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CLASSIFY

Separate established practice, candidate standard, reproduced result, vendor claim, implementation hypothesis, and open research.

EXPERIMENT

Declare baseline, configuration, uncertainty, scenario coverage, stop conditions, and independent reproduction before conclusions.

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Identity, policy, safety envelopes, physical boundaries, cryptographic authority, and human intervention limit consequence.

TRANSITION

Adoption, pilot, production, rollback, supplier exit, lifecycle, and retirement decisions remain evidence-bearing and reversible.

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INTERPRETATION AND ASSURANCE

How to apply this publication

Normative intent

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Vendor documentation and design intent are not equivalent to reproduced behavior. Record evidence grade and uncertainty.

Risk-proportional depth

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Normalized assessment scale

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ABSENT	AD HOC	PARTIAL	OPERATIONAL	ADVANCED	LEADING

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Thematic portfolio edition for coordinated emerging-technology evaluation.

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This thematic portfolio consolidates 9 permanent standards across emerging technology, quantum, and robotics.

- Individual standards remain the authoritative citable publications.

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Permanent Publication Register

OPERATING POSITION

MYTHOS-EMT-0001 - Emerging Technology Horizon Scanning, Experimentation, and Transition Standard

- MYTHOS-EMT-0005 - Decentralized Physical Infrastructure Network Research and Assurance Standard
- MYTHOS-EMT-0006 - 5G-Advanced and 6G Research Evaluation Standard
- MYTHOS-ROB-0001 - Robotics System Safety, Security, and Lifecycle Standard
- MYTHOS-ROB-0002 - Autonomous Decision, Planning, and Human Oversight Standard
- MYTHOS-ROB-0003 - Industrial Robotics, Collaborative Robot, and Cell Integration Standard
- MYTHOS-ROB-0004 - Mobile Robot, Drone, and Autonomous Fleet Operations Standard
- MYTHOS-ROB-0005 - Robot Perception, Sensor Fusion, and Simulation Assurance Standard
- MYTHOS-ROB-0006 - Embodied AI, Foundation Model, and Robot Skill Learning Standard

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Cross-Domain Invariants

OPERATING POSITION

Bound every claim by evidence state and exact configuration.

- Use an incumbent or classical comparator.
- Keep research authority isolated from production and physical control.
- Require safety, security, reproducibility, rollback, and supplier-exit gates.

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Permanent identity, evidence, exceptions, and revision discipline

- Document identity remains stable across revision and packaging.
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11. Source Authority and Reference Register

Primary sources informing interpretation; verify current status at assessment time

NIST CSF 2.0

Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.CSWP.29>

Enterprise governance and cybersecurity outcome framework.

NIST Integrated Photonics

Integrated Photonics Program and Metrology

<https://www.nist.gov/programs-projects/integrated-photonics>

Primary research and measurement work for heterogeneous integrated photonic devices.

NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-53r5>

Broad organizational control baseline for technology systems and services.

ITU-R M.2160

Framework and Overall Objectives for IMT-2030

<https://www.itu.int/rec/R-REC-M.2160-0-202311-I/en>

In-force framework for IMT-2030 objectives, use cases, and capabilities.

NIST PQC Project

Post-Quantum Cryptography Standardization and Migration

<https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/post-quantum-cryptography>

Final PQC standards, continuing algorithm work, migration direction, and official project status.

ETSI ISG PDL

Permissioned Distributed Ledger Specifications

<https://www.etsi.org/committee/pdl>

Primary technical work for governed distributed-ledger systems and decentralized trust.

IEEE P3706

Guide for Brain-Inspired Computing Technologies

<https://standards.ieee.org/ieee/3706/12098/>

Published guide describing brain-inspired computing technology options and terminology.

3GPP Release 20

5G-Advanced Studies and 6G Study Roadmap

<https://www.3gpp.org/specifications-technologies/releases/release-20>

Official release program separating continued 5G-Advanced work from initial 6G studies.

Source currency rule: authorities, specifications, laws, provider services, hardware, protocols, standards status, and research evidence MUST be checked at assessment time. This publication records a 2026-07-24 source snapshot.



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Portfolio sensing, research classification, experimentation, evidence, adoption gates, transition control, and retirement for emerging technologies.

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Navigation doctrine

Bookmarks and internal links are conveniences. Permanent document identity, criterion identifiers, evidence references, and revision history remain authoritative.

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0. Executive Mandate

Research value, transition discipline, and non-negotiable evidence boundaries

MANDATE

Organizations evaluating emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition **MUST** separate research from operational authority, establish a reproducible baseline, constrain safety and security consequence, disclose uncertainty, and require a documented transition or rejection decision.

Required outcomes

- Establish a durable, product-neutral evidence system for emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition.
- Prevent novelty, investment, vendor prestige, roadmap language, or laboratory success from substituting for operational proof.
- Require representative performance, adversarial, failure, recovery, safety, privacy, and lifecycle evidence.
- Keep pilots bounded by identity, authority, environment, duration, budget, stop conditions, and rollback.
- Preserve rejected alternatives, limitations, residual risk, source currency, and reassessment triggers.

Decision boundary: conformance supports a bounded engineering assurance position. It does not prove scientific consensus, regulatory approval, universal safety, quantum advantage, cryptographic perfection, autonomous competence, or commercial viability.

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1. Scope and Applicability

Research, pilot, transition, operational, and retirement boundaries

IN SCOPE

- Research, architecture, acquisition, experiment, pilot, transition, operation, and retirement of emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition.
- Hardware, software, models, data, protocols, facilities, people, suppliers, providers, physical processes, and evidence.
- Laboratory, simulation, testbed, shadow, pilot, canary, production, and field deployment states.
- Claims, benchmarks, uncertainty, safety, security, privacy, economics, interoperability, support, and exit.

OUT OF SCOPE

- Scientific truth inferred from a single benchmark, simulation, provider, hardware generation, or laboratory configuration.
- Safety, regulatory, export, spectrum, airspace, clinical, cryptographic, or standards approval not granted by the responsible authority.
- Roadmap forecasts, token price, patent counts, press releases, or investment treated as engineering evidence.
- Hidden production use of research components outside the declared transition and assurance boundary.

Applicability triggers

- The capability is novel, rapidly changing, weakly standardized, difficult to reproduce, or dependent on immature suppliers.
- A claim concerns safety, security, privacy, physical action, critical infrastructure, cryptographic trust, or consequential autonomy.
- The system requires specialized facilities, scarce hardware, spectrum, foundry, cryogenic, optical, robotics, or field-test dependencies.
- Failure or lock-in may create long-lived data, capital, infrastructure, workforce, or regulatory consequences.
- A research component is proposed for pilot, customer, production, public, or externally relied-upon use.

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2. Definitions and Taxonomy

Controlled language for architecture, governance, and assessment

AUTHORITY

The right to approve, deny, constrain, or execute an action. Model output is not authority.

EVIDENCE

A reproducible source, trace, measurement, test, record, signed artifact, or documented observation supporting a claim.

ASSURANCE VIEW

A defined perspective such as governance, architecture, security, operations, privacy, or human oversight.

ATOMIC CRITERION

A uniquely identified requirement that can be assessed, evidenced, excepted, and revised independently.

IMPLEMENTATION PROFILE

A risk-proportional set of required depth, evidence, and gates for a class of use.

CONTROLLED EXCEPTION

A time-bounded deviation with owner, rationale, compensating control, residual risk, expiration, and review trigger.

DETERMINISTIC MECHANISM

A component whose inputs, policy, state transition, and side effects can be constrained and verified.

SOURCE AUTHORITY

The documented basis for treating a source as reliable for a defined claim, context, jurisdiction, and time.

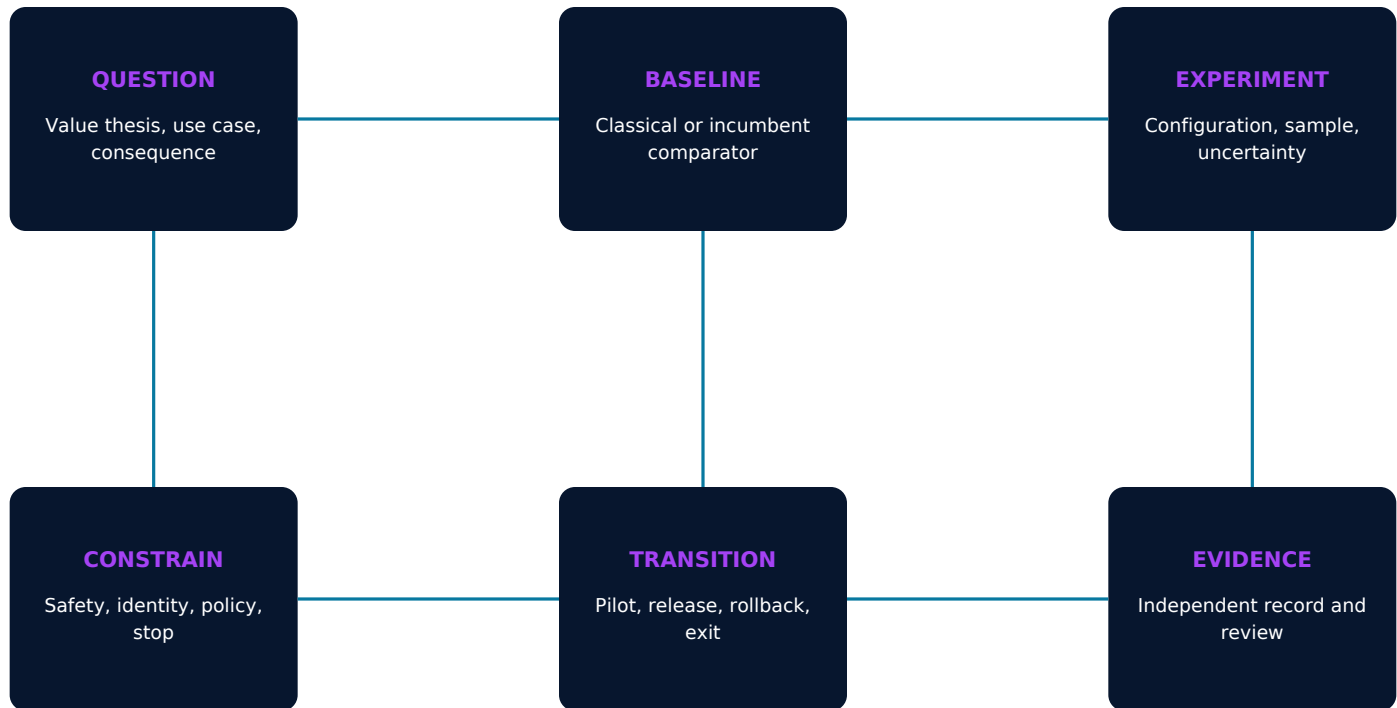
REASSESSMENT TRIGGER

A change, incident, drift signal, dependency revision, or time boundary requiring renewed evaluation.

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3. Architecture and Trust Model

Separation of research, authority, physical systems, runtime, and evidence



Mandatory trust boundaries

- Research systems **MUST NOT** inherit production identity, secrets, authority, data, networks, or physical control by convenience.
- Claims **MUST** retain the exact hardware, software, model, protocol, calibration, environment, workload, and observation boundary.
- Safety, cryptographic, physical, spectrum, autonomy, and human-intervention constraints **MUST** remain independently enforceable.
- Transition **MUST** have a named decision authority, acceptance criteria, monitored pilot, rollback, supplier exit, and retirement path.
- Evidence **MUST** remain reviewable when a vendor, cloud, token network, laboratory, model, robot, or quantum backend is unavailable.

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4. Governance and Accountability

Decision rights, separation of duties, and lifecycle ownership

ACCOUNTABLE OWNER

Accepts scope, risk tolerance, funding, and residual risk.

SYSTEM OWNER

Maintains architecture, inventory, operating boundaries, and change control.

SECURITY / PRIVACY

Defines threat, identity, data, isolation, monitoring, and incident requirements.

EVALUATION AUTHORITY

Designs representative tests, gates releases, and preserves reproducibility.

OPERATIONS

Maintains availability, rollback, recovery, evidence, and incident handling.

HUMAN OVERSIGHT

Reviews consequential decisions, exceptions, disputed outcomes, and harm signals.

DECISION PRINCIPLE

No single actor should be able to define the objective, grant authority, execute the consequential action, suppress evidence, and approve the result. Separation must be technical where consequence requires it.

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5. Normative Control System

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MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C01 Technology Thesis and Strategic Relevance

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain technology thesis and strategic relevance for the declared emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE technology thesis; source-currency review; sponsor, technical owner, and risk decision

MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C02 Source Authority and Research Currency

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MINIMUM EVIDENCE research-state classification; baseline; competing alternative; prohibited-claim register

MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C03 Readiness-Level and Evidence-State Classification

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MINIMUM EVIDENCE experiment plan; versions; configuration; sample; uncertainty; reproducibility bundle

MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C04 Intended Use, Consequence, and Prohibited Use

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain intended use, consequence, and prohibited use for the declared emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE security, privacy, safety, rights, export, spectrum, and supplier assessment

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MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C05

Named Sponsor, Technical Owner, and Risk Owner

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain named sponsor, technical owner, and risk owner for the declared emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE benchmark results with incumbent comparator, resource accounting, and limitations

MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C06

Research Environment and Production Separation

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain research environment and production separation for the declared emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE pilot boundary; identities; kill switch; stop conditions; rollback and exit exercise

MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C07

Reference Baseline and Competing Alternative

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain reference baseline and competing alternative for the declared emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE interoperability, standards, skills, support, lifecycle, and ecosystem evidence

MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C08

Reproducible Experiment Design and Configuration

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain reproducible experiment design and configuration for the declared emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE adoption or rejection record; residual risk; reassessment and sunset trigger

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Measurement Uncertainty and Statistical Validity

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MINIMUM EVIDENCE technology thesis; source-currency review; sponsor, technical owner, and risk decision

MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C10

Security, Privacy, Safety, and Rights Review

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain security, privacy, safety, and rights review for the declared emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE research-state classification; baseline; competing alternative; prohibited-claim register

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Supplier, Intellectual Property, and Export Constraints

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain supplier, intellectual property, and export constraints for the declared emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE experiment plan; versions; configuration; sample; uncertainty; reproducibility bundle

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Interoperability, Standards, and Ecosystem Maturity

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain interoperability, standards, and ecosystem maturity for the declared emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE security, privacy, safety, rights, export, spectrum, and supplier assessment

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MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C13**Operational Skills, Support, and Lifecycle Burden**

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MINIMUM EVIDENCE benchmark results with incumbent comparator, resource accounting, and limitations

MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C14**Cost, Energy, Capacity, and Sustainability Model**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain cost, energy, capacity, and sustainability model for the declared emerging-technology discovery, experimentation, and transition boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE pilot boundary; identities; kill switch; stop conditions; rollback and exit exercise

MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C15**Pilot Scope, Kill Switch, and Stop Conditions**

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MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C16**Transition Architecture and Backout Plan**

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MINIMUM EVIDENCE adoption or rejection record; residual risk; reassessment and sunset trigger

MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C17**Adoption Gate, Decision Record, and Residual Risk**

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MYTHOS-EMT-0001-C18**Reassessment, Sunset, and Evidence Preservation**

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6. Evidence and Assessment

Reproduce, compare, challenge, observe, recover, and trace

EXAMINE

Research papers, standards, designs, bills of material, protocols, source, models, data, calibration, configurations, contracts, and claims.

REPRODUCE

Repeat the experiment or assessment with captured versions, seeds, parameters, environment, uncertainty, and acceptance criteria.

COMPARE

Use an honest incumbent, classical, manual, or alternative baseline with equivalent outcome, data, scale, and resource accounting.

CHALLENGE

Apply adversarial input, environmental variation, dependency loss, fault injection, safety cases, security tests, and boundary conditions.

OBSERVE

Measure field or production-like quality, latency, energy, drift, physical behavior, interventions, failures, maintenance, and user impact.

TRACE

Link claim, authority, experiment, configuration, evidence, decision, pilot, change, incident, rollback, and reassessment.

Evidence grades

A

Independently reproduced, current, representative, uncertainty-bounded, integrity-protected, and operationally relevant.

B

Reproduced by the implementing organization with strong provenance, comparator, challenge, and declared limitations.

C

Partial, laboratory-only, simulation-heavy, inherited, or indirect evidence with material uncertainty and dependencies.

D

Roadmap, assertion, demonstration, benchmark excerpt, patent, token metric, press release, or vendor statement without...

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7. Assurance Views

Six perspectives required for a complete assurance claim

GOVERNANCE

Ownership, purpose, risk tolerance, policy, exception, and decision rights.

ARCHITECTURE

Boundaries, dependencies, failure modes, state, data flow, and portability.

SECURITY

Identity, authorization, isolation, secrets, abuse resistance, and incident response.

OPERATIONS

Reliability, performance, cost, observability, change, recovery, and support.

PRIVACY / RIGHTS

Purpose limitation, minimization, consent, access, correction, deletion, and egress.

HUMAN / SOCIETAL

Usability, accessibility, disclosure, contestability, impact, and human control.

Conformance requires a defensible position across every applicable view. A strong aggregate score cannot compensate for an unowned system, a failed mandatory gate, untested recovery, or evidence below the accepted grade.

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7.2 Evaluation Metrics and Decision Gates

Measures expose utility, uncertainty, safety, physical limits, transition cost, and lifecycle burden

UTILITY

Task outcome, comparator delta, coverage, quality, accuracy, mission success, and stakeholder value.

UNCERTAINTY

Confidence, calibration, variance, sample coverage, reproducibility, sensitivity, and unresolved assumptions.

PERFORMANCE

Latency, throughput, fidelity, range, precision, bandwidth, scale, density, and availability.

SAFETY / SECURITY

Hazard exposure, unsafe action, exploitability, spoofing, physical consequence, intervention, and containment.

RESOURCE

Energy, power, cooling, spectrum, shots, qubits, memory, materials, facility, operator, and maintenance demand.

MATURITY

Standards state, supply chain, interoperability, tooling, skills, support, qualification, and lifecycle readiness.

ECONOMICS

Acquisition, operation, provider, token, facility, migration, insurance, support, and opportunity cost.

TRANSITION

Pilot escape, rollback time, incumbent fallback, portability, lock-in, retirement, and evidence completeness.

Decision gate: thresholds **MUST** be declared before assessment, include an incumbent baseline and uncertainty statement, and identify any safety, security, cryptographic, physical, reproducibility, or rollback failure that blocks transition.

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8. Failure Modes and Adversarial Scenarios

Challenge assumptions before the system is trusted with consequential work

TECHNOLOGY THEATER

A demonstration or vendor roadmap is treated as proof of production utility or readiness.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

RESEARCH-TO-PRODUCTION ESCAPE

Experimental components enter consequential environments without transition controls.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

UNSUPPORTED SECURITY CLAIM

Novel cryptographic, decentralized, photonic, or network claims are adopted without reproducible evidence.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

ECOSYSTEM COLLAPSE

A supplier, foundry, protocol, token economy, or standards path fails before replacement is viable.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

MEASUREMENT ILLUSION

Benchmark, simulation, or laboratory conditions hide scale, environment, energy, or reliability limits.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

IRREVERSIBLE LOCK-IN

Data, skills, hardware, interfaces, capital, or operations cannot migrate when the technology stalls.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

Adversarial testing MUST protect people and production systems. Use isolated environments, synthetic or minimized data, bounded authority, kill switches, explicit legal and ethical review, and documented stop conditions.

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9. Implementation Profiles

Risk-proportional implementation without weakening mandatory boundaries

FOUNDATIONAL	ADVANCED	HIGH ASSURANCE
TYPICAL SCOPE Low consequence, limited autonomy, non-sensitive data, reversible outputs.	TYPICAL SCOPE Business-critical workflow, sensitive data, multiple tools or providers, moderate autonomy.	TYPICAL SCOPE Safety, security, regulated, financial, identity, or broadly consequential use.
MINIMUM DEPTH Named owner; inventory; basic evaluation; access control; logging; rollback; annual review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Formal threat model; representative evaluation; approval gates; isolated execution; tested recovery; quarterly review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Independent challenge; strongest identity; deterministic enforcement; comprehensive evidence; canary release; continuous monitoring.

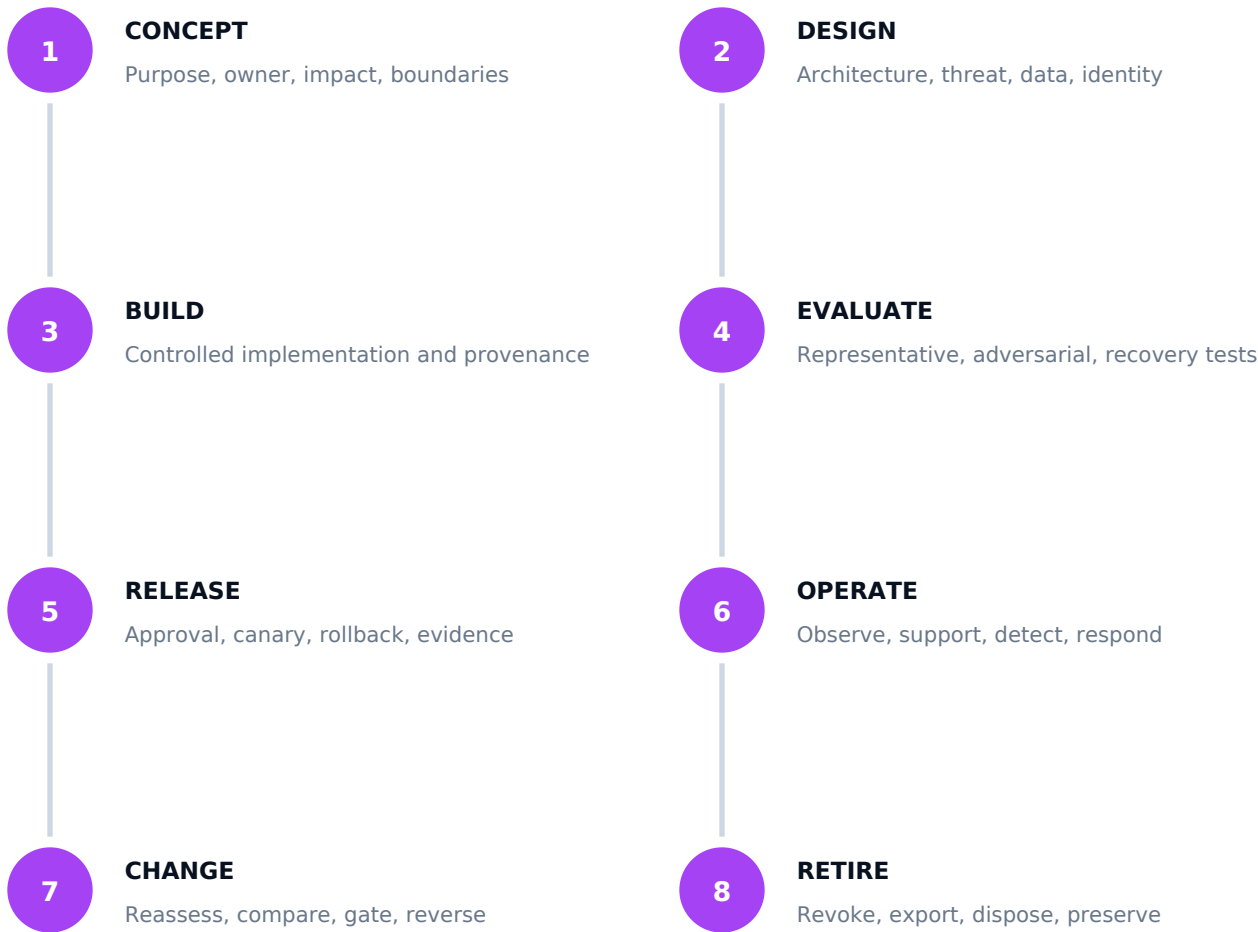
Profile selection rule

Choose the highest profile triggered by consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, scale, irreversibility, external dependency, or inability to rapidly detect and recover. Tailoring may strengthen controls; it may not erase a mandatory gate without a controlled exception.

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9.2 Operational Lifecycle

Evidence-bearing operation from concept through retirement



LIFECYCLE INVARIANT

Every stage **MUST** leave sufficient evidence for the next authority to understand what was intended, what changed, what was tested, what failed, what was accepted, what remains uncertain, and how to recover or exit.

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10. Adoption Roadmap

A sequenced path from uncontrolled capability to evidence-bearing operation

0-30 DAYS**Establish ownership and truth**

Inventory systems and dependencies; classify risk; freeze unsupported claims; identify immediate privilege, data, and evidence gaps.

31-90 DAYS**Create enforceable boundaries**

Define policy; isolate execution; implement identity and approval gates; establish representative evaluation and baseline telemetry.

3-6 MONTHS**Prove recovery and operating control**

Exercise failure, rollback, revocation, incident, provider exit, and state-recovery scenarios; mature evidence packaging.

6-12 MONTHS**Scale assurance**

Automate control checks; expand workload coverage; independent challenge; portfolio metrics; controlled exception expiry; continuous reassessment.

Adoption is complete only when operating evidence demonstrates the selected profile in the actual deployment context. Documentation alone is not conformance.

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10.2 Conformance and Exception Statement

What an assurance claim must contain

SYSTEM / SERVICE Named, versioned capability and deployment boundary.	PROFILE Foundational, Advanced, or High Assurance with trigger rationale.
SCOPE Workloads, users, data, tools, regions, providers, and exclusions.	CRITERIA Pass, partial, fail, not applicable, and exception status for every criterion.
EVIDENCE Artifact references, evidence grade, date, environment, and reproducibility.	LIMITATIONS Known failure modes, unsupported workloads, uncertainty, and residual risk.
EXCEPTIONS Owner, rationale, compensating control, expiration, and approval.	VALIDITY Assessment date, change boundary, review date, and reassessment triggers.

Prohibited claim: “compliant” without the named scope, profile, evidence date, limitations, exceptions, and authority accepting residual risk.

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11. Source Authority and Reference Register

Primary sources informing interpretation; verify current status at assessment time

NIST CSF 2.0

Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.CSWP.29>

Enterprise governance and cybersecurity outcome framework.

NIST Integrated Photonics

Integrated Photonics Program and Metrology

<https://www.nist.gov/programs-projects/integrated-photonics>

Primary research and measurement work for heterogeneous integrated photonic devices.

NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-53r5>

Broad organizational control baseline for technology systems and services.

ITU-R M.2160

Framework and Overall Objectives for IMT-2030

<https://www.itu.int/rec/R-REC-M.2160-0-202311-I/en>

In-force framework for IMT-2030 objectives, use cases, and capabilities.

NIST PQC Project

Post-Quantum Cryptography Standardization and Migration

<https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/post-quantum-cryptography>

Final PQC standards, continuing algorithm work, migration direction, and official project status.

ETSI ISG PDL

Permissioned Distributed Ledger Specifications

<https://www.etsi.org/committee/pdl>

Primary technical work for governed distributed-ledger systems and decentralized trust.

IEEE P3706

Guide for Brain-Inspired Computing Technologies

<https://standards.ieee.org/ieee/3706/12098/>

Published guide describing brain-inspired computing technology options and terminology.

3GPP Release 20

5G-Advanced Studies and 6G Study Roadmap

<https://www.3gpp.org/specifications-technologies/releases/release-20>

Official release program separating continued 5G-Advanced work from initial 6G studies.

Source currency rule: authorities, specifications, laws, provider services, hardware, protocols, standards status, and research evidence MUST be checked at assessment time. This publication records a 2026-07-24 source snapshot.

