, manage, or recover assets that have not been identified. A complete asset register provides visibility into business systems, information, cloud services, vendors, facilities, business processes, and critical personnel.

3. When to Use This Resource

Use this register when implementing a new GRC program, onboarding new technology, conducting risk assessments, planning disaster recovery, preparing for audits, or reviewing assets during the Monthly GRC Heartbeat™.

4. How to Use This Resource

Begin by identifying your most critical assets. Record ownership, location, criticality, and business purpose. Update the register whenever significant business or technology changes occur.

5. Recommended Asset Categories

- Information Assets
- Hardware
- Software
- Cloud Services
- Third-Party Vendors
- Business Processes
- Facilities

• Personnel
• AI Systems

6. Recommended Register Fields

Asset ID, Asset Name, Category, Business Owner, Technical Owner, Department, Location, Criticality, Confidentiality, Integrity, Availability, Recovery Priority, Related Risks, Compliance Requirements, Notes.

7. Best Practices

Review the register monthly, assign ownership to every asset, remove retired assets, and use consistent naming conventions.

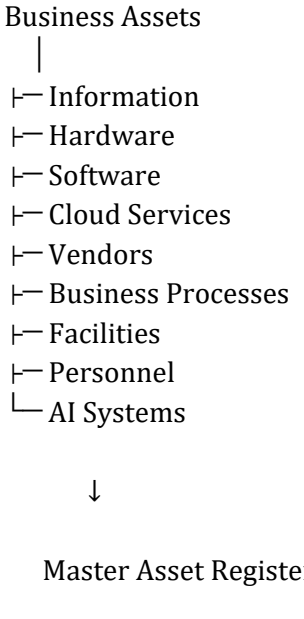
8. Common Mistakes

Common mistakes include tracking only IT assets, ignoring SaaS platforms, failing to identify owners, and allowing the register to become outdated.

9. Related Resources

F-002 – Unified System Security Plan
R-001 – Enterprise Risk Register
G-002 – Monthly GRC Heartbeat™ Checklist

Figure 1. Business Asset Categories



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