

GovRAMP & TX-RAMP

Understanding Alignment and Process

TX-RAMP / GovRAMP Partnership

- Partnered back in 2022 to help the vendor community verify once and serve many.
- Many changes since to ensure continued alignment and value
 - Updates to Manual
 - Changes to reciprocity process operationally
 - DIR and TX Cyber Command

Key Terms to Note

- There are some terminology differences across GovRAMP and TX-RAMP.
- Provisional Status
 - TX-RAMP:
 - Provisional Status provides a provisional product certification permitting a state agency to contract for the use of a product for up to 18 months before they must receive TX-RAMP certification.
 - However, this 18-month expiration does not apply if TX-RAMP Provisional is satisfied by GovRAMP.
 - GovRAMP:
 - Provisionally Authorized status is one step below Authorized may be assigned if the provider meets all Authorization requirements but leverages a cloud solution that has yet to achieve GovRAMP authorization.

Key Terms to Note

TX-RAMP	GovRAMP	Impact Level
Level 1	Low	Public/non-confidential information or low impact systems
Level 2	Moderate	Confidential/regulated data in moderate impact systems
	High	System processes, transmits, and/or stores foreign affairs information, federal critical infrastructure information, national security information, and/or global trade information

TX-RAMP Program Manual Changes

- Core has been added to the TX-RAMP Program Manual
- Ready has been elevated to a Level 2 Certification
- No changes to Progressing Snapshot or Authorized Statuses
- You can find the updated manual here: [Texas Risk and Authorization Program Manual 3.1 | Texas Department of Information Resources](#)

TX-RAMP to GovRAMP



*With this path, the 18-month limitation on the TX-RAMP Provisional status does not apply.

NOTE: If you have a TX-RAMP Provisional Status that is expiring you may transition to GovRAMP's Progressing Security Snapshot Program to maintain TX-RAMP Provisional Status.

Translating a GovRAMP Status to TX-RAMP

- No automatic reciprocity – you must complete the proper form to ensure your product is added (or remains) on the TX-RAMP list.
- Two form types:
 - [TX-RAMP Request Form](#)
 - [Status Change Request Form](#)
- Complete New Product Form if: your product has never been on the TX-RAMP list before.
- Complete Status Change Form if: your product has been on the TX-RAMP list before and you are either moving from one GovRAMP status to another or from a different verification to a GovRAMP status.

Timelines

- It typically takes 2 weeks' time to see your product reflected on the TX-RAMP list.
- If you don't see your Product after you complete the required form and have waited the time above, reach out to either your Cyber Solutions Specialist at GovRAMP or to DIR and we can follow up on your product's status.

DIR & TX Cyber Command



- The Texas Cyber Command was created by House Bill 150 in the last legislative session with an effective date of September 1st, 2025.
- Texas Government Code references have been updated to Chapter 2063 from 2054. Command is now responsible for the administration of the TX-RAMP Program.
- None of this legislation changes TAC 202 which requires state agencies contracting for certain cloud services be subject to TX-RAMP Certification.
- Additional program requirements can be found in the TX-RAMP Program Manual (link in resources below).

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