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11.2 Revision History and Decision Register

Permanent identity, controlled change, and publication integrity

VERSION	DATE	STATE	SUMMARY
1.0.0-candidate	2026-07-24	Candidate	Permanent-publication edition; source refresh; expanded criteria, evidence, assurance, and lifecycle guidance.
Next review	2027-01-24	Scheduled	Review source currency, threat evolution, operating evidence, adoption feedback, and proposed revisions.

Publication decisions

- PERMANENT IDENTITY** The document ID remains stable across revisions; batch or production sequence metadata is not public identity.
- CHANGE CONTROL** Normative changes require rationale, impact analysis, affected-criterion mapping, and approval.
- SUPERSESSION** A superseded edition remains traceable; current routes and catalogs identify the active edition.
- CORRECTION** Material errors require a recorded correction, affected-evidence analysis, and notification appropriate to impact.
- ARCHIVAL INTEGRITY** Published artifacts receive hashes, metadata, and a release manifest sufficient for independent verification.

END OF PERMANENT PUBLICATION / MYTHOS-EMT-0001

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Decentralized Physical Infrastructure Network Research and Assurance Standard

Physical-node identity, proof of service, measurement, incentives, governance, economics, privacy, Sybil resistance, resilience, and exit for DePIN systems.

PERMANENT DOCUMENT ID

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ASSURANCE PROFILE

Research / Pilot / Transition
High Assurance

PERMANENT PUBLICATION IDENTITY

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18 ATOMIC CRITERIA	6 ASSURANCE VIEWS	4 IMPLEMENTATION PROFILES	1 PERMANENT IDENTITY

Publication doctrine. This publication establishes durable requirements for its defined scope. Interpretation must preserve the permanent document identity, required evidence, controlled exceptions, source currency, and formal revision history.

EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND ASSURANCE TOPOLOGY

Emerging and Advanced Technology

A trustworthy decentralized physical infrastructure networks program is a governed path from research claim through baseline, experiment, safety and security challenge, transition decision, bounded operation, and preserved evidence.

CLASSIFY

Separate established practice, candidate standard, reproduced result, vendor claim, implementation hypothesis, and open research.

EXPERIMENT

Declare baseline, configuration, uncertainty, scenario coverage, stop conditions, and independent reproduction before conclusions.

CONSTRAIN

Identity, policy, safety envelopes, physical boundaries, cryptographic authority, and human intervention limit consequence.

TRANSITION

Adoption, pilot, production, rollback, supplier exit, lifecycle, and retirement decisions remain evidence-bearing and reversible.

EVIDENCE - BOUND TRANSITION FLOW



No novelty claim becomes an operational claim without reproduced evidence and an explicit authority decision

INTERPRETATION AND ASSURANCE

How to apply this publication

Normative intent

Requirements define outcomes and constraints. Implementations may vary, but evidence must demonstrate equivalent control.

Evidence over assertion

Vendor documentation and design intent are not equivalent to reproduced behavior. Record evidence grade and uncertainty.

Risk-proportional depth

Higher consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, and irreversibility require stronger isolation, review, verification, and recovery.

Controlled exception

Exceptions require an owner, rationale, compensating control, residual-risk acceptance, expiration, and reevaluation trigger.

Normalized assessment scale

0	1	2	3	4	5
ABSENT	AD HOC	PARTIAL	OPERATIONAL	ADVANCED	LEADING

A numeric score must never hide a failed mandatory gate, missing evidence, untested workload, or unacceptable residual risk.

INTERACTIVE NAVIGATION

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Navigation doctrine

Bookmarks and internal links are conveniences. Permanent document identity, criterion identifiers, evidence references, and revision history remain authoritative.

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0. Executive Mandate

Research value, transition discipline, and non-negotiable evidence boundaries

MANDATE

Organizations evaluating decentralized physical infrastructure networks **MUST** separate research from operational authority, establish a reproducible baseline, constrain safety and security consequence, disclose uncertainty, and require a documented transition or rejection decision.

Required outcomes

- Establish a durable, product-neutral evidence system for decentralized physical infrastructure networks.
- Prevent novelty, investment, vendor prestige, roadmap language, or laboratory success from substituting for operational proof.
- Require representative performance, adversarial, failure, recovery, safety, privacy, and lifecycle evidence.
- Keep pilots bounded by identity, authority, environment, duration, budget, stop conditions, and rollback.
- Preserve rejected alternatives, limitations, residual risk, source currency, and reassessment triggers.

Decision boundary: conformance supports a bounded engineering assurance position. It does not prove scientific consensus, regulatory approval, universal safety, quantum advantage, cryptographic perfection, autonomous competence, or commercial viability.

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1. Scope and Applicability

Research, pilot, transition, operational, and retirement boundaries

IN SCOPE

- Research, architecture, acquisition, experiment, pilot, transition, operation, and retirement of decentralized physical infrastructure networks.
- Hardware, software, models, data, protocols, facilities, people, suppliers, providers, physical processes, and evidence.
- Laboratory, simulation, testbed, shadow, pilot, canary, production, and field deployment states.
- Claims, benchmarks, uncertainty, safety, security, privacy, economics, interoperability, support, and exit.

OUT OF SCOPE

- Scientific truth inferred from a single benchmark, simulation, provider, hardware generation, or laboratory configuration.
- Safety, regulatory, export, spectrum, airspace, clinical, cryptographic, or standards approval not granted by the responsible authority.
- Roadmap forecasts, token price, patent counts, press releases, or investment treated as engineering evidence.
- Hidden production use of research components outside the declared transition and assurance boundary.

Applicability triggers

- The capability is novel, rapidly changing, weakly standardized, difficult to reproduce, or dependent on immature suppliers.
- A claim concerns safety, security, privacy, physical action, critical infrastructure, cryptographic trust, or consequential autonomy.
- The system requires specialized facilities, scarce hardware, spectrum, foundry, cryogenic, optical, robotics, or field-test dependencies.
- Failure or lock-in may create long-lived data, capital, infrastructure, workforce, or regulatory consequences.
- A research component is proposed for pilot, customer, production, public, or externally relied-upon use.

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2. Definitions and Taxonomy

Controlled language for architecture, governance, and assessment

AUTHORITY

The right to approve, deny, constrain, or execute an action. Model output is not authority.

EVIDENCE

A reproducible source, trace, measurement, test, record, signed artifact, or documented observation supporting a claim.

ASSURANCE VIEW

A defined perspective such as governance, architecture, security, operations, privacy, or human oversight.

ATOMIC CRITERION

A uniquely identified requirement that can be assessed, evidenced, excepted, and revised independently.

IMPLEMENTATION PROFILE

A risk-proportional set of required depth, evidence, and gates for a class of use.

CONTROLLED EXCEPTION

A time-bounded deviation with owner, rationale, compensating control, residual risk, expiration, and review trigger.

DETERMINISTIC MECHANISM

A component whose inputs, policy, state transition, and side effects can be constrained and verified.

SOURCE AUTHORITY

The documented basis for treating a source as reliable for a defined claim, context, jurisdiction, and time.

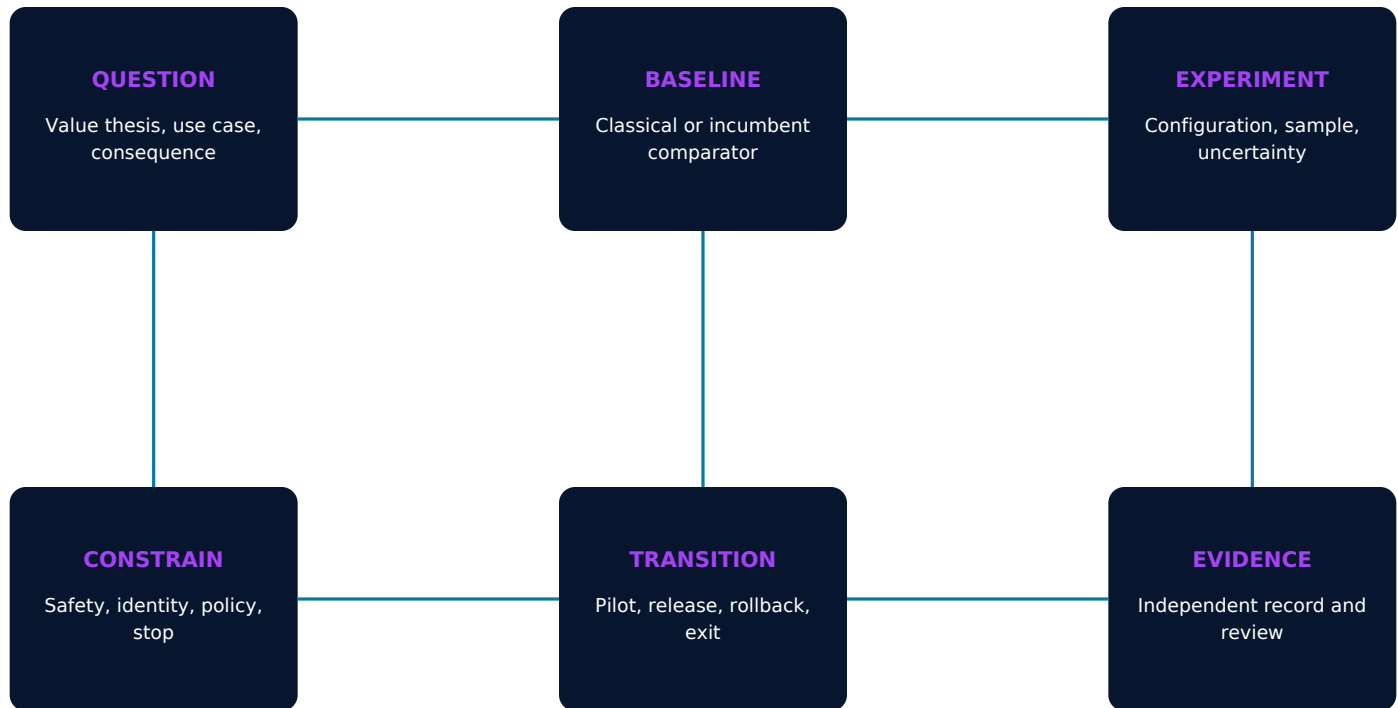
REASSESSMENT TRIGGER

A change, incident, drift signal, dependency revision, or time boundary requiring renewed evaluation.

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3. Architecture and Trust Model

Separation of research, authority, physical systems, runtime, and evidence



Mandatory trust boundaries

- Research systems **MUST NOT** inherit production identity, secrets, authority, data, networks, or physical control by convenience.
- Claims **MUST** retain the exact hardware, software, model, protocol, calibration, environment, workload, and observation boundary.
- Safety, cryptographic, physical, spectrum, autonomy, and human-intervention constraints **MUST** remain independently enforceable.
- Transition **MUST** have a named decision authority, acceptance criteria, monitored pilot, rollback, supplier exit, and retirement path.
- Evidence **MUST** remain reviewable when a vendor, cloud, token network, laboratory, model, robot, or quantum backend is unavailable.

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4. Governance and Accountability

Decision rights, separation of duties, and lifecycle ownership

ACCOUNTABLE OWNER

Accepts scope, risk tolerance, funding, and residual risk.

SYSTEM OWNER

Maintains architecture, inventory, operating boundaries, and change control.

SECURITY / PRIVACY

Defines threat, identity, data, isolation, monitoring, and incident requirements.

EVALUATION AUTHORITY

Designs representative tests, gates releases, and preserves reproducibility.

OPERATIONS

Maintains availability, rollback, recovery, evidence, and incident handling.

HUMAN OVERSIGHT

Reviews consequential decisions, exceptions, disputed outcomes, and harm signals.

DECISION PRINCIPLE

No single actor should be able to define the objective, grant authority, execute the consequential action, suppress evidence, and approve the result. Separation must be technical where consequence requires it.

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5. Normative Control System

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MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C01

Physical Service, Geography, and Stakeholder Boundary

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain physical service, geography, and stakeholder boundary for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE technology thesis; source-currency review; sponsor, technical owner, and risk decision

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C02

Node Identity, Ownership, and Hardware Attestation

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain node identity, ownership, and hardware attestation for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE research-state classification; baseline; competing alternative; prohibited-claim register

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C03

Enrollment, Commissioning, and Eligibility

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain enrollment, commissioning, and eligibility for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE experiment plan; versions; configuration; sample; uncertainty; reproducibility bundle

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C04

Proof-of-Service and Measurement Method

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain proof-of-service and measurement method for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE security, privacy, safety, rights, export, spectrum, and supplier assessment

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MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C05

Oracle, Telemetry, and External Data Authority

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain oracle, telemetry, and external data authority for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE benchmark results with incumbent comparator, resource accounting, and limitations

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C06

Sybil, Collusion, Fraud, and Replay Resistance

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain sybil, collusion, fraud, and replay resistance for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE pilot boundary; identities; kill switch; stop conditions; rollback and exit exercise

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C07

Consensus, Settlement, and Finality Assumptions

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain consensus, settlement, and finality assumptions for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE interoperability, standards, skills, support, lifecycle, and ecosystem evidence

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Incentive, Token, Fee, and Subsidy Model

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain incentive, token, fee, and subsidy model for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE adoption or rejection record; residual risk; reassessment and sunset trigger

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Economic Stress, Manipulation, and Sustainability Testing

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain economic stress, manipulation, and sustainability testing for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE technology thesis; source-currency review; sponsor, technical owner, and risk decision

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C10

Quality of Service and Customer Outcome Verification

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain quality of service and customer outcome verification for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE research-state classification; baseline; competing alternative; prohibited-claim register

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C11

Privacy, Location, Metadata, and Regulatory Exposure

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain privacy, location, metadata, and regulatory exposure for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE experiment plan; versions; configuration; sample; uncertainty; reproducibility bundle

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C12

Physical Safety, Tamper, Theft, and Maintenance

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain physical safety, tamper, theft, and maintenance for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE security, privacy, safety, rights, export, spectrum, and supplier assessment

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MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C13**Protocol Governance, Upgrade, and Emergency Authority**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain protocol governance, upgrade, and emergency authority for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE benchmark results with incumbent comparator, resource accounting, and limitations

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C14**Smart Contract, Wallet, Key, and Bridge Security**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain smart contract, wallet, key, and bridge security for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE pilot boundary; identities; kill switch; stop conditions; rollback and exit exercise

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C15**Network Partition, Regional Failure, and Recovery**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain network partition, regional failure, and recovery for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE interoperability, standards, skills, support, lifecycle, and ecosystem evidence

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MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C16**Supplier, Host, Carrier, and Cloud Dependencies**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain supplier, host, carrier, and cloud dependencies for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE adoption or rejection record; residual risk; reassessment and sunset trigger

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C17**Interoperability, Portability, and Exit Rights**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain interoperability, portability, and exit rights for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE technology thesis; source-currency review; sponsor, technical owner, and risk decision

MYTHOS-EMT-0005-C18**Research Classification, Adoption Gate, and Evidence**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain research classification, adoption gate, and evidence for the declared decentralized physical infrastructure networks boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE research-state classification; baseline; competing alternative; prohibited-claim register

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6. Evidence and Assessment

Reproduce, compare, challenge, observe, recover, and trace

EXAMINE

Research papers, standards, designs, bills of material, protocols, source, models, data, calibration, configurations, contracts, and claims.

REPRODUCE

Repeat the experiment or assessment with captured versions, seeds, parameters, environment, uncertainty, and acceptance criteria.

COMPARE

Use an honest incumbent, classical, manual, or alternative baseline with equivalent outcome, data, scale, and resource accounting.

CHALLENGE

Apply adversarial input, environmental variation, dependency loss, fault injection, safety cases, security tests, and boundary conditions.

OBSERVE

Measure field or production-like quality, latency, energy, drift, physical behavior, interventions, failures, maintenance, and user impact.

TRACE

Link claim, authority, experiment, configuration, evidence, decision, pilot, change, incident, rollback, and reassessment.

Evidence grades

A

Independently reproduced, current, representative, uncertainty-bounded, integrity-protected, and operationally relevant.

B

Reproduced by the implementing organization with strong provenance, comparator, challenge, and declared limitations.

C

Partial, laboratory-only, simulation-heavy, inherited, or indirect evidence with material uncertainty and dependencies.

D

Roadmap, assertion, demonstration, benchmark excerpt, patent, token metric, press release, or vendor statement without...

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7. Assurance Views

Six perspectives required for a complete assurance claim

GOVERNANCE

Ownership, purpose, risk tolerance, policy, exception, and decision rights.

ARCHITECTURE

Boundaries, dependencies, failure modes, state, data flow, and portability.

SECURITY

Identity, authorization, isolation, secrets, abuse resistance, and incident response.

OPERATIONS

Reliability, performance, cost, observability, change, recovery, and support.

PRIVACY / RIGHTS

Purpose limitation, minimization, consent, access, correction, deletion, and egress.

HUMAN / SOCIETAL

Usability, accessibility, disclosure, contestability, impact, and human control.

Conformance requires a defensible position across every applicable view. A strong aggregate score cannot compensate for an unowned system, a failed mandatory gate, untested recovery, or evidence below the accepted grade.

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7.2 Evaluation Metrics and Decision Gates

Measures expose utility, uncertainty, safety, physical limits, transition cost, and lifecycle burden

UTILITY

Task outcome, comparator delta, coverage, quality, accuracy, mission success, and stakeholder value.

UNCERTAINTY

Confidence, calibration, variance, sample coverage, reproducibility, sensitivity, and unresolved assumptions.

PERFORMANCE

Latency, throughput, fidelity, range, precision, bandwidth, scale, density, and availability.

SAFETY / SECURITY

Hazard exposure, unsafe action, exploitability, spoofing, physical consequence, intervention, and containment.

RESOURCE

Energy, power, cooling, spectrum, shots, qubits, memory, materials, facility, operator, and maintenance demand.

MATURITY

Standards state, supply chain, interoperability, tooling, skills, support, qualification, and lifecycle readiness.

ECONOMICS

Acquisition, operation, provider, token, facility, migration, insurance, support, and opportunity cost.

TRANSITION

Pilot escape, rollback time, incumbent fallback, portability, lock-in, retirement, and evidence completeness.

Decision gate: thresholds **MUST** be declared before assessment, include an incumbent baseline and uncertainty statement, and identify any safety, security, cryptographic, physical, reproducibility, or rollback failure that blocks transition.

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8. Failure Modes and Adversarial Scenarios

Challenge assumptions before the system is trusted with consequential work

TECHNOLOGY THEATER

A demonstration or vendor roadmap is treated as proof of production utility or readiness.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

RESEARCH-TO-PRODUCTION ESCAPE

Experimental components enter consequential environments without transition controls.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

UNSUPPORTED SECURITY CLAIM

Novel cryptographic, decentralized, photonic, or network claims are adopted without reproducible evidence.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

ECOSYSTEM COLLAPSE

A supplier, foundry, protocol, token economy, or standards path fails before replacement is viable.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

MEASUREMENT ILLUSION

Benchmark, simulation, or laboratory conditions hide scale, environment, energy, or reliability limits.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

IRREVERSIBLE LOCK-IN

Data, skills, hardware, interfaces, capital, or operations cannot migrate when the technology stalls.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

Adversarial testing MUST protect people and production systems. Use isolated environments, synthetic or minimized data, bounded authority, kill switches, explicit legal and ethical review, and documented stop conditions.

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9. Implementation Profiles

Risk-proportional implementation without weakening mandatory boundaries

FOUNDATIONAL	ADVANCED	HIGH ASSURANCE
TYPICAL SCOPE Low consequence, limited autonomy, non-sensitive data, reversible outputs.	TYPICAL SCOPE Business-critical workflow, sensitive data, multiple tools or providers, moderate autonomy.	TYPICAL SCOPE Safety, security, regulated, financial, identity, or broadly consequential use.
MINIMUM DEPTH Named owner; inventory; basic evaluation; access control; logging; rollback; annual review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Formal threat model; representative evaluation; approval gates; isolated execution; tested recovery; quarterly review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Independent challenge; strongest identity; deterministic enforcement; comprehensive evidence; canary release; continuous monitoring.

Profile selection rule

Choose the highest profile triggered by consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, scale, irreversibility, external dependency, or inability to rapidly detect and recover. Tailoring may strengthen controls; it may not erase a mandatory gate without a controlled exception.

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9.2 Operational Lifecycle

Evidence-bearing operation from concept through retirement



LIFECYCLE INVARIANT

Every stage **MUST** leave sufficient evidence for the next authority to understand what was intended, what changed, what was tested, what failed, what was accepted, what remains uncertain, and how to recover or exit.

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10. Adoption Roadmap

A sequenced path from uncontrolled capability to evidence-bearing operation

0-30 DAYS**Establish ownership and truth**

Inventory systems and dependencies; classify risk; freeze unsupported claims; identify immediate privilege, data, and evidence gaps.

31-90 DAYS**Create enforceable boundaries**

Define policy; isolate execution; implement identity and approval gates; establish representative evaluation and baseline telemetry.

3-6 MONTHS**Prove recovery and operating control**

Exercise failure, rollback, revocation, incident, provider exit, and state-recovery scenarios; mature evidence packaging.

6-12 MONTHS**Scale assurance**

Automate control checks; expand workload coverage; independent challenge; portfolio metrics; controlled exception expiry; continuous reassessment.

Adoption is complete only when operating evidence demonstrates the selected profile in the actual deployment context. Documentation alone is not conformance.

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10.2 Conformance and Exception Statement

What an assurance claim must contain

SYSTEM / SERVICE Named, versioned capability and deployment boundary.	PROFILE Foundational, Advanced, or High Assurance with trigger rationale.
SCOPE Workloads, users, data, tools, regions, providers, and exclusions.	CRITERIA Pass, partial, fail, not applicable, and exception status for every criterion.
EVIDENCE Artifact references, evidence grade, date, environment, and reproducibility.	LIMITATIONS Known failure modes, unsupported workloads, uncertainty, and residual risk.
EXCEPTIONS Owner, rationale, compensating control, expiration, and approval.	VALIDITY Assessment date, change boundary, review date, and reassessment triggers.

Prohibited claim: “compliant” without the named scope, profile, evidence date, limitations, exceptions, and authority accepting residual risk.

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11. Source Authority and Reference Register

Primary sources informing interpretation; verify current status at assessment time

NIST CSF 2.0

Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.CSWP.29>

Enterprise governance and cybersecurity outcome framework.

NIST Integrated Photonics

Integrated Photonics Program and Metrology

<https://www.nist.gov/programs-projects/integrated-photonics>

Primary research and measurement work for heterogeneous integrated photonic devices.

NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-53r5>

Broad organizational control baseline for technology systems and services.

ITU-R M.2160

Framework and Overall Objectives for IMT-2030

<https://www.itu.int/rec/R-REC-M.2160-0-202311-I/en>

In-force framework for IMT-2030 objectives, use cases, and capabilities.

NIST PQC Project

Post-Quantum Cryptography Standardization and Migration

<https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/post-quantum-cryptography>

Final PQC standards, continuing algorithm work, migration direction, and official project status.

ETSI ISG PDL

Permissioned Distributed Ledger Specifications

<https://www.etsi.org/committee/pdl>

Primary technical work for governed distributed-ledger systems and decentralized trust.

IEEE P3706

Guide for Brain-Inspired Computing Technologies

<https://standards.ieee.org/ieee/3706/12098/>

Published guide describing brain-inspired computing technology options and terminology.

3GPP Release 20

5G-Advanced Studies and 6G Study Roadmap

<https://www.3gpp.org/specifications-technologies/releases/release-20>

Official release program separating continued 5G-Advanced work from initial 6G studies.

Source currency rule: authorities, specifications, laws, provider services, hardware, protocols, standards status, and research evidence MUST be checked at assessment time. This publication records a 2026-07-24 source snapshot.

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11.2 Revision History and Decision Register

Permanent identity, controlled change, and publication integrity

VERSION	DATE	STATE	SUMMARY
1.0.0-candidate	2026-07-24	Candidate	Permanent-publication edition; source refresh; expanded criteria, evidence, assurance, and lifecycle guidance.
Next review	2027-01-24	Scheduled	Review source currency, threat evolution, operating evidence, adoption feedback, and proposed revisions.

Publication decisions

- PERMANENT IDENTITY** The document ID remains stable across revisions; batch or production sequence metadata is not public identity.
- CHANGE CONTROL** Normative changes require rationale, impact analysis, affected-criterion mapping, and approval.
- SUPERSESION** A superseded edition remains traceable; current routes and catalogs identify the active edition.
- CORRECTION** Material errors require a recorded correction, affected-evidence analysis, and notification appropriate to impact.
- ARCHIVAL INTEGRITY** Published artifacts receive hashes, metadata, and a release manifest sufficient for independent verification.

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5G-Advanced and 6G Research Evaluation Standard

Release-aware research for 5G-Advanced and IMT-2030, including radio, core, sensing, AI-native control, security, spectrum, sustainability, and evidence.

PERMANENT DOCUMENT ID

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PUBLICATION

Candidate Standard
Version 1.0.0-candidate

ASSURANCE PROFILE

Research / Pilot / Transition
High Assurance

PERMANENT PUBLICATION IDENTITY

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Publication doctrine. This publication establishes durable requirements for its defined scope. Interpretation must preserve the permanent document identity, required evidence, controlled exceptions, source currency, and formal revision history.

EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND ASSURANCE TOPOLOGY

Emerging and Advanced Technology

A trustworthy 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation program is a governed path from research claim through baseline, experiment, safety and security challenge, transition decision, bounded operation, and preserved evidence.

CLASSIFY

Separate established practice, candidate standard, reproduced result, vendor claim, implementation hypothesis, and open research.

EXPERIMENT

Declare baseline, configuration, uncertainty, scenario coverage, stop conditions, and independent reproduction before conclusions.

CONSTRAIN

Identity, policy, safety envelopes, physical boundaries, cryptographic authority, and human intervention limit consequence.

TRANSITION

Adoption, pilot, production, rollback, supplier exit, lifecycle, and retirement decisions remain evidence-bearing and reversible.

EVIDENCE - BOUND TRANSITION FLOW



No novelty claim becomes an operational claim without reproduced evidence and an explicit authority decision

INTERPRETATION AND ASSURANCE

How to apply this publication

Normative intent

Requirements define outcomes and constraints. Implementations may vary, but evidence must demonstrate equivalent control.

Evidence over assertion

Vendor documentation and design intent are not equivalent to reproduced behavior. Record evidence grade and uncertainty.

Risk-proportional depth

Higher consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, and irreversibility require stronger isolation, review, verification, and recovery.

Controlled exception

Exceptions require an owner, rationale, compensating control, residual-risk acceptance, expiration, and reevaluation trigger.

Normalized assessment scale

0	1	2	3	4	5
ABSENT	AD HOC	PARTIAL	OPERATIONAL	ADVANCED	LEADING

A numeric score must never hide a failed mandatory gate, missing evidence, untested workload, or unacceptable residual risk.

INTERACTIVE NAVIGATION

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Navigation doctrine

Bookmarks and internal links are conveniences. Permanent document identity, criterion identifiers, evidence references, and revision history remain authoritative.

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0. Executive Mandate

Research value, transition discipline, and non-negotiable evidence boundaries

MANDATE

Organizations evaluating 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation **MUST** separate research from operational authority, establish a reproducible baseline, constrain safety and security consequence, disclose uncertainty, and require a documented transition or rejection decision.

Required outcomes

- Establish a durable, product-neutral evidence system for 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation.
- Prevent novelty, investment, vendor prestige, roadmap language, or laboratory success from substituting for operational proof.
- Require representative performance, adversarial, failure, recovery, safety, privacy, and lifecycle evidence.
- Keep pilots bounded by identity, authority, environment, duration, budget, stop conditions, and rollback.
- Preserve rejected alternatives, limitations, residual risk, source currency, and reassessment triggers.

Decision boundary: conformance supports a bounded engineering assurance position. It does not prove scientific consensus, regulatory approval, universal safety, quantum advantage, cryptographic perfection, autonomous competence, or commercial viability.

