

SAM – INFORMATION SECURITY
(Office of Information Security)

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Information security means the protection of information and information systems, equipment, and people from a wide spectrum of threats and risks. Implementing appropriate security measures and controls to provide for the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information, regardless of its form (electronic, print, or other media) is critical to ensure business continuity and protection against unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction.

Government Code Section 11549 provides the Office of Information Security, within the California Technology Agency, with the responsibility and authority to create, issue, and maintain policies, standards, and procedures; direct state agencies to effectively manage security and risk; advise and consult with state agencies on security issues; and, ensure state agencies are in compliance with the requirements specified in the State Administrative Manual (SAM) Sections 5300 – 5399. These sections will continue to evolve as new policy is adopted.