

BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN **COMPLIANCE** & **SECURITY**

COMPLIANCE PROVES YOU **HAVE CONTROLS.**
SECURITY PROVES **THEY WORK.**

COMPLIANCE AND SECURITY ARE **NOT** THE SAME THING



Compliance Asks:

Was the control implemented?

Security Asks:

Does the control stop attacks?

— THOSE ARE VERY DIFFERENT QUESTIONS. —

COMPLIANCE FOCUSES ON EVIDENCE

Policies

Procedures

Documentation

Audit Records

SECURITY FOCUSES ON EFFECTIVENESS

Can attackers bypass MFA?

Can users be phished?

Can privilege escalation occur?

Can lateral movement happen?

Compliance verifies
that controls exist.

— It doesn't test real attacks. —

Security measures
outcomes.

— Not Documentation. —

WHY THE GAP EXISTS

Organizations often prioritize:

Passing audits

Over:

Validating defenses

The Result?

A compliant environment with unknown security weaknesses.

THE COMPLIANCE-SECURITY GAP FRAMEWORK

COMPLIANCE



Control Implemented

Control Verified

SECURITY



Control Tested

Control Validated

Control Validated

Control Proven

THE GAP

WHAT REDUCES THE GAP?

Vulnerability Assessments

Penetration Testing

Red Team Exercises

Continuous Validation

Threat Exposure Management

FINAL THOUGHT

Compliance demonstrates effort.

Security demonstrates effectiveness.

Resilience requires both.

— THESE ACTIVITIES TEST WHETHER CONTROLS WORK IN REALITY. —

— DON'T JUST CHECK THE BOX. —

VALIDATE. STRENGTHEN. STAY AHEAD.

READY TO CLOSE THE GAP?

Let's Secure Your Organization



Book a Meeting