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1. Scope and Applicability

Research, pilot, transition, operational, and retirement boundaries

IN SCOPE

- Research, architecture, acquisition, experiment, pilot, transition, operation, and retirement of 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation.
- Hardware, software, models, data, protocols, facilities, people, suppliers, providers, physical processes, and evidence.
- Laboratory, simulation, testbed, shadow, pilot, canary, production, and field deployment states.
- Claims, benchmarks, uncertainty, safety, security, privacy, economics, interoperability, support, and exit.

OUT OF SCOPE

- Scientific truth inferred from a single benchmark, simulation, provider, hardware generation, or laboratory configuration.
- Safety, regulatory, export, spectrum, airspace, clinical, cryptographic, or standards approval not granted by the responsible authority.
- Roadmap forecasts, token price, patent counts, press releases, or investment treated as engineering evidence.
- Hidden production use of research components outside the declared transition and assurance boundary.

Applicability triggers

- The capability is novel, rapidly changing, weakly standardized, difficult to reproduce, or dependent on immature suppliers.
- A claim concerns safety, security, privacy, physical action, critical infrastructure, cryptographic trust, or consequential autonomy.
- The system requires specialized facilities, scarce hardware, spectrum, foundry, cryogenic, optical, robotics, or field-test dependencies.
- Failure or lock-in may create long-lived data, capital, infrastructure, workforce, or regulatory consequences.
- A research component is proposed for pilot, customer, production, public, or externally relied-upon use.

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2. Definitions and Taxonomy

Controlled language for architecture, governance, and assessment

AUTHORITY

The right to approve, deny, constrain, or execute an action. Model output is not authority.

EVIDENCE

A reproducible source, trace, measurement, test, record, signed artifact, or documented observation supporting a claim.

ASSURANCE VIEW

A defined perspective such as governance, architecture, security, operations, privacy, or human oversight.

ATOMIC CRITERION

A uniquely identified requirement that can be assessed, evidenced, excepted, and revised independently.

IMPLEMENTATION PROFILE

A risk-proportional set of required depth, evidence, and gates for a class of use.

CONTROLLED EXCEPTION

A time-bounded deviation with owner, rationale, compensating control, residual risk, expiration, and review trigger.

DETERMINISTIC MECHANISM

A component whose inputs, policy, state transition, and side effects can be constrained and verified.

SOURCE AUTHORITY

The documented basis for treating a source as reliable for a defined claim, context, jurisdiction, and time.

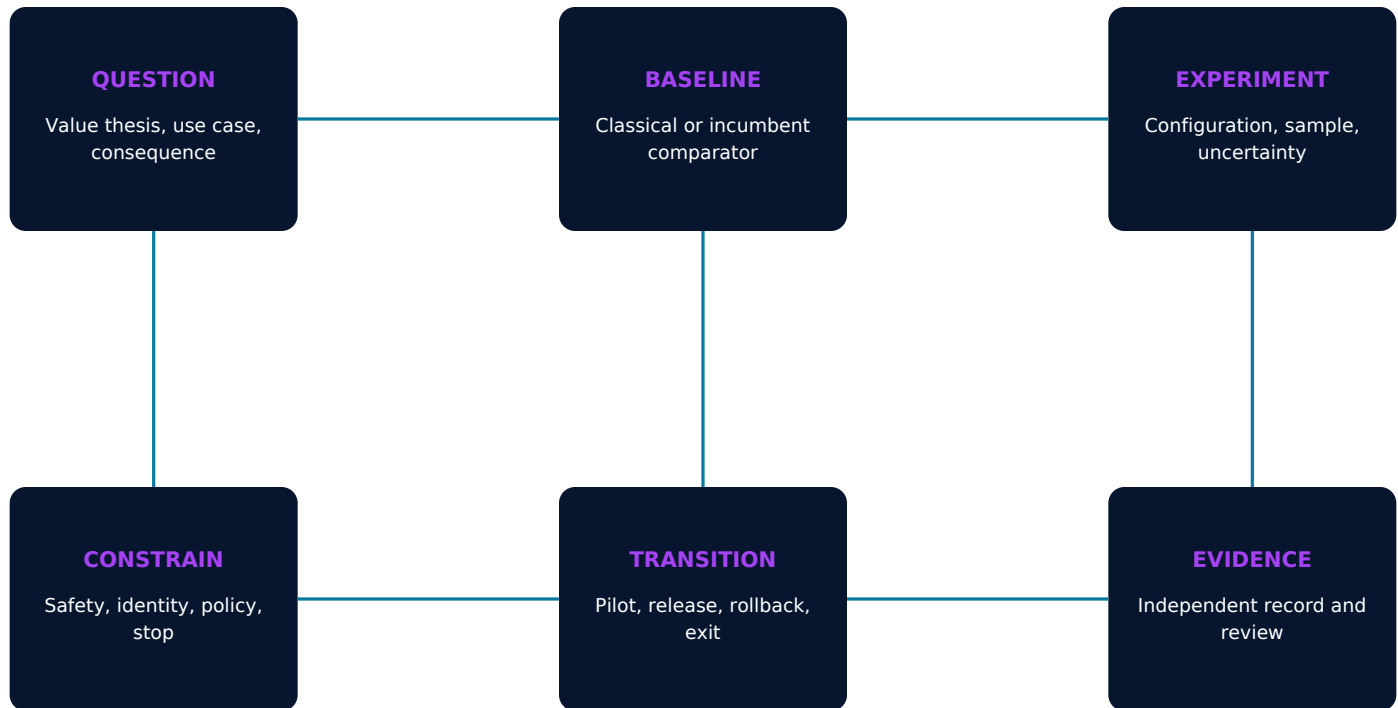
REASSESSMENT TRIGGER

A change, incident, drift signal, dependency revision, or time boundary requiring renewed evaluation.

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3. Architecture and Trust Model

Separation of research, authority, physical systems, runtime, and evidence



Mandatory trust boundaries

- Research systems **MUST NOT** inherit production identity, secrets, authority, data, networks, or physical control by convenience.
- Claims **MUST** retain the exact hardware, software, model, protocol, calibration, environment, workload, and observation boundary.
- Safety, cryptographic, physical, spectrum, autonomy, and human-intervention constraints **MUST** remain independently enforceable.
- Transition **MUST** have a named decision authority, acceptance criteria, monitored pilot, rollback, supplier exit, and retirement path.
- Evidence **MUST** remain reviewable when a vendor, cloud, token network, laboratory, model, robot, or quantum backend is unavailable.

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4. Governance and Accountability

Decision rights, separation of duties, and lifecycle ownership

ACCOUNTABLE OWNER

Accepts scope, risk tolerance, funding, and residual risk.

SYSTEM OWNER

Maintains architecture, inventory, operating boundaries, and change control.

SECURITY / PRIVACY

Defines threat, identity, data, isolation, monitoring, and incident requirements.

EVALUATION AUTHORITY

Designs representative tests, gates releases, and preserves reproducibility.

OPERATIONS

Maintains availability, rollback, recovery, evidence, and incident handling.

HUMAN OVERSIGHT

Reviews consequential decisions, exceptions, disputed outcomes, and harm signals.

DECISION PRINCIPLE

No single actor should be able to define the objective, grant authority, execute the consequential action, suppress evidence, and approve the result. Separation must be technical where consequence requires it.

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Standards Release, Study Item, and Feature Status

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain standards release, study item, and feature status for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE technology thesis; source-currency review; sponsor, technical owner, and risk decision

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C02

Use Case, Capability, and Service-Level Hypothesis

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain use case, capability, and service-level hypothesis for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE research-state classification; baseline; competing alternative; prohibited-claim register

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C03

Spectrum, Band, Licensing, and Regulatory Boundary

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain spectrum, band, licensing, and regulatory boundary for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE experiment plan; versions; configuration; sample; uncertainty; reproducibility bundle

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C04

Radio, Transport, Core, Edge, and Cloud Architecture

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain radio, transport, core, edge, and cloud architecture for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE security, privacy, safety, rights, export, spectrum, and supplier assessment

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MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C05**AI-Native Control, Data, and Model Governance**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain ai-native control, data, and model governance for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE benchmark results with incumbent comparator, resource accounting, and limitations

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C06**Integrated Sensing and Communication Boundary**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain integrated sensing and communication boundary for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE pilot boundary; identities; kill switch; stop conditions; rollback and exit exercise

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C07**Non-Terrestrial and Multi-Layer Network Integration**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain non-terrestrial and multi-layer network integration for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE interoperability, standards, skills, support, lifecycle, and ecosystem evidence

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C08**Identity, Authentication, Privacy, and Trust Model**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain identity, authentication, privacy, and trust model for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE adoption or rejection record; residual risk; reassessment and sunset trigger

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Slice, QoS, Isolation, and Resource Semantics

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain slice, qos, isolation, and resource semantics for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE technology thesis; source-currency review; sponsor, technical owner, and risk decision

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Timing, Positioning, Synchronization, and Resilience

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain timing, positioning, synchronization, and resilience for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE research-state classification; baseline; competing alternative; prohibited-claim register

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C11

RF Exposure, Coexistence, Interference, and Safety

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain rf exposure, coexistence, interference, and safety for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE experiment plan; versions; configuration; sample; uncertainty; reproducibility bundle

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C12

Digital Twin, Simulation, Channel, and Traffic Model

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain digital twin, simulation, channel, and traffic model for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE security, privacy, safety, rights, export, spectrum, and supplier assessment

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MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C13**Prototype, Testbed, and Vendor Interoperability**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain prototype, testbed, and vendor interoperability for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE benchmark results with incumbent comparator, resource accounting, and limitations

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C14**Performance, Coverage, Capacity, and Energy Measurement**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain performance, coverage, capacity, and energy measurement for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE pilot boundary; identities; kill switch; stop conditions; rollback and exit exercise

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C15**Security, Jamming, Spoofing, and Signaling Abuse**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain security, jamming, spoofing, and signaling abuse for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims **MUST** remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE interoperability, standards, skills, support, lifecycle, and ecosystem evidence

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MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C16**Migration from 5G and 5G-Advanced**

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain migration from 5g and 5g-advanced for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE adoption or rejection record; residual risk; reassessment and sunset trigger

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C17**Commercial, Ecosystem, and Lifecycle Readiness**

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain commercial, ecosystem, and lifecycle readiness for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE technology thesis; source-currency review; sponsor, technical owner, and risk decision

MYTHOS-EMT-0006-C18**Research Claim, Adoption Gate, and Reassessment**

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain research claim, adoption gate, and reassessment for the declared 5G-Advanced and 6G research evaluation boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. Research claims MUST remain separate from pilot and production claims, with a baseline, stop conditions, rollback, supplier exit, and recorded adoption or rejection decision.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE research-state classification; baseline; competing alternative; prohibited-claim register

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6. Evidence and Assessment

Reproduce, compare, challenge, observe, recover, and trace

EXAMINE

Research papers, standards, designs, bills of material, protocols, source, models, data, calibration, configurations, contracts, and claims.

REPRODUCE

Repeat the experiment or assessment with captured versions, seeds, parameters, environment, uncertainty, and acceptance criteria.

COMPARE

Use an honest incumbent, classical, manual, or alternative baseline with equivalent outcome, data, scale, and resource accounting.

CHALLENGE

Apply adversarial input, environmental variation, dependency loss, fault injection, safety cases, security tests, and boundary conditions.

OBSERVE

Measure field or production-like quality, latency, energy, drift, physical behavior, interventions, failures, maintenance, and user impact.

TRACE

Link claim, authority, experiment, configuration, evidence, decision, pilot, change, incident, rollback, and reassessment.

Evidence grades

A

Independently reproduced, current, representative, uncertainty-bounded, integrity-protected, and operationally relevant.

B

Reproduced by the implementing organization with strong provenance, comparator, challenge, and declared limitations.

C

Partial, laboratory-only, simulation-heavy, inherited, or indirect evidence with material uncertainty and dependencies.

D

Roadmap, assertion, demonstration, benchmark excerpt, patent, token metric, press release, or vendor statement without...

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7. Assurance Views

Six perspectives required for a complete assurance claim

GOVERNANCE

Ownership, purpose, risk tolerance, policy, exception, and decision rights.

ARCHITECTURE

Boundaries, dependencies, failure modes, state, data flow, and portability.

SECURITY

Identity, authorization, isolation, secrets, abuse resistance, and incident response.

OPERATIONS

Reliability, performance, cost, observability, change, recovery, and support.

PRIVACY / RIGHTS

Purpose limitation, minimization, consent, access, correction, deletion, and egress.

HUMAN / SOCIETAL

Usability, accessibility, disclosure, contestability, impact, and human control.

Conformance requires a defensible position across every applicable view. A strong aggregate score cannot compensate for an unowned system, a failed mandatory gate, untested recovery, or evidence below the accepted grade.

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7.2 Evaluation Metrics and Decision Gates

Measures expose utility, uncertainty, safety, physical limits, transition cost, and lifecycle burden

UTILITY

Task outcome, comparator delta, coverage, quality, accuracy, mission success, and stakeholder value.

UNCERTAINTY

Confidence, calibration, variance, sample coverage, reproducibility, sensitivity, and unresolved assumptions.

PERFORMANCE

Latency, throughput, fidelity, range, precision, bandwidth, scale, density, and availability.

SAFETY / SECURITY

Hazard exposure, unsafe action, exploitability, spoofing, physical consequence, intervention, and containment.

RESOURCE

Energy, power, cooling, spectrum, shots, qubits, memory, materials, facility, operator, and maintenance demand.

MATURITY

Standards state, supply chain, interoperability, tooling, skills, support, qualification, and lifecycle readiness.

ECONOMICS

Acquisition, operation, provider, token, facility, migration, insurance, support, and opportunity cost.

TRANSITION

Pilot escape, rollback time, incumbent fallback, portability, lock-in, retirement, and evidence completeness.

Decision gate: thresholds **MUST** be declared before assessment, include an incumbent baseline and uncertainty statement, and identify any safety, security, cryptographic, physical, reproducibility, or rollback failure that blocks transition.

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8. Failure Modes and Adversarial Scenarios

Challenge assumptions before the system is trusted with consequential work

TECHNOLOGY THEATER

A demonstration or vendor roadmap is treated as proof of production utility or readiness.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

RESEARCH-TO-PRODUCTION ESCAPE

Experimental components enter consequential environments without transition controls.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

UNSUPPORTED SECURITY CLAIM

Novel cryptographic, decentralized, photonic, or network claims are adopted without reproducible evidence.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

ECOSYSTEM COLLAPSE

A supplier, foundry, protocol, token economy, or standards path fails before replacement is viable.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

MEASUREMENT ILLUSION

Benchmark, simulation, or laboratory conditions hide scale, environment, energy, or reliability limits.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

IRREVERSIBLE LOCK-IN

Data, skills, hardware, interfaces, capital, or operations cannot migrate when the technology stalls.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

Adversarial testing MUST protect people and production systems. Use isolated environments, synthetic or minimized data, bounded authority, kill switches, explicit legal and ethical review, and documented stop conditions.

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9. Implementation Profiles

Risk-proportional implementation without weakening mandatory boundaries

FOUNDATIONAL	ADVANCED	HIGH ASSURANCE
TYPICAL SCOPE Low consequence, limited autonomy, non-sensitive data, reversible outputs.	TYPICAL SCOPE Business-critical workflow, sensitive data, multiple tools or providers, moderate autonomy.	TYPICAL SCOPE Safety, security, regulated, financial, identity, or broadly consequential use.
MINIMUM DEPTH Named owner; inventory; basic evaluation; access control; logging; rollback; annual review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Formal threat model; representative evaluation; approval gates; isolated execution; tested recovery; quarterly review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Independent challenge; strongest identity; deterministic enforcement; comprehensive evidence; canary release; continuous monitoring.

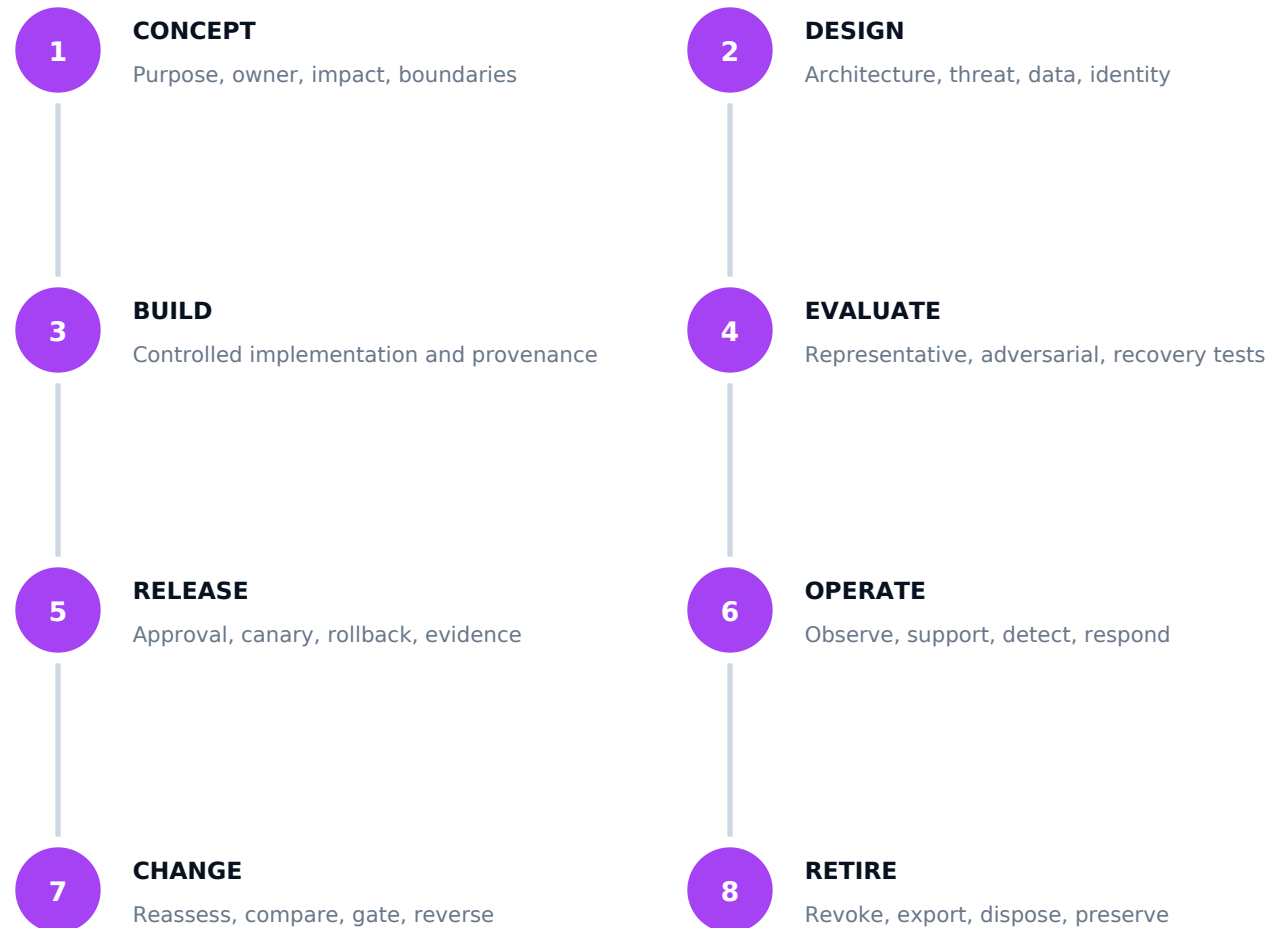
Profile selection rule

Choose the highest profile triggered by consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, scale, irreversibility, external dependency, or inability to rapidly detect and recover. Tailoring may strengthen controls; it may not erase a mandatory gate without a controlled exception.

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9.2 Operational Lifecycle

Evidence-bearing operation from concept through retirement



LIFECYCLE INVARIANT

Every stage **MUST** leave sufficient evidence for the next authority to understand what was intended, what changed, what was tested, what failed, what was accepted, what remains uncertain, and how to recover or exit.

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10. Adoption Roadmap

A sequenced path from uncontrolled capability to evidence-bearing operation

0-30 DAYS**Establish ownership and truth**

Inventory systems and dependencies; classify risk; freeze unsupported claims; identify immediate privilege, data, and evidence gaps.

31-90 DAYS**Create enforceable boundaries**

Define policy; isolate execution; implement identity and approval gates; establish representative evaluation and baseline telemetry.

3-6 MONTHS**Prove recovery and operating control**

Exercise failure, rollback, revocation, incident, provider exit, and state-recovery scenarios; mature evidence packaging.

6-12 MONTHS**Scale assurance**

Automate control checks; expand workload coverage; independent challenge; portfolio metrics; controlled exception expiry; continuous reassessment.

Adoption is complete only when operating evidence demonstrates the selected profile in the actual deployment context. Documentation alone is not conformance.

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10.2 Conformance and Exception Statement

What an assurance claim must contain

SYSTEM / SERVICE

Named, versioned capability and deployment boundary.

PROFILE

Foundational, Advanced, or High Assurance with trigger rationale.

SCOPE

Workloads, users, data, tools, regions, providers, and exclusions.

CRITERIA

Pass, partial, fail, not applicable, and exception status for every criterion.

EVIDENCE

Artifact references, evidence grade, date, environment, and reproducibility.

LIMITATIONS

Known failure modes, unsupported workloads, uncertainty, and residual risk.

EXCEPTIONS

Owner, rationale, compensating control, expiration, and approval.

VALIDITY

Assessment date, change boundary, review date, and reassessment triggers.

Prohibited claim: “compliant” without the named scope, profile, evidence date, limitations, exceptions, and authority accepting residual risk.

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11. Source Authority and Reference Register

Primary sources informing interpretation; verify current status at assessment time

NIST CSF 2.0

Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.CSWP.29>

Enterprise governance and cybersecurity outcome framework.

NIST Integrated Photonics

Integrated Photonics Program and Metrology

<https://www.nist.gov/programs-projects/integrated-photonics>

Primary research and measurement work for heterogeneous integrated photonic devices.

NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-53r5>

Broad organizational control baseline for technology systems and services.

ITU-R M.2160

Framework and Overall Objectives for IMT-2030

<https://www.itu.int/rec/R-REC-M.2160-0-202311-I/en>

In-force framework for IMT-2030 objectives, use cases, and capabilities.

NIST PQC Project

Post-Quantum Cryptography Standardization and Migration

<https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/post-quantum-cryptography>

Final PQC standards, continuing algorithm work, migration direction, and official project status.

ETSI ISG PDL

Permissioned Distributed Ledger Specifications

<https://www.etsi.org/committee/pdl>

Primary technical work for governed distributed-ledger systems and decentralized trust.

IEEE P3706

Guide for Brain-Inspired Computing Technologies

<https://standards.ieee.org/ieee/3706/12098/>

Published guide describing brain-inspired computing technology options and terminology.

3GPP Release 20

5G-Advanced Studies and 6G Study Roadmap

<https://www.3gpp.org/specifications-technologies/releases/release-20>

Official release program separating continued 5G-Advanced work from initial 6G studies.

Source currency rule: authorities, specifications, laws, provider services, hardware, protocols, standards status, and research evidence MUST be checked at assessment time. This publication records a 2026-07-24 source snapshot.

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11.2 Revision History and Decision Register

Permanent identity, controlled change, and publication integrity

VERSION	DATE	STATE	SUMMARY
1.0.0-candidate	2026-07-24	Candidate	Permanent-publication edition; source refresh; expanded criteria, evidence, assurance, and lifecycle guidance.
Next review	2027-01-24	Scheduled	Review source currency, threat evolution, operating evidence, adoption feedback, and proposed revisions.

Publication decisions

- PERMANENT IDENTITY** The document ID remains stable across revisions; batch or production sequence metadata is not public identity.
- CHANGE CONTROL** Normative changes require rationale, impact analysis, affected-criterion mapping, and approval.
- SUPERSESSION** A superseded edition remains traceable; current routes and catalogs identify the active edition.
- CORRECTION** Material errors require a recorded correction, affected-evidence analysis, and notification appropriate to impact.
- ARCHIVAL INTEGRITY** Published artifacts receive hashes, metadata, and a release manifest sufficient for independent verification.

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Robotics System Safety, Security, and Lifecycle Standard

Robot system boundaries, hazard analysis, safety functions, cybersecurity, commissioning, validation, operation, maintenance, change, and retirement.

PERMANENT DOCUMENT ID

MYTHOS-ROB-0001

PUBLICATION

Candidate Standard
Version 1.0.0-candidate

ASSURANCE PROFILE

Research / Pilot / Operational
High Assurance

PERMANENT PUBLICATION IDENTITY

Robotics System Safety, Security, and Lifecycle Standard			DOCUMENT ID MYTHOS-ROB-0001 VERSION 1.0.0-candidate STATUS Candidate Standard PUBLISHER Mythos Systems PUBLICATION DATE 2026-07-24 SCHEDULED REVIEW 2027-01-24 CLASSIFICATION Public
18 ATOMIC CRITERIA	6 ASSURANCE VIEWS	4 IMPLEMENTATION PROFILES	1 PERMANENT IDENTITY

Publication doctrine. This publication establishes durable requirements for its defined scope. Interpretation must preserve the permanent document identity, required evidence, controlled exceptions, source currency, and formal revision history.

EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND ASSURANCE TOPOLOGY

Robotics and Autonomous Systems

A trustworthy robotics system safety and security program is a governed path from research claim through baseline, experiment, safety and security challenge, transition decision, bounded operation, and preserved evidence.

CLASSIFY

Separate established practice, candidate standard, reproduced result, vendor claim, implementation hypothesis, and open research.

EXPERIMENT

Declare baseline, configuration, uncertainty, scenario coverage, stop conditions, and independent reproduction before conclusions.

CONSTRAIN

Identity, policy, safety envelopes, physical boundaries, cryptographic authority, and human intervention limit consequence.

TRANSITION

Adoption, pilot, production, rollback, supplier exit, lifecycle, and retirement decisions remain evidence-bearing and reversible.

EVIDENCE - BOUND TRANSITION FLOW



No novelty claim becomes an operational claim without reproduced evidence and an explicit authority decision

INTERPRETATION AND ASSURANCE

How to apply this publication

Normative intent

Requirements define outcomes and constraints. Implementations may vary, but evidence must demonstrate equivalent control.

Evidence over assertion

Vendor documentation and design intent are not equivalent to reproduced behavior. Record evidence grade and uncertainty.

Risk-proportional depth

Higher consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, and irreversibility require stronger isolation, review, verification, and recovery.

Controlled exception

Exceptions require an owner, rationale, compensating control, residual-risk acceptance, expiration, and reevaluation trigger.

Normalized assessment scale



A numeric score must never hide a failed mandatory gate, missing evidence, untested workload, or unacceptable residual risk.

INTERACTIVE NAVIGATION

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Navigation doctrine

Bookmarks and internal links are conveniences. Permanent document identity, criterion identifiers, evidence references, and revision history remain authoritative.

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0. Executive Mandate

Research value, transition discipline, and non-negotiable evidence boundaries

MANDATE

Organizations evaluating robotics system safety and security **MUST** separate research from operational authority, establish a reproducible baseline, constrain safety and security consequence, disclose uncertainty, and require a documented transition or rejection decision.

Required outcomes

- Establish a durable, product-neutral evidence system for robotics system safety and security.
- Prevent novelty, investment, vendor prestige, roadmap language, or laboratory success from substituting for operational proof.
- Require representative performance, adversarial, failure, recovery, safety, privacy, and lifecycle evidence.
- Keep pilots bounded by identity, authority, environment, duration, budget, stop conditions, and rollback.
- Preserve rejected alternatives, limitations, residual risk, source currency, and reassessment triggers.

