



# SYSTEM INTEGRITY

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## DESCRIPTION

It is in the interest of the College of Architecture Information Technology Services and Texas A&M University to preserve the integrity of logical security controls and software-based security measures on Texas A&M-owned devices. This control outlines explicit policies intended to ensure that system integrity.

## APPLICABILITY

This control applies to all workstations belonging to Texas A&M University in the College of Architecture.

A **workstation** is currently defined as:

- A computing device running a non-"mobile" operating system (including, but not limited to, Windows, macOS, or an approved distribution of Linux).

## IMPLEMENTATION

1. All **workstations** must not have their hardware modified or tampered with in any way unless performed by an Information Technology Services technician.
  - 1.1. Hardware is frequently used as a "device signature" to define licensing thresholds for various software. Changing hardware will often change the device signature, potentially invalidating a license.
2. **Workstations** are not permitted to have their operating system installed, wiped, reloaded, or exchanged for an alternative operating system except by authorized Information Technology Services technicians.