Decision boundary: conformance supports a bounded engineering assurance position. It does not prove scientific consensus, regulatory approval, universal safety, quantum advantage, cryptographic perfection, autonomous competence, or commercial viability.

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1. Scope and Applicability

Research, pilot, transition, operational, and retirement boundaries

IN SCOPE

- Research, architecture, acquisition, experiment, pilot, transition, operation, and retirement of robotics system safety and security.
- Hardware, software, models, data, protocols, facilities, people, suppliers, providers, physical processes, and evidence.
- Laboratory, simulation, testbed, shadow, pilot, canary, production, and field deployment states.
- Claims, benchmarks, uncertainty, safety, security, privacy, economics, interoperability, support, and exit.

OUT OF SCOPE

- Scientific truth inferred from a single benchmark, simulation, provider, hardware generation, or laboratory configuration.
- Safety, regulatory, export, spectrum, airspace, clinical, cryptographic, or standards approval not granted by the responsible authority.
- Roadmap forecasts, token price, patent counts, press releases, or investment treated as engineering evidence.
- Hidden production use of research components outside the declared transition and assurance boundary.

Applicability triggers

- The capability is novel, rapidly changing, weakly standardized, difficult to reproduce, or dependent on immature suppliers.
- A claim concerns safety, security, privacy, physical action, critical infrastructure, cryptographic trust, or consequential autonomy.
- The system requires specialized facilities, scarce hardware, spectrum, foundry, cryogenic, optical, robotics, or field-test dependencies.
- Failure or lock-in may create long-lived data, capital, infrastructure, workforce, or regulatory consequences.
- A research component is proposed for pilot, customer, production, public, or externally relied-upon use.

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2. Definitions and Taxonomy

Controlled language for architecture, governance, and assessment

AUTHORITY

The right to approve, deny, constrain, or execute an action. Model output is not authority.

EVIDENCE

A reproducible source, trace, measurement, test, record, signed artifact, or documented observation supporting a claim.

ASSURANCE VIEW

A defined perspective such as governance, architecture, security, operations, privacy, or human oversight.

ATOMIC CRITERION

A uniquely identified requirement that can be assessed, evidenced, excepted, and revised independently.

IMPLEMENTATION PROFILE

A risk-proportional set of required depth, evidence, and gates for a class of use.

CONTROLLED EXCEPTION

A time-bounded deviation with owner, rationale, compensating control, residual risk, expiration, and review trigger.

DETERMINISTIC MECHANISM

A component whose inputs, policy, state transition, and side effects can be constrained and verified.

SOURCE AUTHORITY

The documented basis for treating a source as reliable for a defined claim, context, jurisdiction, and time.

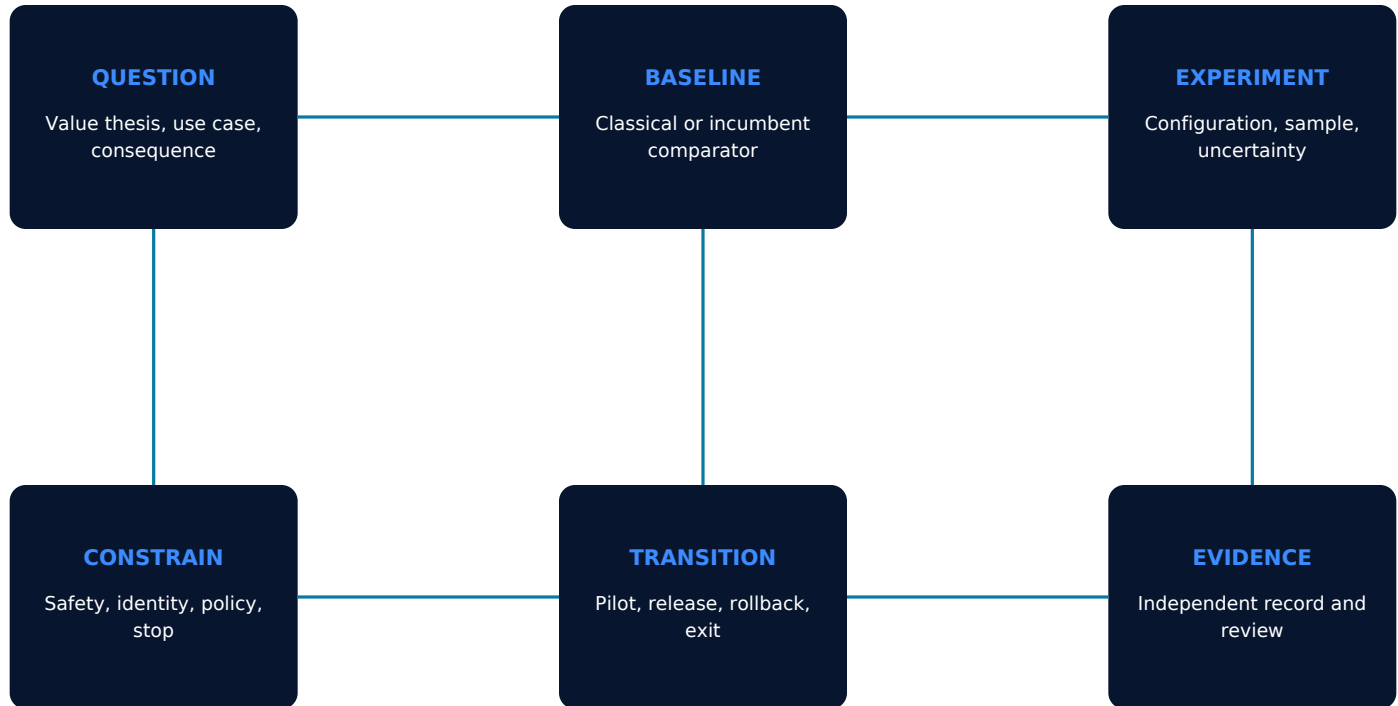
REASSESSMENT TRIGGER

A change, incident, drift signal, dependency revision, or time boundary requiring renewed evaluation.

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3. Architecture and Trust Model

Separation of research, authority, physical systems, runtime, and evidence



Mandatory trust boundaries

- Research systems **MUST NOT** inherit production identity, secrets, authority, data, networks, or physical control by convenience.
- Claims **MUST** retain the exact hardware, software, model, protocol, calibration, environment, workload, and observation boundary.
- Safety, cryptographic, physical, spectrum, autonomy, and human-intervention constraints **MUST** remain independently enforceable.
- Transition **MUST** have a named decision authority, acceptance criteria, monitored pilot, rollback, supplier exit, and retirement path.
- Evidence **MUST** remain reviewable when a vendor, cloud, token network, laboratory, model, robot, or quantum backend is unavailable.

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4. Governance and Accountability

Decision rights, separation of duties, and lifecycle ownership

ACCOUNTABLE OWNER

Accepts scope, risk tolerance, funding, and residual risk.

SYSTEM OWNER

Maintains architecture, inventory, operating boundaries, and change control.

SECURITY / PRIVACY

Defines threat, identity, data, isolation, monitoring, and incident requirements.

EVALUATION AUTHORITY

Designs representative tests, gates releases, and preserves reproducibility.

OPERATIONS

Maintains availability, rollback, recovery, evidence, and incident handling.

HUMAN OVERSIGHT

Reviews consequential decisions, exceptions, disputed outcomes, and harm signals.

DECISION PRINCIPLE

No single actor should be able to define the objective, grant authority, execute the consequential action, suppress evidence, and approve the result. Separation must be technical where consequence requires it.

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5. Normative Control System

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MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C01 Robot, Application, Cell, and Environment Boundary

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain robot, application, cell, and environment boundary for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C02 Intended Use, Reasonably Foreseeable Misuse, and ODD

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain intended use, reasonably foreseeable misuse, and odd for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C03 Hazard Analysis and Risk Reduction

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain hazard analysis and risk reduction for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C04 Safety Function, Performance Level, and Independence

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain safety function, performance level, and independence for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C05

Emergency Stop, Protective Stop, and Safe State

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain emergency stop, protective stop, and safe state for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C06

Human Detection, Separation, and Collaborative Operation

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain human detection, separation, and collaborative operation for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C07

Mechanical, Electrical, Thermal, Chemical, and Energy Hazards

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain mechanical, electrical, thermal, chemical, and energy hazards for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C08

Control System, Network, and Remote Access Security

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain control system, network, and remote access security for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

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MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C09

Identity, Authorization, and Command Integrity

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain identity, authorization, and command integrity for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C10

Sensor, Actuator, Tool, Payload, and End-Effector Safety

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain sensor, actuator, tool, payload, and end-effector safety for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C11

Software, Firmware, Model, and Configuration Provenance

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain software, firmware, model, and configuration provenance for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C12

Simulation, Test, Commissioning, and Acceptance

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain simulation, test, commissioning, and acceptance for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C13 Operation, Inspection, Preventive Maintenance, and Calibration

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain operation, inspection, preventive maintenance, and calibration for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C14 Incident, Near Miss, Forensics, and Corrective Action

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain incident, near miss, forensics, and corrective action for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C15 Change, Reprogramming, Tooling, and Revalidation

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain change, reprogramming, tooling, and revalidation for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

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MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C16**Recovery, Manual Override, and Degraded Operation**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain recovery, manual override, and degraded operation for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C17**Decommissioning, Disposal, and Residual Energy**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain decommissioning, disposal, and residual energy for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0001-C18**Conformance Evidence and Periodic Reassessment**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain conformance evidence and periodic reassessment for the declared robotics system safety and security boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

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6. Evidence and Assessment

Reproduce, compare, challenge, observe, and trace

EXAMINE

Research papers, standards, designs, bills of material, protocols, source, models, data, calibration, configurations, contracts, and claims.

REPRODUCE

Repeat the experiment or assessment with captured versions, seeds, parameters, environment, uncertainty, and acceptance criteria.

COMPARE

Use an honest incumbent, classical, manual, or alternative baseline with equivalent outcome, data, scale, and resource accounting.

CHALLENGE

Apply adversarial input, environmental variation, dependency loss, fault injection, safety cases, security tests, and boundary conditions.

OBSERVE

Measure field or production-like quality, latency, energy, drift, physical behavior, interventions, failures, maintenance, and user impact.

TRACE

Link claim, authority, experiment, configuration, evidence, decision, pilot, change, incident, rollback, and reassessment.

Evidence grades

A

Independently reproduced, current, representative, uncertainty-bounded, integrity-protected, and operationally relevant.

B

Reproduced by the implementing organization with strong provenance, comparator, challenge, and declared limitations.

C

Partial, laboratory-only, simulation-heavy, inherited, or indirect evidence with material uncertainty and dependencies.

D

Roadmap, assertion, demonstration, benchmark excerpt, patent, token metric, press release, or vendor statement without...

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7. Assurance Views

Six perspectives required for a complete assurance claim

GOVERNANCE

Ownership, purpose, risk tolerance, policy, exception, and decision rights.

ARCHITECTURE

Boundaries, dependencies, failure modes, state, data flow, and portability.

SECURITY

Identity, authorization, isolation, secrets, abuse resistance, and incident response.

OPERATIONS

Reliability, performance, cost, observability, change, recovery, and support.

PRIVACY / RIGHTS

Purpose limitation, minimization, consent, access, correction, deletion, and egress.

HUMAN / SOCIETAL

Usability, accessibility, disclosure, contestability, impact, and human control.

Conformance requires a defensible position across every applicable view. A strong aggregate score cannot compensate for an unowned system, a failed mandatory gate, untested recovery, or evidence below the accepted grade.

7.2 Evaluation Metrics and Decision Gates

Measures expose utility, uncertainty, safety, physical limits, transition cost, and lifecycle burden

UTILITY

Task outcome, comparator delta, coverage, quality, accuracy, mission success, and stakeholder value.

UNCERTAINTY

Confidence, calibration, variance, sample coverage, reproducibility, sensitivity, and unresolved assumptions.

PERFORMANCE

Latency, throughput, fidelity, range, precision, bandwidth, scale, density, and availability.

SAFETY / SECURITY

Hazard exposure, unsafe action, exploitability, spoofing, physical consequence, intervention, and containment.

RESOURCE

Energy, power, cooling, spectrum, shots, qubits, memory, materials, facility, operator, and maintenance demand.

MATURITY

Standards state, supply chain, interoperability, tooling, skills, support, qualification, and lifecycle readiness.

ECONOMICS

Acquisition, operation, provider, token, facility, migration, insurance, support, and opportunity cost.

TRANSITION

Pilot escape, rollback time, incumbent fallback, portability, lock-in, retirement, and evidence completeness.

Decision gate: thresholds **MUST** be declared before assessment, include an incumbent baseline and uncertainty statement, and identify any safety, security, cryptographic, physical, reproducibility, or rollback failure that blocks transition.

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8. Failure Modes and Adversarial Scenarios

Challenge assumptions before the system is trusted with consequential work

UNSAFE AUTONOMY

The robot acts outside its operational design domain or safety envelope.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

PERCEPTION COLLAPSE

Occlusion, weather, spoofing, drift, calibration, or domain shift produces hazardous state estimates.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

HUMAN INTERVENTION FAILURE

Operators cannot understand, stop, take over, or recover the system in time.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

CYBER-PHYSICAL COMMAND ABUSE

Compromised identity, network, software, model, or tool issues unsafe motion or process actions.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

FLEET-CORRELATED FAILURE

A map, model, update, scheduler, battery, cloud, or communications dependency affects many robots at once.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

LEARNING REGRESSION

A model or skill update degrades safety, task quality, fairness, explainability, or recovery behavior.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

Adversarial testing MUST protect people and production systems. Use isolated environments, synthetic or minimized data, bounded authority, kill switches, explicit legal and ethical review, and documented stop conditions.

9. Implementation Profiles

Risk-proportional implementation without weakening mandatory boundaries

FOUNDATIONAL	ADVANCED	HIGH ASSURANCE
TYPICAL SCOPE Low consequence, limited autonomy, non-sensitive data, reversible outputs.	TYPICAL SCOPE Business-critical workflow, sensitive data, multiple tools or providers, moderate autonomy.	TYPICAL SCOPE Safety, security, regulated, financial, identity, or broadly consequential use.
MINIMUM DEPTH Named owner; inventory; basic evaluation; access control; logging; rollback; annual review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Formal threat model; representative evaluation; approval gates; isolated execution; tested recovery; quarterly review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Independent challenge; strongest identity; deterministic enforcement; comprehensive evidence; canary release; continuous monitoring.

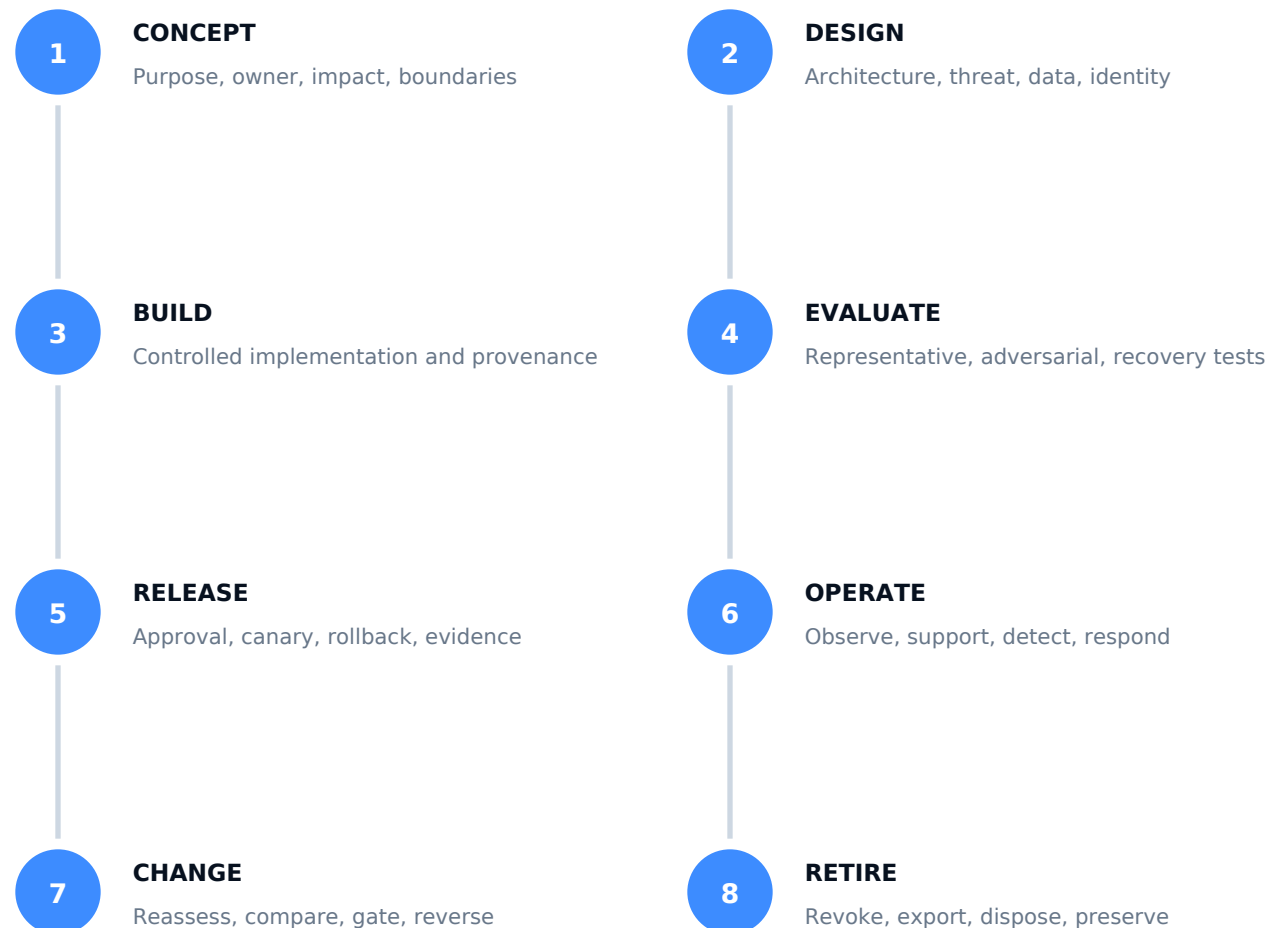
Profile selection rule

Choose the highest profile triggered by consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, scale, irreversibility, external dependency, or inability to rapidly detect and recover. Tailoring may strengthen controls; it may not erase a mandatory gate without a controlled exception.

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9.2 Operational Lifecycle

Evidence-bearing operation from concept through retirement



LIFECYCLE INVARIANT

Every stage **MUST** leave sufficient evidence for the next authority to understand what was intended, what changed, what was tested, what failed, what was accepted, what remains uncertain, and how to recover or exit.

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10. Adoption Roadmap

A sequenced path from uncontrolled capability to evidence-bearing operation

0-30 DAYS**Establish ownership and truth**

Inventory systems and dependencies; classify risk; freeze unsupported claims; identify immediate privilege, data, and evidence gaps.

31-90 DAYS**Create enforceable boundaries**

Define policy; isolate execution; implement identity and approval gates; establish representative evaluation and baseline telemetry.

3-6 MONTHS**Prove recovery and operating control**

Exercise failure, rollback, revocation, incident, provider exit, and state-recovery scenarios; mature evidence packaging.

6-12 MONTHS**Scale assurance**

Automate control checks; expand workload coverage; independent challenge; portfolio metrics; controlled exception expiry; continuous reassessment.

Adoption is complete only when operating evidence demonstrates the selected profile in the actual deployment context. Documentation alone is not conformance.

10.2 Conformance and Exception Statement

What an assurance claim must contain

SYSTEM / SERVICE Named, versioned capability and deployment boundary.	PROFILE Foundational, Advanced, or High Assurance with trigger rationale.
SCOPE Workloads, users, data, tools, regions, providers, and exclusions.	CRITERIA Pass, partial, fail, not applicable, and exception status for every criterion.
EVIDENCE Artifact references, evidence grade, date, environment, and reproducibility.	LIMITATIONS Known failure modes, unsupported workloads, uncertainty, and residual risk.
EXCEPTIONS Owner, rationale, compensating control, expiration, and approval.	VALIDITY Assessment date, change boundary, review date, and reassessment triggers.

Prohibited claim: “compliant” without the named scope, profile, evidence date, limitations, exceptions, and authority accepting residual risk.

11. Source Authority and Reference Register

Primary sources informing interpretation; verify current status at assessment time

NIST CSF 2.0

Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.CSWP.29>

Enterprise governance and cybersecurity outcome framework.

ISO 13482

Robots and Robotic Devices - Safety Requirements for Personal Care Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/53820.html>

Safety framework for service and personal-care robot classes.

NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-53r5>

Broad organizational control baseline for technology systems and services.

NIST AI RMF 1.0

Artificial Intelligence Risk Management Framework

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.AI.100-1>

Risk management structure for trustworthy AI capabilities used in autonomous systems.

ISO 10218-1:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73933.html>

Current industrial robot design and inherent-safety requirements.

NIST Response Robot Test Methods

Standard Test Methods for Response Robots

<https://www.nist.gov/el/intelligent-systems-division-73500/standard-test-methods-response-robots>

Repeatable mobility, sensing, manipulation, endurance, and operator-proficiency tests.

ISO 10218-2:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robot Applications and Cells

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73934.html>

Current integration, commissioning, operation, maintenance, and disposal requirements.

Source currency rule: authorities, specifications, laws, provider services, hardware, protocols, standards status, and research evidence MUST be checked at assessment time. This publication records a 2026-07-24 source snapshot.

11.2 Revision History and Decision Register

Permanent identity, controlled change, and publication integrity

VERSION	DATE	STATE	SUMMARY
1.0.0-candidate	2026-07-24	Candidate	Permanent-publication edition; source refresh; expanded criteria, evidence, assurance, and lifecycle guidance.
Next review	2027-01-24	Scheduled	Review source currency, threat evolution, operating evidence, adoption feedback, and proposed revisions.

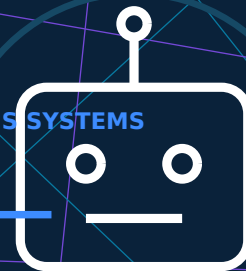
Publication decisions

- PERMANENT IDENTITY** The document ID remains stable across revisions; batch or production sequence metadata is not public identity.
- CHANGE CONTROL** Normative changes require rationale, impact analysis, affected-criterion mapping, and approval.
- SUPERSESION** A superseded edition remains traceable; current routes and catalogs identify the active edition.
- CORRECTION** Material errors require a recorded correction, affected-evidence analysis, and notification appropriate to impact.
- ARCHIVAL INTEGRITY** Published artifacts receive hashes, metadata, and a release manifest sufficient for independent verification.



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Autonomous Decision, Planning, and Human Oversight Standard



Operational design domain, autonomy levels, planning, constraints, uncertainty, human supervision, intervention, contestability, verification, and evidence.

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Research / Pilot / Operational
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Publication doctrine. This publication establishes durable requirements for its defined scope. Interpretation must preserve the permanent document identity, required evidence, controlled exceptions, source currency, and formal revision history.

EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND ASSURANCE TOPOLOGY

Robotics and Autonomous Systems

A trustworthy autonomous decision and planning program is a governed path from research claim through baseline, experiment, safety and security challenge, transition decision, bounded operation, and preserved evidence.

CLASSIFY

Separate established practice, candidate standard, reproduced result, vendor claim, implementation hypothesis, and open research.

EXPERIMENT

Declare baseline, configuration, uncertainty, scenario coverage, stop conditions, and independent reproduction before conclusions.

CONSTRAIN

Identity, policy, safety envelopes, physical boundaries, cryptographic authority, and human intervention limit consequence.

TRANSITION

Adoption, pilot, production, rollback, supplier exit, lifecycle, and retirement decisions remain evidence-bearing and reversible.

EVIDENCE - BOUND TRANSITION FLOW



No novelty claim becomes an operational claim without reproduced evidence and an explicit authority decision

INTERPRETATION AND ASSURANCE

How to apply this publication

Normative intent

Requirements define outcomes and constraints. Implementations may vary, but evidence must demonstrate equivalent control.

Evidence over assertion

Vendor documentation and design intent are not equivalent to reproduced behavior. Record evidence grade and uncertainty.

Risk-proportional depth

Higher consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, and irreversibility require stronger isolation, review, verification, and recovery.

Controlled exception

Exceptions require an owner, rationale, compensating control, residual-risk acceptance, expiration, and reevaluation trigger.

Normalized assessment scale



A numeric score must never hide a failed mandatory gate, missing evidence, untested workload, or unacceptable residual risk.

INTERACTIVE NAVIGATION

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Navigation doctrine

Bookmarks and internal links are conveniences. Permanent document identity, criterion identifiers, evidence references, and revision history remain authoritative.

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0. Executive Mandate

Research value, transition discipline, and non-negotiable evidence boundaries

MANDATE

Organizations evaluating autonomous decision and planning **MUST** separate research from operational authority, establish a reproducible baseline, constrain safety and security consequence, disclose uncertainty, and require a documented transition or rejection decision.

Required outcomes

- Establish a durable, product-neutral evidence system for autonomous decision and planning.
- Prevent novelty, investment, vendor prestige, roadmap language, or laboratory success from substituting for operational proof.
- Require representative performance, adversarial, failure, recovery, safety, privacy, and lifecycle evidence.
- Keep pilots bounded by identity, authority, environment, duration, budget, stop conditions, and rollback.
- Preserve rejected alternatives, limitations, residual risk, source currency, and reassessment triggers.

Decision boundary: conformance supports a bounded engineering assurance position. It does not prove scientific consensus, regulatory approval, universal safety, quantum advantage, cryptographic perfection, autonomous competence, or commercial viability.

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1. Scope and Applicability

Research, pilot, transition, operational, and retirement boundaries

IN SCOPE

- Research, architecture, acquisition, experiment, pilot, transition, operation, and retirement of autonomous decision and planning.
- Hardware, software, models, data, protocols, facilities, people, suppliers, providers, physical processes, and evidence.
- Laboratory, simulation, testbed, shadow, pilot, canary, production, and field deployment states.
- Claims, benchmarks, uncertainty, safety, security, privacy, economics, interoperability, support, and exit.

OUT OF SCOPE

- Scientific truth inferred from a single benchmark, simulation, provider, hardware generation, or laboratory configuration.
- Safety, regulatory, export, spectrum, airspace, clinical, cryptographic, or standards approval not granted by the responsible authority.
- Roadmap forecasts, token price, patent counts, press releases, or investment treated as engineering evidence.
- Hidden production use of research components outside the declared transition and assurance boundary.

Applicability triggers

- The capability is novel, rapidly changing, weakly standardized, difficult to reproduce, or dependent on immature suppliers.
- A claim concerns safety, security, privacy, physical action, critical infrastructure, cryptographic trust, or consequential autonomy.
- The system requires specialized facilities, scarce hardware, spectrum, foundry, cryogenic, optical, robotics, or field-test dependencies.
- Failure or lock-in may create long-lived data, capital, infrastructure, workforce, or regulatory consequences.
- A research component is proposed for pilot, customer, production, public, or externally relied-upon use.

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2. Definitions and Taxonomy

Controlled language for architecture, governance, and assessment

AUTHORITY

The right to approve, deny, constrain, or execute an action. Model output is not authority.

EVIDENCE

A reproducible source, trace, measurement, test, record, signed artifact, or documented observation supporting a claim.

ASSURANCE VIEW

A defined perspective such as governance, architecture, security, operations, privacy, or human oversight.

ATOMIC CRITERION

A uniquely identified requirement that can be assessed, evidenced, excepted, and revised independently.

IMPLEMENTATION PROFILE

A risk-proportional set of required depth, evidence, and gates for a class of use.

CONTROLLED EXCEPTION

A time-bounded deviation with owner, rationale, compensating control, residual risk, expiration, and review trigger.

DETERMINISTIC MECHANISM

A component whose inputs, policy, state transition, and side effects can be constrained and verified.

SOURCE AUTHORITY

The documented basis for treating a source as reliable for a defined claim, context, jurisdiction, and time.

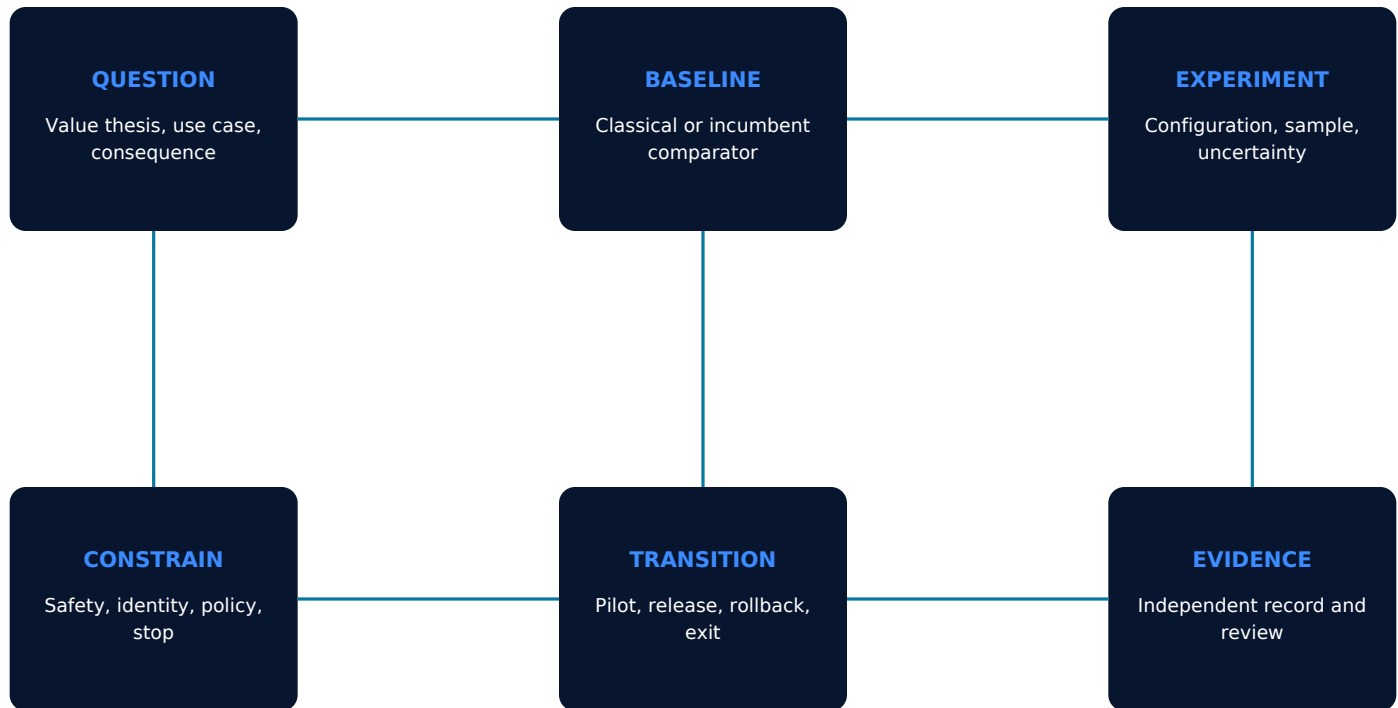
REASSESSMENT TRIGGER

A change, incident, drift signal, dependency revision, or time boundary requiring renewed evaluation.

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3. Architecture and Trust Model

Separation of research, authority, physical systems, runtime, and evidence



Mandatory trust boundaries

- Research systems **MUST NOT** inherit production identity, secrets, authority, data, networks, or physical control by convenience.
- Claims **MUST** retain the exact hardware, software, model, protocol, calibration, environment, workload, and observation boundary.
- Safety, cryptographic, physical, spectrum, autonomy, and human-intervention constraints **MUST** remain independently enforceable.
- Transition **MUST** have a named decision authority, acceptance criteria, monitored pilot, rollback, supplier exit, and retirement path.
- Evidence **MUST** remain reviewable when a vendor, cloud, token network, laboratory, model, robot, or quantum backend is unavailable.

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4. Governance and Accountability

Decision rights, separation of duties, and lifecycle ownership

ACCOUNTABLE OWNER

Accepts scope, risk tolerance, funding, and residual risk.

SYSTEM OWNER

Maintains architecture, inventory, operating boundaries, and change control.

SECURITY / PRIVACY

Defines threat, identity, data, isolation, monitoring, and incident requirements.

EVALUATION AUTHORITY

Designs representative tests, gates releases, and preserves reproducibility.

OPERATIONS

Maintains availability, rollback, recovery, evidence, and incident handling.

HUMAN OVERSIGHT

Reviews consequential decisions, exceptions, disputed outcomes, and harm signals.

DECISION PRINCIPLE

No single actor should be able to define the objective, grant authority, execute the consequential action, suppress evidence, and approve the result. Separation must be technical where consequence requires it.

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MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C01

Autonomy Scope, Authority, and Decision Boundary

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain autonomy scope, authority, and decision boundary for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C02

Operational Design Domain and Exclusion Conditions

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain operational design domain and exclusion conditions for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C03

Goal, Utility, Constraint, and Safety Specification

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain goal, utility, constraint, and safety specification for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C04

World Model, State Estimation, and Belief Uncertainty

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain world model, state estimation, and belief uncertainty for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C05**Planner, Policy, Search, and Optimization Governance**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain planner, policy, search, and optimization governance for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C06**Action Feasibility and Safety-Envelope Enforcement**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain action feasibility and safety-envelope enforcement for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C07**Human Role, Supervision, and Responsibility**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain human role, supervision, and responsibility for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C08**Intervention, Takeover, Stop, and Safe-State Behavior**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain intervention, takeover, stop, and safe-state behavior for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

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Confidence, Abstention, and Out-of-Distribution Detection

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain confidence, abstention, and out-of-distribution detection for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

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Explainability, Decision Trace, and Contestability

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain explainability, decision trace, and contestability for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

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Reward, Objective, Proxy, and Goodhart Risk

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain reward, objective, proxy, and goodhart risk for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

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Adversarial, Deceptive, and Conflicting Instruction Handling

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain adversarial, deceptive, and conflicting instruction handling for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C13 Simulation, Formal Analysis, and Scenario Coverage

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain simulation, formal analysis, and scenario coverage for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C14 Field Trial, Shadow Mode, and Progressive Release

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain field trial, shadow mode, and progressive release for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C15 Monitoring, Drift, Learning, and Update Control

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain monitoring, drift, learning, and update control for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

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MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C16**Failure Recovery, Mission Abort, and Post-Incident Review**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain failure recovery, mission abort, and post-incident review for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C17**Legal, Ethical, Rights, and Public-Impact Review**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain legal, ethical, rights, and public-impact review for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0002-C18**Decision Evidence, Approval Gate, and Reassessment**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain decision evidence, approval gate, and reassessment for the declared autonomous decision and planning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

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6. Evidence and Assessment

Reproduce, compare, challenge, observe, recover, and trace

EXAMINE

Research papers, standards, designs, bills of material, protocols, source, models, data, calibration, configurations, contracts, and claims.

REPRODUCE

Repeat the experiment or assessment with captured versions, seeds, parameters, environment, uncertainty, and acceptance criteria.

COMPARE

Use an honest incumbent, classical, manual, or alternative baseline with equivalent outcome, data, scale, and resource accounting.

CHALLENGE

Apply adversarial input, environmental variation, dependency loss, fault injection, safety cases, security tests, and boundary conditions.

OBSERVE

Measure field or production-like quality, latency, energy, drift, physical behavior, interventions, failures, maintenance, and user impact.

TRACE

Link claim, authority, experiment, configuration, evidence, decision, pilot, change, incident, rollback, and reassessment.

Evidence grades

A

Independently reproduced, current, representative, uncertainty-bounded, integrity-protected, and operationally relevant.

B

Reproduced by the implementing organization with strong provenance, comparator, challenge, and declared limitations.

C

Partial, laboratory-only, simulation-heavy, inherited, or indirect evidence with material uncertainty and dependencies.

D

Roadmap, assertion, demonstration, benchmark excerpt, patent, token metric, press release, or vendor statement without...

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7. Assurance Views

Six perspectives required for a complete assurance claim

GOVERNANCE

Ownership, purpose, risk tolerance, policy, exception, and decision rights.

ARCHITECTURE

Boundaries, dependencies, failure modes, state, data flow, and portability.

SECURITY

Identity, authorization, isolation, secrets, abuse resistance, and incident response.

OPERATIONS

Reliability, performance, cost, observability, change, recovery, and support.

PRIVACY / RIGHTS

Purpose limitation, minimization, consent, access, correction, deletion, and egress.

HUMAN / SOCIETAL

Usability, accessibility, disclosure, contestability, impact, and human control.

Conformance requires a defensible position across every applicable view. A strong aggregate score cannot compensate for an unowned system, a failed mandatory gate, untested recovery, or evidence below the accepted grade.

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7.2 Evaluation Metrics and Decision Gates

Measures expose utility, uncertainty, safety, physical limits, transition cost, and lifecycle burden

UTILITY

Task outcome, comparator delta, coverage, quality, accuracy, mission success, and stakeholder value.

UNCERTAINTY

Confidence, calibration, variance, sample coverage, reproducibility, sensitivity, and unresolved assumptions.

PERFORMANCE

Latency, throughput, fidelity, range, precision, bandwidth, scale, density, and availability.

SAFETY / SECURITY

Hazard exposure, unsafe action, exploitability, spoofing, physical consequence, intervention, and containment.

RESOURCE

Energy, power, cooling, spectrum, shots, qubits, memory, materials, facility, operator, and maintenance demand.

MATURITY

Standards state, supply chain, interoperability, tooling, skills, support, qualification, and lifecycle readiness.

ECONOMICS

Acquisition, operation, provider, token, facility, migration, insurance, support, and opportunity cost.

TRANSITION

Pilot escape, rollback time, incumbent fallback, portability, lock-in, retirement, and evidence completeness.

Decision gate: thresholds **MUST** be declared before assessment, include an incumbent baseline and uncertainty statement, and identify any safety, security, cryptographic, physical, reproducibility, or rollback failure that blocks transition.

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8. Failure Modes and Adversarial Scenarios

Challenge assumptions before the system is trusted with consequential work

UNSAFE AUTONOMY

The robot acts outside its operational design domain or safety envelope.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

PERCEPTION COLLAPSE

Occlusion, weather, spoofing, drift, calibration, or domain shift produces hazardous state estimates.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

HUMAN INTERVENTION FAILURE

Operators cannot understand, stop, take over, or recover the system in time.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

CYBER-PHYSICAL COMMAND ABUSE

Compromised identity, network, software, model, or tool issues unsafe motion or process actions.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

FLEET-CORRELATED FAILURE

A map, model, update, scheduler, battery, cloud, or communications dependency affects many robots at once.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

LEARNING REGRESSION

A model or skill update degrades safety, task quality, fairness, explainability, or recovery behavior.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

Adversarial testing MUST protect people and production systems. Use isolated environments, synthetic or minimized data, bounded authority, kill switches, explicit legal and ethical review, and documented stop conditions.

9. Implementation Profiles

Risk-proportional implementation without weakening mandatory boundaries

FOUNDATIONAL	ADVANCED	HIGH ASSURANCE
TYPICAL SCOPE Low consequence, limited autonomy, non-sensitive data, reversible outputs.	TYPICAL SCOPE Business-critical workflow, sensitive data, multiple tools or providers, moderate autonomy.	TYPICAL SCOPE Safety, security, regulated, financial, identity, or broadly consequential use.
MINIMUM DEPTH Named owner; inventory; basic evaluation; access control; logging; rollback; annual review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Formal threat model; representative evaluation; approval gates; isolated execution; tested recovery; quarterly review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Independent challenge; strongest identity; deterministic enforcement; comprehensive evidence; canary release; continuous monitoring.

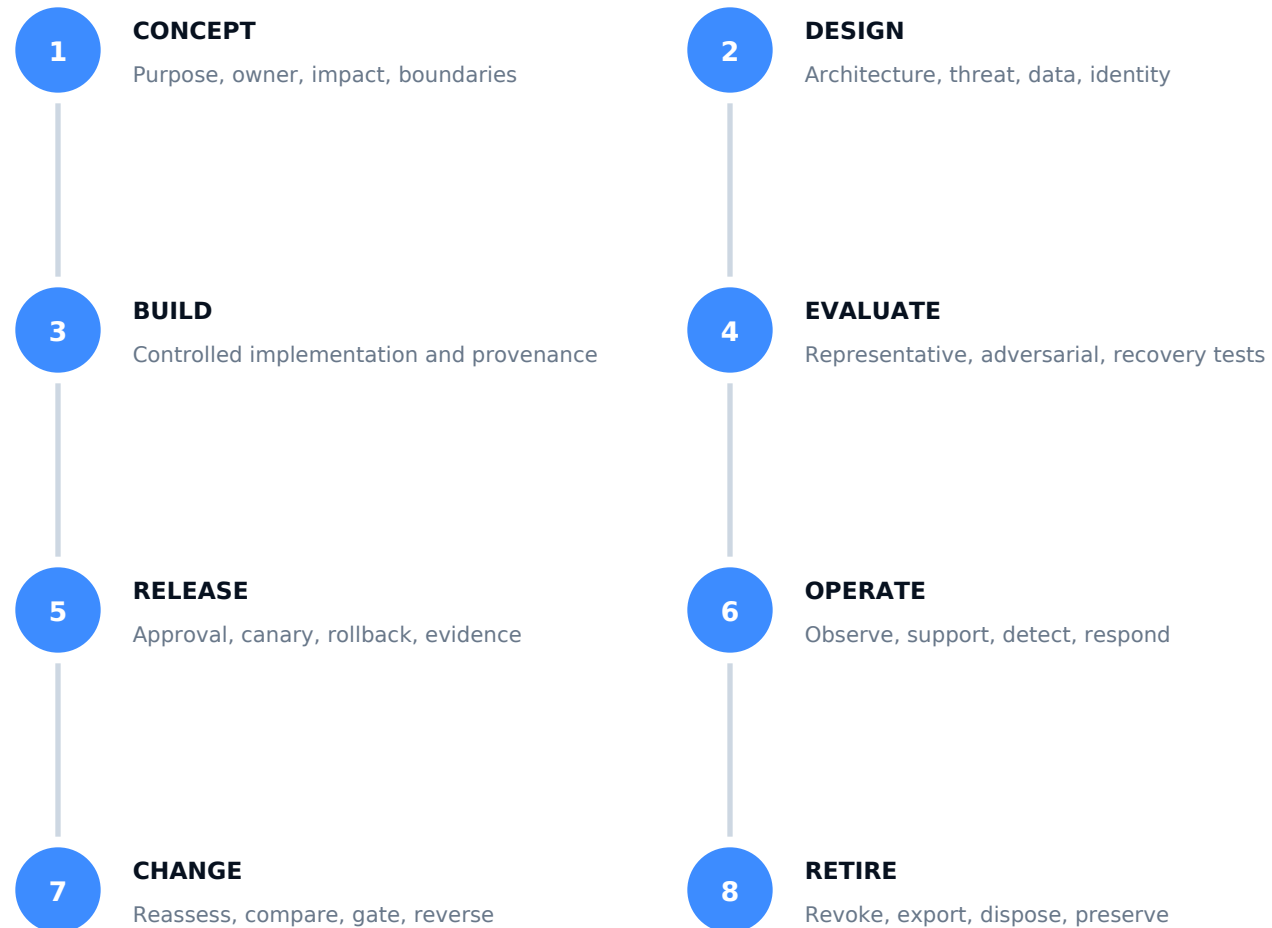
Profile selection rule

Choose the highest profile triggered by consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, scale, irreversibility, external dependency, or inability to rapidly detect and recover. Tailoring may strengthen controls; it may not erase a mandatory gate without a controlled exception.

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9.2 Operational Lifecycle

Evidence-bearing operation from concept through retirement



LIFECYCLE INVARIANT

Every stage **MUST** leave sufficient evidence for the next authority to understand what was intended, what changed, what was tested, what failed, what was accepted, what remains uncertain, and how to recover or exit.

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10. Adoption Roadmap

A sequenced path from uncontrolled capability to evidence-bearing operation

0-30 DAYS**Establish ownership and truth**

Inventory systems and dependencies; classify risk; freeze unsupported claims; identify immediate privilege, data, and evidence gaps.

31-90 DAYS**Create enforceable boundaries**

Define policy; isolate execution; implement identity and approval gates; establish representative evaluation and baseline telemetry.

3-6 MONTHS**Prove recovery and operating control**

Exercise failure, rollback, revocation, incident, provider exit, and state-recovery scenarios; mature evidence packaging.

6-12 MONTHS**Scale assurance**

Automate control checks; expand workload coverage; independent challenge; portfolio metrics; controlled exception expiry; continuous reassessment.

Adoption is complete only when operating evidence demonstrates the selected profile in the actual deployment context. Documentation alone is not conformance.

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10.2 Conformance and Exception Statement

What an assurance claim must contain

SYSTEM / SERVICE

Named, versioned capability and deployment boundary.

PROFILE

Foundational, Advanced, or High Assurance with trigger rationale.

SCOPE

Workloads, users, data, tools, regions, providers, and exclusions.

CRITERIA

Pass, partial, fail, not applicable, and exception status for every criterion.

EVIDENCE

Artifact references, evidence grade, date, environment, and reproducibility.

LIMITATIONS

Known failure modes, unsupported workloads, uncertainty, and residual risk.

EXCEPTIONS

Owner, rationale, compensating control, expiration, and approval.

VALIDITY

Assessment date, change boundary, review date, and reassessment triggers.

Prohibited claim: “compliant” without the named scope, profile, evidence date, limitations, exceptions, and authority accepting residual risk.

11. Source Authority and Reference Register

Primary sources informing interpretation; verify current status at assessment time

NIST CSF 2.0

Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.CSWP.29>

Enterprise governance and cybersecurity outcome framework.

ISO 13482

Robots and Robotic Devices - Safety Requirements for Personal Care Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/53820.html>

Safety framework for service and personal-care robot classes.

NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-53r5>

Broad organizational control baseline for technology systems and services.

NIST AI RMF 1.0

Artificial Intelligence Risk Management Framework

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.AI.100-1>

Risk management structure for trustworthy AI capabilities used in autonomous systems.

ISO 10218-1:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73933.html>

Current industrial robot design and inherent-safety requirements.

NIST Response Robot Test Methods

Standard Test Methods for Response Robots

<https://www.nist.gov/el/intelligent-systems-division-73500/standard-test-methods-response-robots>

Repeatable mobility, sensing, manipulation, endurance, and operator-proficiency tests.

ISO 10218-2:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robot Applications and Cells

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73934.html>

Current integration, commissioning, operation, maintenance, and disposal requirements.

Source currency rule: authorities, specifications, laws, provider services, hardware, protocols, standards status, and research evidence MUST be checked at assessment time. This publication records a 2026-07-24 source snapshot.

11.2 Revision History and Decision Register

Permanent identity, controlled change, and publication integrity

VERSION	DATE	STATE	SUMMARY
1.0.0-candidate	2026-07-24	Candidate	Permanent-publication edition; source refresh; expanded criteria, evidence, assurance, and lifecycle guidance.
Next review	2027-01-24	Scheduled	Review source currency, threat evolution, operating evidence, adoption feedback, and proposed revisions.

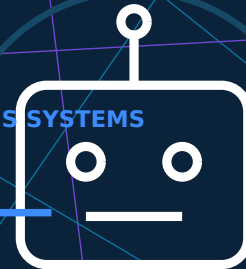
Publication decisions

- PERMANENT IDENTITY** The document ID remains stable across revisions; batch or production sequence metadata is not public identity.
- CHANGE CONTROL** Normative changes require rationale, impact analysis, affected-criterion mapping, and approval.
- SUPERSESION** A superseded edition remains traceable; current routes and catalogs identify the active edition.
- CORRECTION** Material errors require a recorded correction, affected-evidence analysis, and notification appropriate to impact.
- ARCHIVAL INTEGRITY** Published artifacts receive hashes, metadata, and a release manifest sufficient for independent verification.



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Industrial Robotics, Collaborative Robot, and Cell Integration Standard



Industrial robot integration, collaborative operation, safeguarding, tooling, process hazards, commissioning, production monitoring, maintenance, and evidence.

PERMANENT DOCUMENT ID

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High Assurance

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND ASSURANCE TOPOLOGY

Robotics and Autonomous Systems

A trustworthy industrial robotics and collaborative cells program is a governed path from research claim through baseline, experiment, safety and security challenge, transition decision, bounded operation, and preserved evidence.

CLASSIFY

Separate established practice, candidate standard, reproduced result, vendor claim, implementation hypothesis, and open research.

EXPERIMENT

Declare baseline, configuration, uncertainty, scenario coverage, stop conditions, and independent reproduction before conclusions.

CONSTRAIN

Identity, policy, safety envelopes, physical boundaries, cryptographic authority, and human intervention limit consequence.

TRANSITION

Adoption, pilot, production, rollback, supplier exit, lifecycle, and retirement decisions remain evidence-bearing and reversible.

EVIDENCE - BOUND TRANSITION FLOW



No novelty claim becomes an operational claim without reproduced evidence and an explicit authority decision

INTERPRETATION AND ASSURANCE

How to apply this publication

Normative intent

Requirements define outcomes and constraints. Implementations may vary, but evidence must demonstrate equivalent control.

Evidence over assertion

Vendor documentation and design intent are not equivalent to reproduced behavior. Record evidence grade and uncertainty.

Risk-proportional depth

Higher consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, and irreversibility require stronger isolation, review, verification, and recovery.

Controlled exception

Exceptions require an owner, rationale, compensating control, residual-risk acceptance, expiration, and reevaluation trigger.

Normalized assessment scale

0	1	2	3	4	5
ABSENT	AD HOC	PARTIAL	OPERATIONAL	ADVANCED	LEADING

A numeric score must never hide a failed mandatory gate, missing evidence, untested workload, or unacceptable residual risk.

INTERACTIVE NAVIGATION

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Navigation doctrine

Bookmarks and internal links are conveniences. Permanent document identity, criterion identifiers, evidence references, and revision history remain authoritative.

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0. Executive Mandate

Research value, transition discipline, and non-negotiable evidence boundaries

MANDATE

Organizations evaluating industrial robotics and collaborative cells **MUST** separate research from operational authority, establish a reproducible baseline, constrain safety and security consequence, disclose uncertainty, and require a documented transition or rejection decision.

Required outcomes

- Establish a durable, product-neutral evidence system for industrial robotics and collaborative cells.
- Prevent novelty, investment, vendor prestige, roadmap language, or laboratory success from substituting for operational proof.
- Require representative performance, adversarial, failure, recovery, safety, privacy, and lifecycle evidence.
- Keep pilots bounded by identity, authority, environment, duration, budget, stop conditions, and rollback.
- Preserve rejected alternatives, limitations, residual risk, source currency, and reassessment triggers.

Decision boundary: conformance supports a bounded engineering assurance position. It does not prove scientific consensus, regulatory approval, universal safety, quantum advantage, cryptographic perfection, autonomous competence, or commercial viability.

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1. Scope and Applicability

Research, pilot, transition, operational, and retirement boundaries

IN SCOPE

- Research, architecture, acquisition, experiment, pilot, transition, operation, and retirement of industrial robotics and collaborative cells.
- Hardware, software, models, data, protocols, facilities, people, suppliers, providers, physical processes, and evidence.
- Laboratory, simulation, testbed, shadow, pilot, canary, production, and field deployment states.
- Claims, benchmarks, uncertainty, safety, security, privacy, economics, interoperability, support, and exit.

OUT OF SCOPE

- Scientific truth inferred from a single benchmark, simulation, provider, hardware generation, or laboratory configuration.
- Safety, regulatory, export, spectrum, airspace, clinical, cryptographic, or standards approval not granted by the responsible authority.
- Roadmap forecasts, token price, patent counts, press releases, or investment treated as engineering evidence.
- Hidden production use of research components outside the declared transition and assurance boundary.

Applicability triggers

- The capability is novel, rapidly changing, weakly standardized, difficult to reproduce, or dependent on immature suppliers.
- A claim concerns safety, security, privacy, physical action, critical infrastructure, cryptographic trust, or consequential autonomy.
- The system requires specialized facilities, scarce hardware, spectrum, foundry, cryogenic, optical, robotics, or field-test dependencies.
- Failure or lock-in may create long-lived data, capital, infrastructure, workforce, or regulatory consequences.
- A research component is proposed for pilot, customer, production, public, or externally relied-upon use.

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2. Definitions and Taxonomy

Controlled language for architecture, governance, and assessment

AUTHORITY

The right to approve, deny, constrain, or execute an action. Model output is not authority.

EVIDENCE

A reproducible source, trace, measurement, test, record, signed artifact, or documented observation supporting a claim.

ASSURANCE VIEW

A defined perspective such as governance, architecture, security, operations, privacy, or human oversight.

ATOMIC CRITERION

A uniquely identified requirement that can be assessed, evidenced, excepted, and revised independently.

IMPLEMENTATION PROFILE

A risk-proportional set of required depth, evidence, and gates for a class of use.

CONTROLLED EXCEPTION

A time-bounded deviation with owner, rationale, compensating control, residual risk, expiration, and review trigger.

DETERMINISTIC MECHANISM

A component whose inputs, policy, state transition, and side effects can be constrained and verified.

SOURCE AUTHORITY

The documented basis for treating a source as reliable for a defined claim, context, jurisdiction, and time.

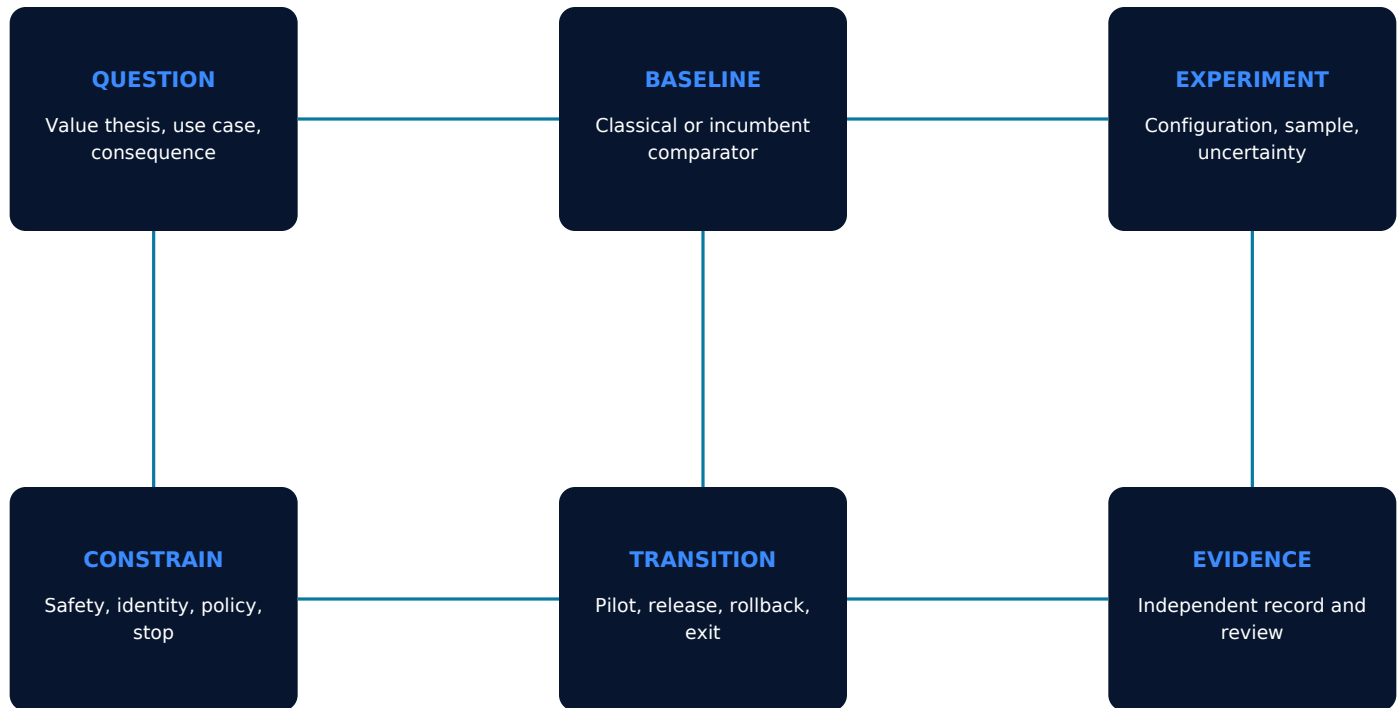
REASSESSMENT TRIGGER

A change, incident, drift signal, dependency revision, or time boundary requiring renewed evaluation.

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3. Architecture and Trust Model

Separation of research, authority, physical systems, runtime, and evidence



Mandatory trust boundaries

- Research systems **MUST NOT** inherit production identity, secrets, authority, data, networks, or physical control by convenience.
- Claims **MUST** retain the exact hardware, software, model, protocol, calibration, environment, workload, and observation boundary.
- Safety, cryptographic, physical, spectrum, autonomy, and human-intervention constraints **MUST** remain independently enforceable.
- Transition **MUST** have a named decision authority, acceptance criteria, monitored pilot, rollback, supplier exit, and retirement path.
- Evidence **MUST** remain reviewable when a vendor, cloud, token network, laboratory, model, robot, or quantum backend is unavailable.

4. Governance and Accountability

Decision rights, separation of duties, and lifecycle ownership

ACCOUNTABLE OWNER

Accepts scope, risk tolerance, funding, and residual risk.

SYSTEM OWNER

Maintains architecture, inventory, operating boundaries, and change control.

SECURITY / PRIVACY

Defines threat, identity, data, isolation, monitoring, and incident requirements.

EVALUATION AUTHORITY

Designs representative tests, gates releases, and preserves reproducibility.

OPERATIONS

Maintains availability, rollback, recovery, evidence, and incident handling.

HUMAN OVERSIGHT

Reviews consequential decisions, exceptions, disputed outcomes, and harm signals.

DECISION PRINCIPLE

No single actor should be able to define the objective, grant authority, execute the consequential action, suppress evidence, and approve the result. Separation must be technical where consequence requires it.

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5. Normative Control System

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MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C01

Robot and Cell Integration Responsibility

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain robot and cell integration responsibility for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C02

Machine, Process, Material, and Tool Hazard Inventory

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain machine, process, material, and tool hazard inventory for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C03

Layout, Access, Guarding, and Safeguarding

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain layout, access, guarding, and safeguarding for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C04

Collaborative Application and Contact-Risk Assessment

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain collaborative application and contact-risk assessment for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C05**Speed and Separation Monitoring**

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain speed and separation monitoring for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C06**Power and Force Limiting**

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain power and force limiting for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C07**Hand Guiding and Monitored Stop**

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain hand guiding and monitored stop for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C08**Safety-Rated Control, Interlock, and Reset Logic**

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain safety-rated control, interlock, and reset logic for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

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Tool Change, End-Effector, Fixture, and Payload Control

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain tool change, end-effector, fixture, and payload control for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

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Process-Specific Heat, Fume, Pressure, Sharp, and Chemical Risk

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain process-specific heat, fume, pressure, sharp, and chemical risk for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C11

Teaching, Programming, Maintenance, and Bypass Modes

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain teaching, programming, maintenance, and bypass modes for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C12

Network, Remote Support, and Engineering Access

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain network, remote support, and engineering access for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C13**Commissioning, Validation, and Acceptance Test**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain commissioning, validation, and acceptance test for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C14**Production Quality, Cycle, Fault, and Safety Monitoring**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain production quality, cycle, fault, and safety monitoring for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C15**Operator Training, Procedure, and Competency**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain operator training, procedure, and competency for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

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MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C16**Modification, Relocation, and Revalidation**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain modification, relocation, and revalidation for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C17**Rescue, Recovery, Lockout, and Stored Energy**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain rescue, recovery, lockout, and stored energy for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0003-C18**Lifecycle Evidence and Periodic Inspection**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain lifecycle evidence and periodic inspection for the declared industrial robotics and collaborative cells boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

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6. Evidence and Assessment

Reproduce, compare, challenge, observe, and trace

EXAMINE

Research papers, standards, designs, bills of material, protocols, source, models, data, calibration, configurations, contracts, and claims.

REPRODUCE

Repeat the experiment or assessment with captured versions, seeds, parameters, environment, uncertainty, and acceptance criteria.

COMPARE

Use an honest incumbent, classical, manual, or alternative baseline with equivalent outcome, data, scale, and resource accounting.

CHALLENGE

Apply adversarial input, environmental variation, dependency loss, fault injection, safety cases, security tests, and boundary conditions.

OBSERVE

Measure field or production-like quality, latency, energy, drift, physical behavior, interventions, failures, maintenance, and user impact.

TRACE

Link claim, authority, experiment, configuration, evidence, decision, pilot, change, incident, rollback, and reassessment.

Evidence grades

A

Independently reproduced, current, representative, uncertainty-bounded, integrity-protected, and operationally relevant.

B

Reproduced by the implementing organization with strong provenance, comparator, challenge, and declared limitations.

C

Partial, laboratory-only, simulation-heavy, inherited, or indirect evidence with material uncertainty and dependencies.

D

Roadmap, assertion, demonstration, benchmark excerpt, patent, token metric, press release, or vendor statement without...

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7. Assurance Views

Six perspectives required for a complete assurance claim

GOVERNANCE

Ownership, purpose, risk tolerance, policy, exception, and decision rights.

ARCHITECTURE

Boundaries, dependencies, failure modes, state, data flow, and portability.

SECURITY

Identity, authorization, isolation, secrets, abuse resistance, and incident response.

OPERATIONS

Reliability, performance, cost, observability, change, recovery, and support.

PRIVACY / RIGHTS

Purpose limitation, minimization, consent, access, correction, deletion, and egress.

HUMAN / SOCIETAL

Usability, accessibility, disclosure, contestability, impact, and human control.

Conformance requires a defensible position across every applicable view. A strong aggregate score cannot compensate for an unowned system, a failed mandatory gate, untested recovery, or evidence below the accepted grade.

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7.2 Evaluation Metrics and Decision Gates

Measures expose utility, uncertainty, safety, physical limits, transition cost, and lifecycle burden

UTILITY

Task outcome, comparator delta, coverage, quality, accuracy, mission success, and stakeholder value.

UNCERTAINTY

Confidence, calibration, variance, sample coverage, reproducibility, sensitivity, and unresolved assumptions.

PERFORMANCE

Latency, throughput, fidelity, range, precision, bandwidth, scale, density, and availability.

SAFETY / SECURITY

Hazard exposure, unsafe action, exploitability, spoofing, physical consequence, intervention, and containment.

RESOURCE

Energy, power, cooling, spectrum, shots, qubits, memory, materials, facility, operator, and maintenance demand.

MATURITY

Standards state, supply chain, interoperability, tooling, skills, support, qualification, and lifecycle readiness.

ECONOMICS

Acquisition, operation, provider, token, facility, migration, insurance, support, and opportunity cost.

TRANSITION

Pilot escape, rollback time, incumbent fallback, portability, lock-in, retirement, and evidence completeness.

Decision gate: thresholds **MUST** be declared before assessment, include an incumbent baseline and uncertainty statement, and identify any safety, security, cryptographic, physical, reproducibility, or rollback failure that blocks transition.

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8. Failure Modes and Adversarial Scenarios

Challenge assumptions before the system is trusted with consequential work

UNSAFE AUTONOMY

The robot acts outside its operational design domain or safety envelope.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

PERCEPTION COLLAPSE

Occlusion, weather, spoofing, drift, calibration, or domain shift produces hazardous state estimates.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

HUMAN INTERVENTION FAILURE

Operators cannot understand, stop, take over, or recover the system in time.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

CYBER-PHYSICAL COMMAND ABUSE

Compromised identity, network, software, model, or tool issues unsafe motion or process actions.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

FLEET-CORRELATED FAILURE

A map, model, update, scheduler, battery, cloud, or communications dependency affects many robots at once.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

LEARNING REGRESSION

A model or skill update degrades safety, task quality, fairness, explainability, or recovery behavior.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

Adversarial testing MUST protect people and production systems. Use isolated environments, synthetic or minimized data, bounded authority, kill switches, explicit legal and ethical review, and documented stop conditions.

9. Implementation Profiles

Risk-proportional implementation without weakening mandatory boundaries

FOUNDATIONAL TYPICAL SCOPE Low consequence, limited autonomy, non-sensitive data, reversible outputs. MINIMUM DEPTH Named owner; inventory; basic evaluation; access control; logging; rollback; annual review.	ADVANCED TYPICAL SCOPE Business-critical workflow, sensitive data, multiple tools or providers, moderate autonomy. MINIMUM DEPTH Formal threat model; representative evaluation; approval gates; isolated execution; tested recovery; quarterly review.	HIGH ASSURANCE TYPICAL SCOPE Safety, security, regulated, financial, identity, or broadly consequential use. MINIMUM DEPTH Independent challenge; strongest identity; deterministic enforcement; comprehensive evidence; canary release; continuous monitoring.
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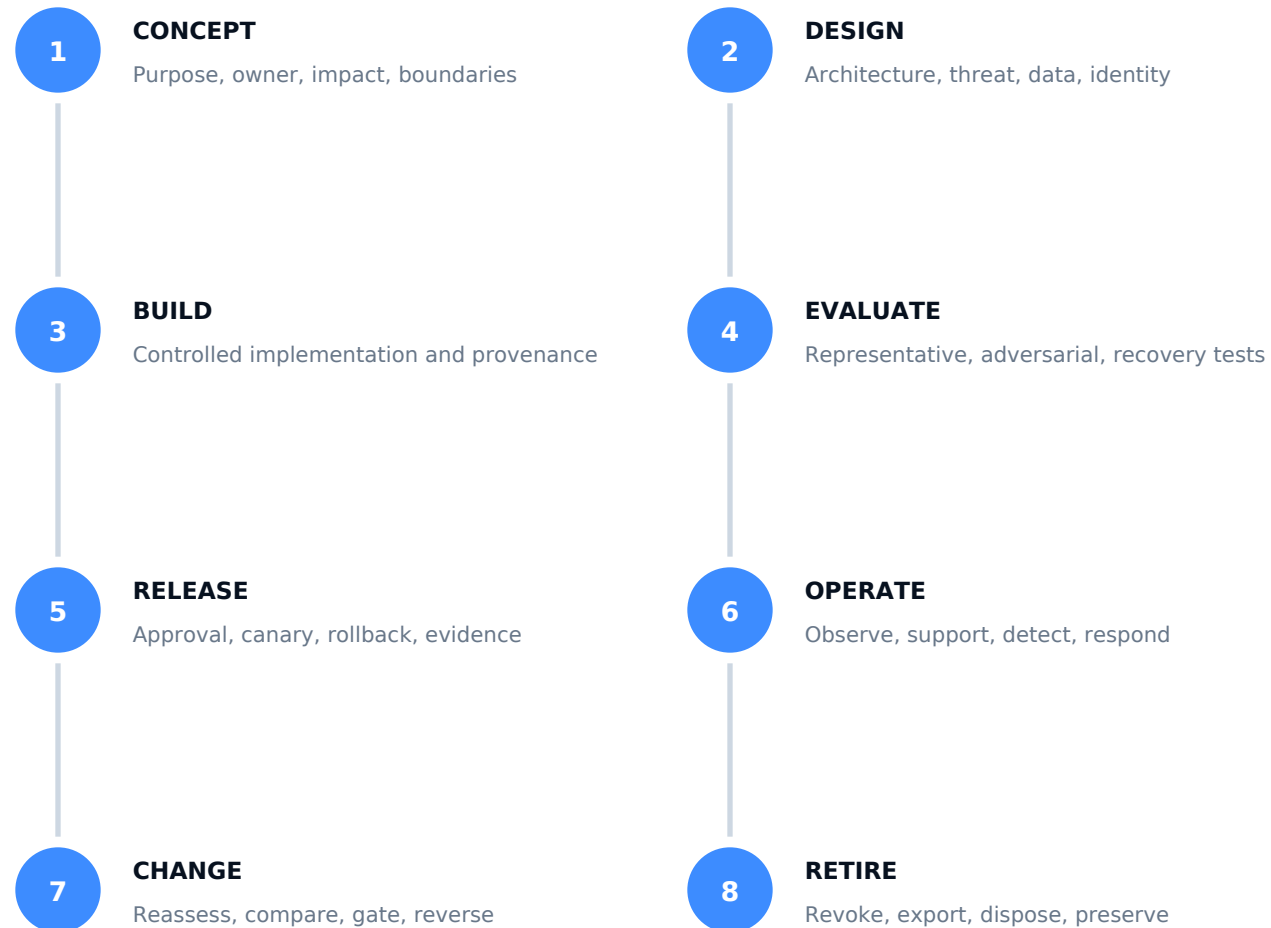
Profile selection rule

Choose the highest profile triggered by consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, scale, irreversibility, external dependency, or inability to rapidly detect and recover. Tailoring may strengthen controls; it may not erase a mandatory gate without a controlled exception.

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9.2 Operational Lifecycle

Evidence-bearing operation from concept through retirement



LIFECYCLE INVARIANT

Every stage **MUST** leave sufficient evidence for the next authority to understand what was intended, what changed, what was tested, what failed, what was accepted, what remains uncertain, and how to recover or exit.

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10. Adoption Roadmap

A sequenced path from uncontrolled capability to evidence-bearing operation

0-30 DAYS**Establish ownership and truth**

Inventory systems and dependencies; classify risk; freeze unsupported claims; identify immediate privilege, data, and evidence gaps.

31-90 DAYS**Create enforceable boundaries**

Define policy; isolate execution; implement identity and approval gates; establish representative evaluation and baseline telemetry.

3-6 MONTHS**Prove recovery and operating control**

Exercise failure, rollback, revocation, incident, provider exit, and state-recovery scenarios; mature evidence packaging.

6-12 MONTHS**Scale assurance**

Automate control checks; expand workload coverage; independent challenge; portfolio metrics; controlled exception expiry; continuous reassessment.

Adoption is complete only when operating evidence demonstrates the selected profile in the actual deployment context. Documentation alone is not conformance.

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10.2 Conformance and Exception Statement

What an assurance claim must contain

SYSTEM / SERVICE

Named, versioned capability and deployment boundary.

PROFILE

Foundational, Advanced, or High Assurance with trigger rationale.

SCOPE

Workloads, users, data, tools, regions, providers, and exclusions.

CRITERIA

Pass, partial, fail, not applicable, and exception status for every criterion.

EVIDENCE

Artifact references, evidence grade, date, environment, and reproducibility.

LIMITATIONS

Known failure modes, unsupported workloads, uncertainty, and residual risk.

EXCEPTIONS

Owner, rationale, compensating control, expiration, and approval.

VALIDITY

Assessment date, change boundary, review date, and reassessment triggers.

Prohibited claim: “compliant” without the named scope, profile, evidence date, limitations, exceptions, and authority accepting residual risk.

11. Source Authority and Reference Register

Primary sources informing interpretation; verify current status at assessment time

NIST CSF 2.0

Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.CSWP.29>

Enterprise governance and cybersecurity outcome framework.

ISO 13482

Robots and Robotic Devices - Safety Requirements for Personal Care Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/53820.html>

Safety framework for service and personal-care robot classes.

NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-53r5>

Broad organizational control baseline for technology systems and services.

NIST AI RMF 1.0

Artificial Intelligence Risk Management Framework

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.AI.100-1>

Risk management structure for trustworthy AI capabilities used in autonomous systems.

ISO 10218-1:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73933.html>

Current industrial robot design and inherent-safety requirements.

NIST Response Robot Test Methods

Standard Test Methods for Response Robots

<https://www.nist.gov/el/intelligent-systems-division-73500/standard-test-methods-response-robots>

Repeatable mobility, sensing, manipulation, endurance, and operator-proficiency tests.

ISO 10218-2:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robot Applications and Cells

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73934.html>

Current integration, commissioning, operation, maintenance, and disposal requirements.

Source currency rule: authorities, specifications, laws, provider services, hardware, protocols, standards status, and research evidence MUST be checked at assessment time. This publication records a 2026-07-24 source snapshot.

11.2 Revision History and Decision Register

Permanent identity, controlled change, and publication integrity

VERSION	DATE	STATE	SUMMARY
1.0.0-candidate	2026-07-24	Candidate	Permanent-publication edition; source refresh; expanded criteria, evidence, assurance, and lifecycle guidance.
Next review	2027-01-24	Scheduled	Review source currency, threat evolution, operating evidence, adoption feedback, and proposed revisions.

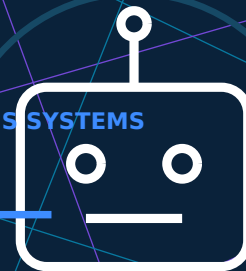
Publication decisions

- PERMANENT IDENTITY** The document ID remains stable across revisions; batch or production sequence metadata is not public identity.
- CHANGE CONTROL** Normative changes require rationale, impact analysis, affected-criterion mapping, and approval.
- SUPERSESION** A superseded edition remains traceable; current routes and catalogs identify the active edition.
- CORRECTION** Material errors require a recorded correction, affected-evidence analysis, and notification appropriate to impact.
- ARCHIVAL INTEGRITY** Published artifacts receive hashes, metadata, and a release manifest sufficient for independent verification.



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Mobile Robot, Drone, and Autonomous Fleet Operations Standard



Fleet identity, geofencing, navigation, communications, traffic, airspace, batteries, remote operations, recovery, maintenance, and mission evidence.

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND ASSURANCE TOPOLOGY

Robotics and Autonomous Systems

A trustworthy mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets program is a governed path from research claim through baseline, experiment, safety and security challenge, transition decision, bounded operation, and preserved evidence.

CLASSIFY

Separate established practice, candidate standard, reproduced result, vendor claim, implementation hypothesis, and open research.

EXPERIMENT

Declare baseline, configuration, uncertainty, scenario coverage, stop conditions, and independent reproduction before conclusions.

CONSTRAIN

Identity, policy, safety envelopes, physical boundaries, cryptographic authority, and human intervention limit consequence.

TRANSITION

Adoption, pilot, production, rollback, supplier exit, lifecycle, and retirement decisions remain evidence-bearing and reversible.

EVIDENCE - BOUND TRANSITION FLOW



No novelty claim becomes an operational claim without reproduced evidence and an explicit authority decision

INTERPRETATION AND ASSURANCE

How to apply this publication

Normative intent

Requirements define outcomes and constraints. Implementations may vary, but evidence must demonstrate equivalent control.

Evidence over assertion

Vendor documentation and design intent are not equivalent to reproduced behavior. Record evidence grade and uncertainty.

Risk-proportional depth

Higher consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, and irreversibility require stronger isolation, review, verification, and recovery.

Controlled exception

Exceptions require an owner, rationale, compensating control, residual-risk acceptance, expiration, and reevaluation trigger.

Normalized assessment scale

0	1	2	3	4	5
ABSENT	AD HOC	PARTIAL	OPERATIONAL	ADVANCED	LEADING

A numeric score must never hide a failed mandatory gate, missing evidence, untested workload, or unacceptable residual risk.

INTERACTIVE NAVIGATION

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Navigation doctrine

Bookmarks and internal links are conveniences. Permanent document identity, criterion identifiers, evidence references, and revision history remain authoritative.

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0. Executive Mandate

Research value, transition discipline, and non-negotiable evidence boundaries

MANDATE

Organizations evaluating mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets **MUST** separate research from operational authority, establish a reproducible baseline, constrain safety and security consequence, disclose uncertainty, and require a documented transition or rejection decision.

Required outcomes

- Establish a durable, product-neutral evidence system for mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets.
- Prevent novelty, investment, vendor prestige, roadmap language, or laboratory success from substituting for operational proof.
- Require representative performance, adversarial, failure, recovery, safety, privacy, and lifecycle evidence.
- Keep pilots bounded by identity, authority, environment, duration, budget, stop conditions, and rollback.
- Preserve rejected alternatives, limitations, residual risk, source currency, and reassessment triggers.

Decision boundary: conformance supports a bounded engineering assurance position. It does not prove scientific consensus, regulatory approval, universal safety, quantum advantage, cryptographic perfection, autonomous competence, or commercial viability.

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1. Scope and Applicability

Research, pilot, transition, operational, and retirement boundaries

IN SCOPE

- Research, architecture, acquisition, experiment, pilot, transition, operation, and retirement of mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets.
- Hardware, software, models, data, protocols, facilities, people, suppliers, providers, physical processes, and evidence.
- Laboratory, simulation, testbed, shadow, pilot, canary, production, and field deployment states.
- Claims, benchmarks, uncertainty, safety, security, privacy, economics, interoperability, support, and exit.

OUT OF SCOPE

- Scientific truth inferred from a single benchmark, simulation, provider, hardware generation, or laboratory configuration.
- Safety, regulatory, export, spectrum, airspace, clinical, cryptographic, or standards approval not granted by the responsible authority.
- Roadmap forecasts, token price, patent counts, press releases, or investment treated as engineering evidence.
- Hidden production use of research components outside the declared transition and assurance boundary.

Applicability triggers

- The capability is novel, rapidly changing, weakly standardized, difficult to reproduce, or dependent on immature suppliers.
- A claim concerns safety, security, privacy, physical action, critical infrastructure, cryptographic trust, or consequential autonomy.
- The system requires specialized facilities, scarce hardware, spectrum, foundry, cryogenic, optical, robotics, or field-test dependencies.
- Failure or lock-in may create long-lived data, capital, infrastructure, workforce, or regulatory consequences.
- A research component is proposed for pilot, customer, production, public, or externally relied-upon use.

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2. Definitions and Taxonomy

Controlled language for architecture, governance, and assessment

AUTHORITY

The right to approve, deny, constrain, or execute an action. Model output is not authority.

EVIDENCE

A reproducible source, trace, measurement, test, record, signed artifact, or documented observation supporting a claim.

ASSURANCE VIEW

A defined perspective such as governance, architecture, security, operations, privacy, or human oversight.

ATOMIC CRITERION

A uniquely identified requirement that can be assessed, evidenced, excepted, and revised independently.

IMPLEMENTATION PROFILE

A risk-proportional set of required depth, evidence, and gates for a class of use.

CONTROLLED EXCEPTION

A time-bounded deviation with owner, rationale, compensating control, residual risk, expiration, and review trigger.

DETERMINISTIC MECHANISM

A component whose inputs, policy, state transition, and side effects can be constrained and verified.

SOURCE AUTHORITY

The documented basis for treating a source as reliable for a defined claim, context, jurisdiction, and time.

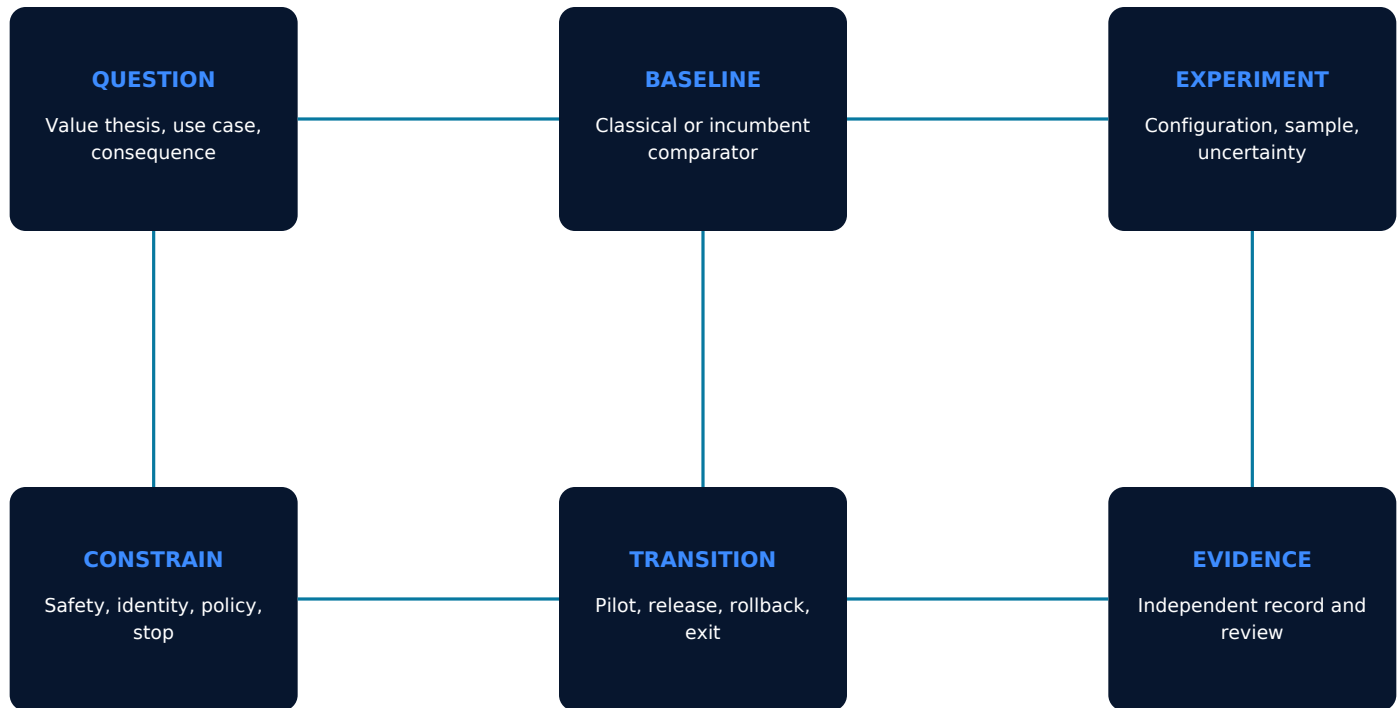
REASSESSMENT TRIGGER

A change, incident, drift signal, dependency revision, or time boundary requiring renewed evaluation.

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3. Architecture and Trust Model

Separation of research, authority, physical systems, runtime, and evidence



Mandatory trust boundaries

- Research systems **MUST NOT** inherit production identity, secrets, authority, data, networks, or physical control by convenience.
- Claims **MUST** retain the exact hardware, software, model, protocol, calibration, environment, workload, and observation boundary.
- Safety, cryptographic, physical, spectrum, autonomy, and human-intervention constraints **MUST** remain independently enforceable.
- Transition **MUST** have a named decision authority, acceptance criteria, monitored pilot, rollback, supplier exit, and retirement path.
- Evidence **MUST** remain reviewable when a vendor, cloud, token network, laboratory, model, robot, or quantum backend is unavailable.

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4. Governance and Accountability

Decision rights, separation of duties, and lifecycle ownership

ACCOUNTABLE OWNER

Accepts scope, risk tolerance, funding, and residual risk.

SYSTEM OWNER

Maintains architecture, inventory, operating boundaries, and change control.

SECURITY / PRIVACY

Defines threat, identity, data, isolation, monitoring, and incident requirements.

EVALUATION AUTHORITY

Designs representative tests, gates releases, and preserves reproducibility.

OPERATIONS

Maintains availability, rollback, recovery, evidence, and incident handling.

HUMAN OVERSIGHT

Reviews consequential decisions, exceptions, disputed outcomes, and harm signals.

DECISION PRINCIPLE

No single actor should be able to define the objective, grant authority, execute the consequential action, suppress evidence, and approve the result. Separation must be technical where consequence requires it.

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MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C01

Vehicle, Fleet, Mission, and Operating Area Boundary

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain vehicle, fleet, mission, and operating area boundary for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C02

Registration, Identity, Ownership, and Remote Identification

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain registration, identity, ownership, and remote identification for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C03

Operational Design Domain, Geofence, and Route Authority

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain operational design domain, geofence, and route authority for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C04

Localization, Mapping, Navigation, and Obstacle Avoidance

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain localization, mapping, navigation, and obstacle avoidance for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C05**Traffic, Airspace, Right-of-Way, and Coordination**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain traffic, airspace, right-of-way, and coordination for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C06**Command, Control, Telemetry, and Link Resilience**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain command, control, telemetry, and link resilience for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C07**Remote Pilot, Supervisor, and Intervention Authority**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain remote pilot, supervisor, and intervention authority for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C08**Payload, Cargo, Tool, and Mission-Specific Risk**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain payload, cargo, tool, and mission-specific risk for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

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Battery, Charging, Fuel, Thermal, and Energy Safety

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain battery, charging, fuel, thermal, and energy safety for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C10

Weather, Terrain, Lighting, RF, and Environmental Limits

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain weather, terrain, lighting, rf, and environmental limits for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C11

Cybersecurity, Spoofing, Jamming, and Hijack Resistance

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain cybersecurity, spoofing, jamming, and hijack resistance for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C12

Fleet Scheduler, Dispatch, and Resource Conflict

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain fleet scheduler, dispatch, and resource conflict for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C13**Lost Link, Lost Localization, Flyaway, and Safe Recovery**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain lost link, lost localization, flyaway, and safe recovery for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C14**Maintenance, Inspection, Calibration, and Airworthiness**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain maintenance, inspection, calibration, and airworthiness for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C15**Incident, Near Miss, Flight or Mission Record**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain incident, near miss, flight or mission record for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

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MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C16**Software, Map, Model, and Configuration Update**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain software, map, model, and configuration update for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C17**Privacy, Recording, Public Interaction, and Rights**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain privacy, recording, public interaction, and rights for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0004-C18**Fleet Evidence, Reassessment, and Retirement**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain fleet evidence, reassessment, and retirement for the declared mobile robots, drones, and autonomous fleets boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

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6. Evidence and Assessment

Reproduce, compare, challenge, observe, recover, and trace

EXAMINE

Research papers, standards, designs, bills of material, protocols, source, models, data, calibration, configurations, contracts, and claims.

REPRODUCE

Repeat the experiment or assessment with captured versions, seeds, parameters, environment, uncertainty, and acceptance criteria.

COMPARE

Use an honest incumbent, classical, manual, or alternative baseline with equivalent outcome, data, scale, and resource accounting.

CHALLENGE

Apply adversarial input, environmental variation, dependency loss, fault injection, safety cases, security tests, and boundary conditions.

OBSERVE

Measure field or production-like quality, latency, energy, drift, physical behavior, interventions, failures, maintenance, and user impact.

TRACE

Link claim, authority, experiment, configuration, evidence, decision, pilot, change, incident, rollback, and reassessment.

Evidence grades

A

Independently reproduced, current, representative, uncertainty-bounded, integrity-protected, and operationally relevant.

B

Reproduced by the implementing organization with strong provenance, comparator, challenge, and declared limitations.

C

Partial, laboratory-only, simulation-heavy, inherited, or indirect evidence with material uncertainty and dependencies.

D

Roadmap, assertion, demonstration, benchmark excerpt, patent, token metric, press release, or vendor statement without...

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7. Assurance Views

Six perspectives required for a complete assurance claim

GOVERNANCE

Ownership, purpose, risk tolerance, policy, exception, and decision rights.

ARCHITECTURE

Boundaries, dependencies, failure modes, state, data flow, and portability.

SECURITY

Identity, authorization, isolation, secrets, abuse resistance, and incident response.

OPERATIONS

Reliability, performance, cost, observability, change, recovery, and support.

PRIVACY / RIGHTS

Purpose limitation, minimization, consent, access, correction, deletion, and egress.

HUMAN / SOCIETAL

Usability, accessibility, disclosure, contestability, impact, and human control.

Conformance requires a defensible position across every applicable view. A strong aggregate score cannot compensate for an unowned system, a failed mandatory gate, untested recovery, or evidence below the accepted grade.

7.2 Evaluation Metrics and Decision Gates

Measures expose utility, uncertainty, safety, physical limits, transition cost, and lifecycle burden

UTILITY

Task outcome, comparator delta, coverage, quality, accuracy, mission success, and stakeholder value.

UNCERTAINTY

Confidence, calibration, variance, sample coverage, reproducibility, sensitivity, and unresolved assumptions.

PERFORMANCE

Latency, throughput, fidelity, range, precision, bandwidth, scale, density, and availability.

SAFETY / SECURITY

Hazard exposure, unsafe action, exploitability, spoofing, physical consequence, intervention, and containment.

RESOURCE

Energy, power, cooling, spectrum, shots, qubits, memory, materials, facility, operator, and maintenance demand.

MATURITY

Standards state, supply chain, interoperability, tooling, skills, support, qualification, and lifecycle readiness.

ECONOMICS

Acquisition, operation, provider, token, facility, migration, insurance, support, and opportunity cost.

TRANSITION

Pilot escape, rollback time, incumbent fallback, portability, lock-in, retirement, and evidence completeness.

Decision gate: thresholds **MUST** be declared before assessment, include an incumbent baseline and uncertainty statement, and identify any safety, security, cryptographic, physical, reproducibility, or rollback failure that blocks transition.

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8. Failure Modes and Adversarial Scenarios

Challenge assumptions before the system is trusted with consequential work

UNSAFE AUTONOMY

The robot acts outside its operational design domain or safety envelope.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

PERCEPTION COLLAPSE

Occlusion, weather, spoofing, drift, calibration, or domain shift produces hazardous state estimates.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

HUMAN INTERVENTION FAILURE

Operators cannot understand, stop, take over, or recover the system in time.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

CYBER-PHYSICAL COMMAND ABUSE

Compromised identity, network, software, model, or tool issues unsafe motion or process actions.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

FLEET-CORRELATED FAILURE

A map, model, update, scheduler, battery, cloud, or communications dependency affects many robots at once.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

LEARNING REGRESSION

A model or skill update degrades safety, task quality, fairness, explainability, or recovery behavior.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

Adversarial testing MUST protect people and production systems. Use isolated environments, synthetic or minimized data, bounded authority, kill switches, explicit legal and ethical review, and documented stop conditions.

9. Implementation Profiles

Risk-proportional implementation without weakening mandatory boundaries

FOUNDATIONAL TYPICAL SCOPE Low consequence, limited autonomy, non-sensitive data, reversible outputs. MINIMUM DEPTH Named owner; inventory; basic evaluation; access control; logging; rollback; annual review.	ADVANCED TYPICAL SCOPE Business-critical workflow, sensitive data, multiple tools or providers, moderate autonomy. MINIMUM DEPTH Formal threat model; representative evaluation; approval gates; isolated execution; tested recovery; quarterly review.	HIGH ASSURANCE TYPICAL SCOPE Safety, security, regulated, financial, identity, or broadly consequential use. MINIMUM DEPTH Independent challenge; strongest identity; deterministic enforcement; comprehensive evidence; canary release; continuous monitoring.
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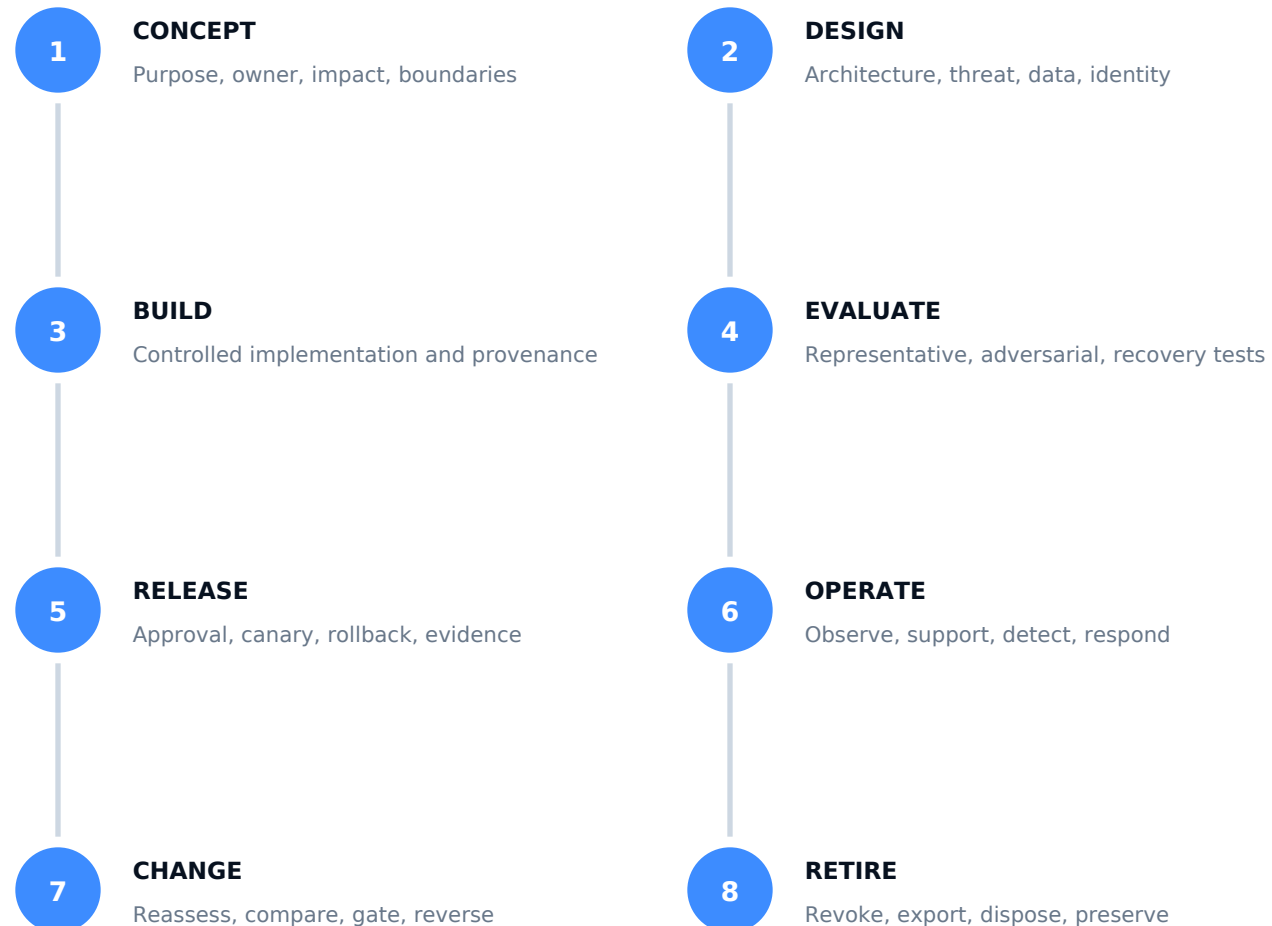
Profile selection rule

Choose the highest profile triggered by consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, scale, irreversibility, external dependency, or inability to rapidly detect and recover. Tailoring may strengthen controls; it may not erase a mandatory gate without a controlled exception.

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9.2 Operational Lifecycle

Evidence-bearing operation from concept through retirement



LIFECYCLE INVARIANT

Every stage **MUST** leave sufficient evidence for the next authority to understand what was intended, what changed, what was tested, what failed, what was accepted, what remains uncertain, and how to recover or exit.

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10. Adoption Roadmap

A sequenced path from uncontrolled capability to evidence-bearing operation

0-30 DAYS**Establish ownership and truth**

Inventory systems and dependencies; classify risk; freeze unsupported claims; identify immediate privilege, data, and evidence gaps.

31-90 DAYS**Create enforceable boundaries**

Define policy; isolate execution; implement identity and approval gates; establish representative evaluation and baseline telemetry.

3-6 MONTHS**Prove recovery and operating control**

Exercise failure, rollback, revocation, incident, provider exit, and state-recovery scenarios; mature evidence packaging.

6-12 MONTHS**Scale assurance**

Automate control checks; expand workload coverage; independent challenge; portfolio metrics; controlled exception expiry; continuous reassessment.

Adoption is complete only when operating evidence demonstrates the selected profile in the actual deployment context. Documentation alone is not conformance.

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10.2 Conformance and Exception Statement

What an assurance claim must contain

SYSTEM / SERVICE

Named, versioned capability and deployment boundary.

PROFILE

Foundational, Advanced, or High Assurance with trigger rationale.

SCOPE

Workloads, users, data, tools, regions, providers, and exclusions.

CRITERIA

Pass, partial, fail, not applicable, and exception status for every criterion.

EVIDENCE

Artifact references, evidence grade, date, environment, and reproducibility.

LIMITATIONS

Known failure modes, unsupported workloads, uncertainty, and residual risk.

EXCEPTIONS

Owner, rationale, compensating control, expiration, and approval.

VALIDITY

Assessment date, change boundary, review date, and reassessment triggers.

Prohibited claim: “compliant” without the named scope, profile, evidence date, limitations, exceptions, and authority accepting residual risk.

11. Source Authority and Reference Register

Primary sources informing interpretation; verify current status at assessment time

NIST CSF 2.0

Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.CSWP.29>

Enterprise governance and cybersecurity outcome framework.

ISO 13482

Robots and Robotic Devices - Safety Requirements for Personal Care Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/53820.html>

Safety framework for service and personal-care robot classes.

NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-53r5>

Broad organizational control baseline for technology systems and services.

NIST AI RMF 1.0

Artificial Intelligence Risk Management Framework

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.AI.100-1>

Risk management structure for trustworthy AI capabilities used in autonomous systems.

ISO 10218-1:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73933.html>

Current industrial robot design and inherent-safety requirements.

NIST Response Robot Test Methods

Standard Test Methods for Response Robots

<https://www.nist.gov/el/intelligent-systems-division-73500/standard-test-methods-response-robots>

Repeatable mobility, sensing, manipulation, endurance, and operator-proficiency tests.

ISO 10218-2:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robot Applications and Cells

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73934.html>

Current integration, commissioning, operation, maintenance, and disposal requirements.

Source currency rule: authorities, specifications, laws, provider services, hardware, protocols, standards status, and research evidence MUST be checked at assessment time. This publication records a 2026-07-24 source snapshot.

11.2 Revision History and Decision Register

Permanent identity, controlled change, and publication integrity

VERSION	DATE	STATE	SUMMARY
1.0.0-candidate	2026-07-24	Candidate	Permanent-publication edition; source refresh; expanded criteria, evidence, assurance, and lifecycle guidance.
Next review	2027-01-24	Scheduled	Review source currency, threat evolution, operating evidence, adoption feedback, and proposed revisions.

Publication decisions

- PERMANENT IDENTITY** The document ID remains stable across revisions; batch or production sequence metadata is not public identity.
- CHANGE CONTROL** Normative changes require rationale, impact analysis, affected-criterion mapping, and approval.
- SUPERSESION** A superseded edition remains traceable; current routes and catalogs identify the active edition.
- CORRECTION** Material errors require a recorded correction, affected-evidence analysis, and notification appropriate to impact.
- ARCHIVAL INTEGRITY** Published artifacts receive hashes, metadata, and a release manifest sufficient for independent verification.

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Robot Perception, Sensor Fusion, and Simulation Assurance Standard

Sensors, calibration, perception models, fusion, uncertainty, datasets, simulation validity, adversarial conditions, monitoring, and runtime evidence.

PERMANENT DOCUMENT ID

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND ASSURANCE TOPOLOGY

Robotics and Autonomous Systems

A trustworthy robot perception and sensor fusion program is a governed path from research claim through baseline, experiment, safety and security challenge, transition decision, bounded operation, and preserved evidence.

CLASSIFY

Separate established practice, candidate standard, reproduced result, vendor claim, implementation hypothesis, and open research.

EXPERIMENT

Declare baseline, configuration, uncertainty, scenario coverage, stop conditions, and independent reproduction before conclusions.

CONSTRAIN

Identity, policy, safety envelopes, physical boundaries, cryptographic authority, and human intervention limit consequence.

TRANSITION

Adoption, pilot, production, rollback, supplier exit, lifecycle, and retirement decisions remain evidence-bearing and reversible.

EVIDENCE - BOUND TRANSITION FLOW



No novelty claim becomes an operational claim without reproduced evidence and an explicit authority decision

INTERPRETATION AND ASSURANCE

How to apply this publication

Normative intent

Requirements define outcomes and constraints. Implementations may vary, but evidence must demonstrate equivalent control.

Evidence over assertion

Vendor documentation and design intent are not equivalent to reproduced behavior. Record evidence grade and uncertainty.

Risk-proportional depth

Higher consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, and irreversibility require stronger isolation, review, verification, and recovery.

Controlled exception

Exceptions require an owner, rationale, compensating control, residual-risk acceptance, expiration, and reevaluation trigger.

Normalized assessment scale

0	1	2	3	4	5
ABSENT	AD HOC	PARTIAL	OPERATIONAL	ADVANCED	LEADING

A numeric score must never hide a failed mandatory gate, missing evidence, untested workload, or unacceptable residual risk.

INTERACTIVE NAVIGATION

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0. Executive Mandate

Research value, transition discipline, and non-negotiable evidence boundaries

MANDATE

Organizations evaluating robot perception and sensor fusion **MUST** separate research from operational authority, establish a reproducible baseline, constrain safety and security consequence, disclose uncertainty, and require a documented transition or rejection decision.

Required outcomes

- Establish a durable, product-neutral evidence system for robot perception and sensor fusion.
- Prevent novelty, investment, vendor prestige, roadmap language, or laboratory success from substituting for operational proof.
- Require representative performance, adversarial, failure, recovery, safety, privacy, and lifecycle evidence.
- Keep pilots bounded by identity, authority, environment, duration, budget, stop conditions, and rollback.
- Preserve rejected alternatives, limitations, residual risk, source currency, and reassessment triggers.

Decision boundary: conformance supports a bounded engineering assurance position. It does not prove scientific consensus, regulatory approval, universal safety, quantum advantage, cryptographic perfection, autonomous competence, or commercial viability.

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1. Scope and Applicability

Research, pilot, transition, operational, and retirement boundaries

IN SCOPE

- Research, architecture, acquisition, experiment, pilot, transition, operation, and retirement of robot perception and sensor fusion.
- Hardware, software, models, data, protocols, facilities, people, suppliers, providers, physical processes, and evidence.
- Laboratory, simulation, testbed, shadow, pilot, canary, production, and field deployment states.
- Claims, benchmarks, uncertainty, safety, security, privacy, economics, interoperability, support, and exit.

OUT OF SCOPE

- Scientific truth inferred from a single benchmark, simulation, provider, hardware generation, or laboratory configuration.
- Safety, regulatory, export, spectrum, airspace, clinical, cryptographic, or standards approval not granted by the responsible authority.
- Roadmap forecasts, token price, patent counts, press releases, or investment treated as engineering evidence.
- Hidden production use of research components outside the declared transition and assurance boundary.

Applicability triggers

- The capability is novel, rapidly changing, weakly standardized, difficult to reproduce, or dependent on immature suppliers.
- A claim concerns safety, security, privacy, physical action, critical infrastructure, cryptographic trust, or consequential autonomy.
- The system requires specialized facilities, scarce hardware, spectrum, foundry, cryogenic, optical, robotics, or field-test dependencies.
- Failure or lock-in may create long-lived data, capital, infrastructure, workforce, or regulatory consequences.
- A research component is proposed for pilot, customer, production, public, or externally relied-upon use.

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2. Definitions and Taxonomy

Controlled language for architecture, governance, and assessment

AUTHORITY

The right to approve, deny, constrain, or execute an action. Model output is not authority.

EVIDENCE

A reproducible source, trace, measurement, test, record, signed artifact, or documented observation supporting a claim.

ASSURANCE VIEW

A defined perspective such as governance, architecture, security, operations, privacy, or human oversight.

ATOMIC CRITERION

A uniquely identified requirement that can be assessed, evidenced, excepted, and revised independently.

IMPLEMENTATION PROFILE

A risk-proportional set of required depth, evidence, and gates for a class of use.

CONTROLLED EXCEPTION

A time-bounded deviation with owner, rationale, compensating control, residual risk, expiration, and review trigger.

DETERMINISTIC MECHANISM

A component whose inputs, policy, state transition, and side effects can be constrained and verified.

SOURCE AUTHORITY

The documented basis for treating a source as reliable for a defined claim, context, jurisdiction, and time.

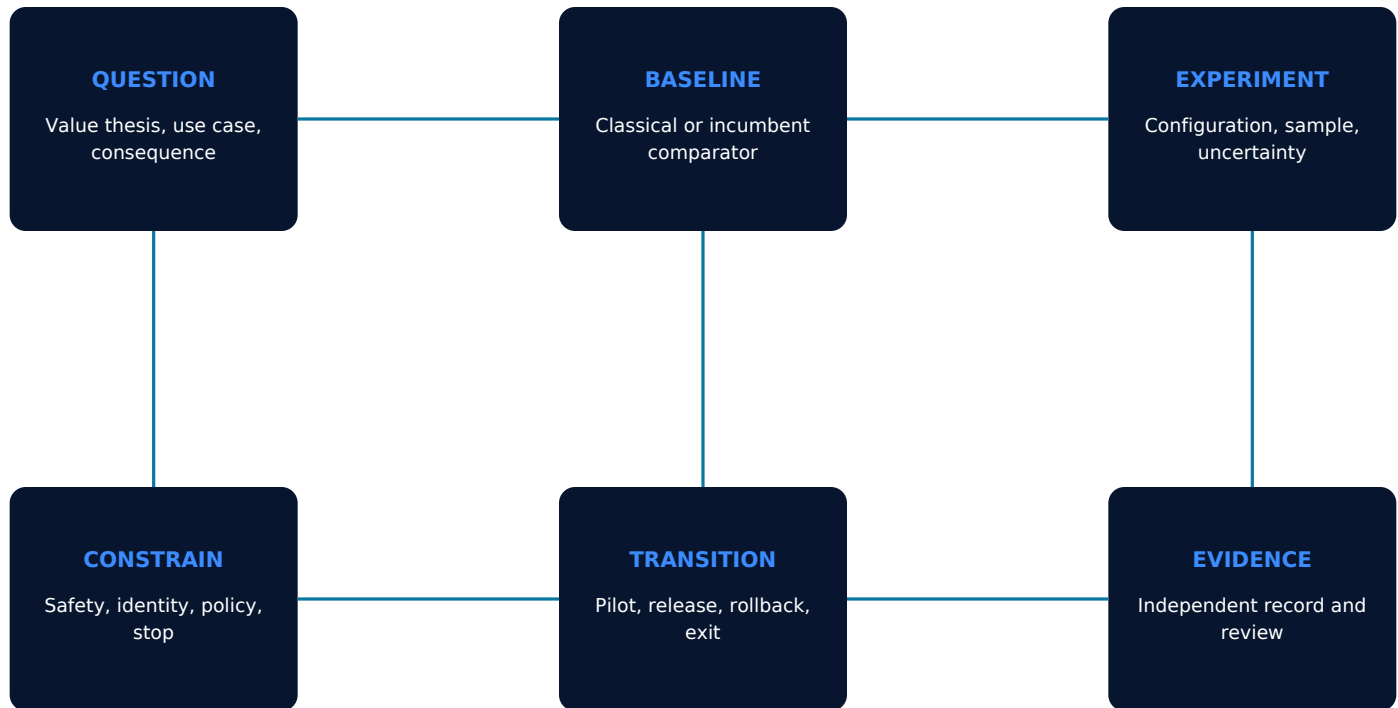
REASSESSMENT TRIGGER

A change, incident, drift signal, dependency revision, or time boundary requiring renewed evaluation.

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3. Architecture and Trust Model

Separation of research, authority, physical systems, runtime, and evidence



Mandatory trust boundaries

- Research systems **MUST NOT** inherit production identity, secrets, authority, data, networks, or physical control by convenience.
- Claims **MUST** retain the exact hardware, software, model, protocol, calibration, environment, workload, and observation boundary.
- Safety, cryptographic, physical, spectrum, autonomy, and human-intervention constraints **MUST** remain independently enforceable.
- Transition **MUST** have a named decision authority, acceptance criteria, monitored pilot, rollback, supplier exit, and retirement path.
- Evidence **MUST** remain reviewable when a vendor, cloud, token network, laboratory, model, robot, or quantum backend is unavailable.

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4. Governance and Accountability

Decision rights, separation of duties, and lifecycle ownership

ACCOUNTABLE OWNER

Accepts scope, risk tolerance, funding, and residual risk.

SYSTEM OWNER

Maintains architecture, inventory, operating boundaries, and change control.

SECURITY / PRIVACY

Defines threat, identity, data, isolation, monitoring, and incident requirements.

EVALUATION AUTHORITY

Designs representative tests, gates releases, and preserves reproducibility.

OPERATIONS

Maintains availability, rollback, recovery, evidence, and incident handling.

HUMAN OVERSIGHT

Reviews consequential decisions, exceptions, disputed outcomes, and harm signals.

DECISION PRINCIPLE

No single actor should be able to define the objective, grant authority, execute the consequential action, suppress evidence, and approve the result. Separation must be technical where consequence requires it.

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5. Normative Control System

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MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C01

Perception Task, Object, Event, and Environment Definition

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain perception task, object, event, and environment definition for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C02

Sensor Modality, Placement, Field of View, and Redundancy

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain sensor modality, placement, field of view, and redundancy for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C03

Intrinsic, Extrinsic, Temporal, and Online Calibration

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain intrinsic, extrinsic, temporal, and online calibration for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C04

Data Collection, Consent, Rights, and Provenance

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain data collection, consent, rights, and provenance for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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Label, Ground Truth, Scenario, and Coverage Authority

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain label, ground truth, scenario, and coverage authority for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C06

Model Architecture, Training, and Version Provenance

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain model architecture, training, and version provenance for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C07

Fusion Architecture and Cross-Sensor Consistency

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain fusion architecture and cross-sensor consistency for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C08

Detection, Tracking, Segmentation, Pose, and Prediction Metrics

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain detection, tracking, segmentation, pose, and prediction metrics for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

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Uncertainty, Confidence, and Abstention Behavior

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain uncertainty, confidence, and abstention behavior for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

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Weather, Lighting, Occlusion, Reflectivity, and Domain Shift

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain weather, lighting, occlusion, reflectivity, and domain shift for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C11

Adversarial Object, Spoofing, Injection, and Sensor Failure

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain adversarial object, spoofing, injection, and sensor failure for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

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Simulation, Digital Twin, and Reality-Gap Validation

The organization MUST define, implement, verify, and maintain simulation, digital twin, and reality-gap validation for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record MUST identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence MUST be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C13**Synthetic Data and Scenario Generation Governance**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain synthetic data and scenario generation governance for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C14**Runtime Health, Drift, Degradation, and Sensor Isolation**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain runtime health, drift, degradation, and sensor isolation for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C15**Fail-Safe Decision Interface and Safety Envelope**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain fail-safe decision interface and safety envelope for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

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MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C16**Regression, Replay, Field Trial, and Acceptance**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain regression, replay, field trial, and acceptance for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C17**Incident Reconstruction and Evidence Preservation**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain incident reconstruction and evidence preservation for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0005-C18**Change Control and Periodic Revalidation**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain change control and periodic revalidation for the declared robot perception and sensor fusion boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

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6. Evidence and Assessment

Reproduce, compare, challenge, observe, recover, and trace

EXAMINE

Research papers, standards, designs, bills of material, protocols, source, models, data, calibration, configurations, contracts, and claims.

REPRODUCE

Repeat the experiment or assessment with captured versions, seeds, parameters, environment, uncertainty, and acceptance criteria.

COMPARE

Use an honest incumbent, classical, manual, or alternative baseline with equivalent outcome, data, scale, and resource accounting.

CHALLENGE

Apply adversarial input, environmental variation, dependency loss, fault injection, safety cases, security tests, and boundary conditions.

OBSERVE

Measure field or production-like quality, latency, energy, drift, physical behavior, interventions, failures, maintenance, and user impact.

TRACE

Link claim, authority, experiment, configuration, evidence, decision, pilot, change, incident, rollback, and reassessment.

Evidence grades

A

Independently reproduced, current, representative, uncertainty-bounded, integrity-protected, and operationally relevant.

B

Reproduced by the implementing organization with strong provenance, comparator, challenge, and declared limitations.

C

Partial, laboratory-only, simulation-heavy, inherited, or indirect evidence with material uncertainty and dependencies.

D

Roadmap, assertion, demonstration, benchmark excerpt, patent, token metric, press release, or vendor statement without...

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7. Assurance Views

Six perspectives required for a complete assurance claim

GOVERNANCE

Ownership, purpose, risk tolerance, policy, exception, and decision rights.

ARCHITECTURE

Boundaries, dependencies, failure modes, state, data flow, and portability.

SECURITY

Identity, authorization, isolation, secrets, abuse resistance, and incident response.

OPERATIONS

Reliability, performance, cost, observability, change, recovery, and support.

PRIVACY / RIGHTS

Purpose limitation, minimization, consent, access, correction, deletion, and egress.

HUMAN / SOCIETAL

Usability, accessibility, disclosure, contestability, impact, and human control.

Conformance requires a defensible position across every applicable view. A strong aggregate score cannot compensate for an unowned system, a failed mandatory gate, untested recovery, or evidence below the accepted grade.

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7.2 Evaluation Metrics and Decision Gates

Measures expose utility, uncertainty, safety, physical limits, transition cost, and lifecycle burden

UTILITY

Task outcome, comparator delta, coverage, quality, accuracy, mission success, and stakeholder value.

UNCERTAINTY

Confidence, calibration, variance, sample coverage, reproducibility, sensitivity, and unresolved assumptions.

PERFORMANCE

Latency, throughput, fidelity, range, precision, bandwidth, scale, density, and availability.

SAFETY / SECURITY

Hazard exposure, unsafe action, exploitability, spoofing, physical consequence, intervention, and containment.

RESOURCE

Energy, power, cooling, spectrum, shots, qubits, memory, materials, facility, operator, and maintenance demand.

MATURITY

Standards state, supply chain, interoperability, tooling, skills, support, qualification, and lifecycle readiness.

ECONOMICS

Acquisition, operation, provider, token, facility, migration, insurance, support, and opportunity cost.

TRANSITION

Pilot escape, rollback time, incumbent fallback, portability, lock-in, retirement, and evidence completeness.

Decision gate: thresholds **MUST** be declared before assessment, include an incumbent baseline and uncertainty statement, and identify any safety, security, cryptographic, physical, reproducibility, or rollback failure that blocks transition.

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8. Failure Modes and Adversarial Scenarios

Challenge assumptions before the system is trusted with consequential work

UNSAFE AUTONOMY

The robot acts outside its operational design domain or safety envelope.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

PERCEPTION COLLAPSE

Occlusion, weather, spoofing, drift, calibration, or domain shift produces hazardous state estimates.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

HUMAN INTERVENTION FAILURE

Operators cannot understand, stop, take over, or recover the system in time.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

CYBER-PHYSICAL COMMAND ABUSE

Compromised identity, network, software, model, or tool issues unsafe motion or process actions.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

FLEET-CORRELATED FAILURE

A map, model, update, scheduler, battery, cloud, or communications dependency affects many robots at once.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

LEARNING REGRESSION

A model or skill update degrades safety, task quality, fairness, explainability, or recovery behavior.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

Adversarial testing MUST protect people and production systems. Use isolated environments, synthetic or minimized data, bounded authority, kill switches, explicit legal and ethical review, and documented stop conditions.

9. Implementation Profiles

Risk-proportional implementation without weakening mandatory boundaries

FOUNDATIONAL TYPICAL SCOPE Low consequence, limited autonomy, non-sensitive data, reversible outputs. MINIMUM DEPTH Named owner; inventory; basic evaluation; access control; logging; rollback; annual review.	ADVANCED TYPICAL SCOPE Business-critical workflow, sensitive data, multiple tools or providers, moderate autonomy. MINIMUM DEPTH Formal threat model; representative evaluation; approval gates; isolated execution; tested recovery; quarterly review.	HIGH ASSURANCE TYPICAL SCOPE Safety, security, regulated, financial, identity, or broadly consequential use. MINIMUM DEPTH Independent challenge; strongest identity; deterministic enforcement; comprehensive evidence; canary release; continuous monitoring.
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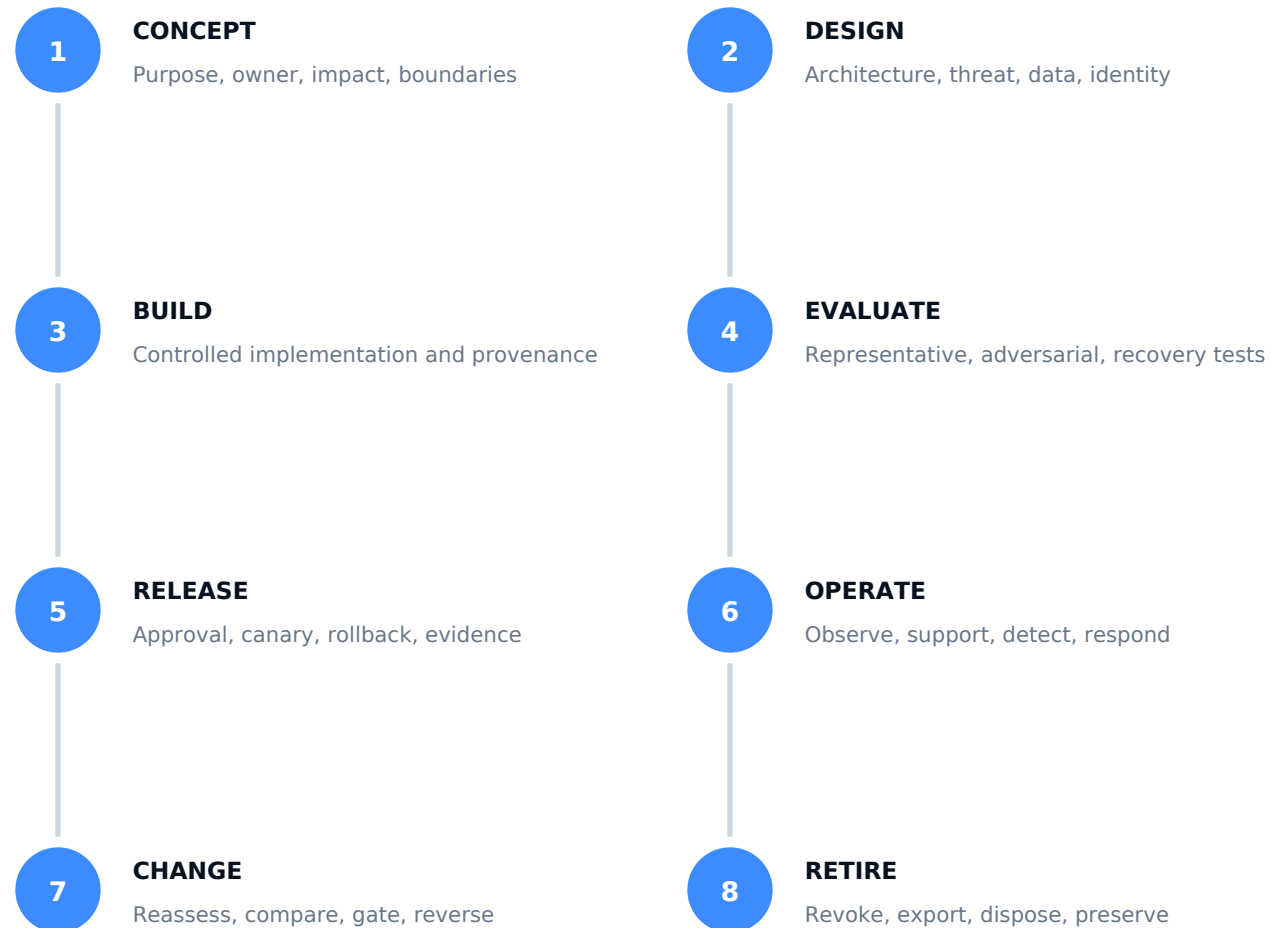
Profile selection rule

Choose the highest profile triggered by consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, scale, irreversibility, external dependency, or inability to rapidly detect and recover. Tailoring may strengthen controls; it may not erase a mandatory gate without a controlled exception.

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9.2 Operational Lifecycle

Evidence-bearing operation from concept through retirement



LIFECYCLE INVARIANT

Every stage **MUST** leave sufficient evidence for the next authority to understand what was intended, what changed, what was tested, what failed, what was accepted, what remains uncertain, and how to recover or exit.

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10. Adoption Roadmap

A sequenced path from uncontrolled capability to evidence-bearing operation

0-30 DAYS**Establish ownership and truth**

Inventory systems and dependencies; classify risk; freeze unsupported claims; identify immediate privilege, data, and evidence gaps.

31-90 DAYS**Create enforceable boundaries**

Define policy; isolate execution; implement identity and approval gates; establish representative evaluation and baseline telemetry.

3-6 MONTHS**Prove recovery and operating control**

Exercise failure, rollback, revocation, incident, provider exit, and state-recovery scenarios; mature evidence packaging.

6-12 MONTHS**Scale assurance**

Automate control checks; expand workload coverage; independent challenge; portfolio metrics; controlled exception expiry; continuous reassessment.

Adoption is complete only when operating evidence demonstrates the selected profile in the actual deployment context. Documentation alone is not conformance.

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10.2 Conformance and Exception Statement

What an assurance claim must contain

SYSTEM / SERVICE

Named, versioned capability and deployment boundary.

PROFILE

Foundational, Advanced, or High Assurance with trigger rationale.

SCOPE

Workloads, users, data, tools, regions, providers, and exclusions.

CRITERIA

Pass, partial, fail, not applicable, and exception status for every criterion.

EVIDENCE

Artifact references, evidence grade, date, environment, and reproducibility.

LIMITATIONS

Known failure modes, unsupported workloads, uncertainty, and residual risk.

EXCEPTIONS

Owner, rationale, compensating control, expiration, and approval.

VALIDITY

Assessment date, change boundary, review date, and reassessment triggers.

Prohibited claim: “compliant” without the named scope, profile, evidence date, limitations, exceptions, and authority accepting residual risk.

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11. Source Authority and Reference Register

Primary sources informing interpretation; verify current status at assessment time

NIST CSF 2.0

Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.CSWP.29>

Enterprise governance and cybersecurity outcome framework.

ISO 13482

Robots and Robotic Devices - Safety Requirements for Personal Care Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/53820.html>

Safety framework for service and personal-care robot classes.

NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-53r5>

Broad organizational control baseline for technology systems and services.

NIST AI RMF 1.0

Artificial Intelligence Risk Management Framework

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.AI.100-1>

Risk management structure for trustworthy AI capabilities used in autonomous systems.

ISO 10218-1:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73933.html>

Current industrial robot design and inherent-safety requirements.

NIST Response Robot Test Methods

Standard Test Methods for Response Robots

<https://www.nist.gov/el/intelligent-systems-division-73500/standard-test-methods-response-robots>

Repeatable mobility, sensing, manipulation, endurance, and operator-proficiency tests.

ISO 10218-2:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robot Applications and Cells

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73934.html>

Current integration, commissioning, operation, maintenance, and disposal requirements.

Source currency rule: authorities, specifications, laws, provider services, hardware, protocols, standards status, and research evidence MUST be checked at assessment time. This publication records a 2026-07-24 source snapshot.

11.2 Revision History and Decision Register

Permanent identity, controlled change, and publication integrity

VERSION	DATE	STATE	SUMMARY
1.0.0-candidate	2026-07-24	Candidate	Permanent-publication edition; source refresh; expanded criteria, evidence, assurance, and lifecycle guidance.
Next review	2027-01-24	Scheduled	Review source currency, threat evolution, operating evidence, adoption feedback, and proposed revisions.

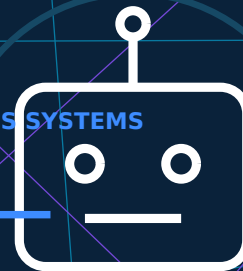
Publication decisions

- PERMANENT IDENTITY** The document ID remains stable across revisions; batch or production sequence metadata is not public identity.
- CHANGE CONTROL** Normative changes require rationale, impact analysis, affected-criterion mapping, and approval.
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Embodied AI, Foundation Model, and Robot Skill Learning Standard



Vision-language-action models, demonstrations, skill learning, grounding, tool use, memory, safety constraints, evaluation, updates, and operational evidence.

PERMANENT DOCUMENT ID

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Research / Pilot / Operational
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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND ASSURANCE TOPOLOGY

Robotics and Autonomous Systems

A trustworthy embodied AI and robot skill learning program is a governed path from research claim through baseline, experiment, safety and security challenge, transition decision, bounded operation, and preserved evidence.

CLASSIFY

Separate established practice, candidate standard, reproduced result, vendor claim, implementation hypothesis, and open research.

EXPERIMENT

Declare baseline, configuration, uncertainty, scenario coverage, stop conditions, and independent reproduction before conclusions.

CONSTRAIN

Identity, policy, safety envelopes, physical boundaries, cryptographic authority, and human intervention limit consequence.

TRANSITION

Adoption, pilot, production, rollback, supplier exit, lifecycle, and retirement decisions remain evidence-bearing and reversible.

EVIDENCE - BOUND TRANSITION FLOW



No novelty claim becomes an operational claim without reproduced evidence and an explicit authority decision

INTERPRETATION AND ASSURANCE

How to apply this publication

Normative intent

Requirements define outcomes and constraints. Implementations may vary, but evidence must demonstrate equivalent control.

Evidence over assertion

Vendor documentation and design intent are not equivalent to reproduced behavior. Record evidence grade and uncertainty.

Risk-proportional depth

Higher consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, and irreversibility require stronger isolation, review, verification, and recovery.

Controlled exception

Exceptions require an owner, rationale, compensating control, residual-risk acceptance, expiration, and reevaluation trigger.

Normalized assessment scale

0	1	2	3	4	5
ABSENT	AD HOC	PARTIAL	OPERATIONAL	ADVANCED	LEADING

A numeric score must never hide a failed mandatory gate, missing evidence, untested workload, or unacceptable residual risk.

INTERACTIVE NAVIGATION

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0. Executive Mandate

Research value, transition discipline, and non-negotiable evidence boundaries

MANDATE

Organizations evaluating embodied AI and robot skill learning **MUST** separate research from operational authority, establish a reproducible baseline, constrain safety and security consequence, disclose uncertainty, and require a documented transition or rejection decision.

Required outcomes

- Establish a durable, product-neutral evidence system for embodied AI and robot skill learning.
- Prevent novelty, investment, vendor prestige, roadmap language, or laboratory success from substituting for operational proof.
- Require representative performance, adversarial, failure, recovery, safety, privacy, and lifecycle evidence.
- Keep pilots bounded by identity, authority, environment, duration, budget, stop conditions, and rollback.
- Preserve rejected alternatives, limitations, residual risk, source currency, and reassessment triggers.

Decision boundary: conformance supports a bounded engineering assurance position. It does not prove scientific consensus, regulatory approval, universal safety, quantum advantage, cryptographic perfection, autonomous competence, or commercial viability.

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1. Scope and Applicability

Research, pilot, transition, operational, and retirement boundaries

IN SCOPE

- Research, architecture, acquisition, experiment, pilot, transition, operation, and retirement of embodied AI and robot skill learning.
- Hardware, software, models, data, protocols, facilities, people, suppliers, providers, physical processes, and evidence.
- Laboratory, simulation, testbed, shadow, pilot, canary, production, and field deployment states.
- Claims, benchmarks, uncertainty, safety, security, privacy, economics, interoperability, support, and exit.

OUT OF SCOPE

- Scientific truth inferred from a single benchmark, simulation, provider, hardware generation, or laboratory configuration.
- Safety, regulatory, export, spectrum, airspace, clinical, cryptographic, or standards approval not granted by the responsible authority.
- Roadmap forecasts, token price, patent counts, press releases, or investment treated as engineering evidence.
- Hidden production use of research components outside the declared transition and assurance boundary.

Applicability triggers

- The capability is novel, rapidly changing, weakly standardized, difficult to reproduce, or dependent on immature suppliers.
- A claim concerns safety, security, privacy, physical action, critical infrastructure, cryptographic trust, or consequential autonomy.
- The system requires specialized facilities, scarce hardware, spectrum, foundry, cryogenic, optical, robotics, or field-test dependencies.
- Failure or lock-in may create long-lived data, capital, infrastructure, workforce, or regulatory consequences.
- A research component is proposed for pilot, customer, production, public, or externally relied-upon use.

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2. Definitions and Taxonomy

Controlled language for architecture, governance, and assessment

AUTHORITY

The right to approve, deny, constrain, or execute an action. Model output is not authority.

EVIDENCE

A reproducible source, trace, measurement, test, record, signed artifact, or documented observation supporting a claim.

ASSURANCE VIEW

A defined perspective such as governance, architecture, security, operations, privacy, or human oversight.

ATOMIC CRITERION

A uniquely identified requirement that can be assessed, evidenced, excepted, and revised independently.

IMPLEMENTATION PROFILE

A risk-proportional set of required depth, evidence, and gates for a class of use.

CONTROLLED EXCEPTION

A time-bounded deviation with owner, rationale, compensating control, residual risk, expiration, and review trigger.

DETERMINISTIC MECHANISM

A component whose inputs, policy, state transition, and side effects can be constrained and verified.

SOURCE AUTHORITY

The documented basis for treating a source as reliable for a defined claim, context, jurisdiction, and time.

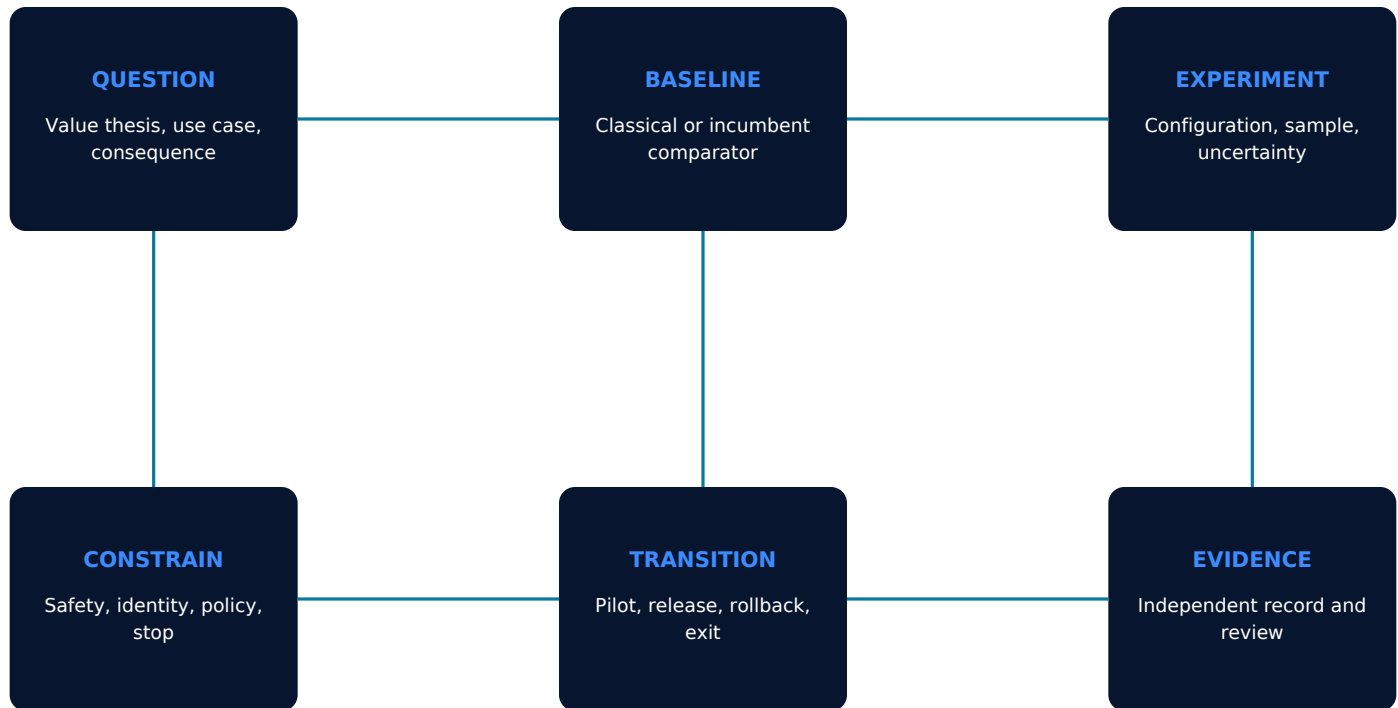
REASSESSMENT TRIGGER

A change, incident, drift signal, dependency revision, or time boundary requiring renewed evaluation.

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3. Architecture and Trust Model

Separation of research, authority, physical systems, runtime, and evidence



Mandatory trust boundaries

- Research systems **MUST NOT** inherit production identity, secrets, authority, data, networks, or physical control by convenience.
- Claims **MUST** retain the exact hardware, software, model, protocol, calibration, environment, workload, and observation boundary.
- Safety, cryptographic, physical, spectrum, autonomy, and human-intervention constraints **MUST** remain independently enforceable.
- Transition **MUST** have a named decision authority, acceptance criteria, monitored pilot, rollback, supplier exit, and retirement path.
- Evidence **MUST** remain reviewable when a vendor, cloud, token network, laboratory, model, robot, or quantum backend is unavailable.

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4. Governance and Accountability

Decision rights, separation of duties, and lifecycle ownership

ACCOUNTABLE OWNER

Accepts scope, risk tolerance, funding, and residual risk.

SYSTEM OWNER

Maintains architecture, inventory, operating boundaries, and change control.

SECURITY / PRIVACY

Defines threat, identity, data, isolation, monitoring, and incident requirements.

EVALUATION AUTHORITY

Designs representative tests, gates releases, and preserves reproducibility.

OPERATIONS

Maintains availability, rollback, recovery, evidence, and incident handling.

HUMAN OVERSIGHT

Reviews consequential decisions, exceptions, disputed outcomes, and harm signals.

DECISION PRINCIPLE

No single actor should be able to define the objective, grant authority, execute the consequential action, suppress evidence, and approve the result. Separation must be technical where consequence requires it.

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5. Normative Control System

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MYTHOS-ROB-0006-C01

Embodied Model Purpose, Authority, and Prohibited Use

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain embodied model purpose, authority, and prohibited use for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

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Observation, Language, Action, and State Interface

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain observation, language, action, and state interface for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

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Training Data, Demonstration, Teleoperation, and Rights

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain training data, demonstration, teleoperation, and rights for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

MYTHOS-ROB-0006-C04

World Grounding, Object Affordance, and Spatial Semantics

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain world grounding, object affordance, and spatial semantics for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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Action Token, Trajectory, Controller, and Timing Contract

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain action token, trajectory, controller, and timing contract for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

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Skill Library, Preconditions, Postconditions, and Composition

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain skill library, preconditions, postconditions, and composition for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0006-C07

Memory, Context, Personalization, and Retention

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain memory, context, personalization, and retention for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

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Tool, API, Device, and External-System Authority

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain tool, api, device, and external-system authority for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

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Safety Filter, Constraint, Shield, and Runtime Monitor

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain safety filter, constraint, shield, and runtime monitor for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

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Uncertainty, Abstention, Clarification, and Human Escalation

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain uncertainty, abstention, clarification, and human escalation for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

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Generalization, Transfer, Novel Object, and Novel Environment Test

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain generalization, transfer, novel object, and novel environment test for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE sensor calibration; dataset provenance; simulation validity; scenario and field-test coverage

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Reward, Preference, Imitation, and Reinforcement Governance

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain reward, preference, imitation, and reinforcement governance for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE identity, command, network, remote-access, software, firmware, model, and update evidence

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MYTHOS-ROB-0006-C13**Simulation-to-Real, Domain Randomization, and Adaptation**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain simulation-to-real, domain randomization, and adaptation for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE normal, degraded, adversarial, lost-link, lost-localization, and recovery test results

MYTHOS-ROB-0006-C14**Adversarial Instruction, Prompt Injection, and Deception**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain adversarial instruction, prompt injection, and deception for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE operator training; human factors; takeover, rescue, maintenance, and incident procedure

MYTHOS-ROB-0006-C15**Model Update, Continual Learning, and Regression Protection**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain model update, continual learning, and regression protection for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE fleet telemetry, mission record, decision trace, near-miss, maintenance, and change history

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MYTHOS-ROB-0006-C16**Latency, Compute, Energy, Connectivity, and Degraded Mode**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain latency, compute, energy, connectivity, and degraded mode for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE acceptance, revalidation, regulatory review, residual risk, retirement, and evidence archive

MYTHOS-ROB-0006-C17**Representative Task, Recovery, and Human Baseline Evaluation**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain representative task, recovery, and human baseline evaluation for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE robot and application boundary; ODD; hazard analysis; safety and cybersecurity ownership

MYTHOS-ROB-0006-C18**Release Gate, Runtime Evidence, and Reassessment**

The organization **MUST** define, implement, verify, and maintain release gate, runtime evidence, and reassessment for the declared embodied AI and robot skill learning boundary. The record **MUST** identify accountable ownership, evidence state, exact configuration, assumptions, affected people and systems, failure and recovery behavior, uncertainty, transition authority, and reassessment triggers. The operational design domain, hazard controls, human intervention, safe state, physical consequence, field validation, and incident evidence **MUST** be testable.

MINIMUM EVIDENCE safety function validation; stop, intervention, safe-state, and stored-energy tests

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6. Evidence and Assessment

Reproduce, compare, challenge, observe, recover, and trace

EXAMINE

Research papers, standards, designs, bills of material, protocols, source, models, data, calibration, configurations, contracts, and claims.

REPRODUCE

Repeat the experiment or assessment with captured versions, seeds, parameters, environment, uncertainty, and acceptance criteria.

COMPARE

Use an honest incumbent, classical, manual, or alternative baseline with equivalent outcome, data, scale, and resource accounting.

CHALLENGE

Apply adversarial input, environmental variation, dependency loss, fault injection, safety cases, security tests, and boundary conditions.

OBSERVE

Measure field or production-like quality, latency, energy, drift, physical behavior, interventions, failures, maintenance, and user impact.

TRACE

Link claim, authority, experiment, configuration, evidence, decision, pilot, change, incident, rollback, and reassessment.

Evidence grades

A

Independently reproduced, current, representative, uncertainty-bounded, integrity-protected, and operationally relevant.

B

Reproduced by the implementing organization with strong provenance, comparator, challenge, and declared limitations.

C

Partial, laboratory-only, simulation-heavy, inherited, or indirect evidence with material uncertainty and dependencies.

D

Roadmap, assertion, demonstration, benchmark excerpt, patent, token metric, press release, or vendor statement without...

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7. Assurance Views

Six perspectives required for a complete assurance claim

GOVERNANCE

Ownership, purpose, risk tolerance, policy, exception, and decision rights.

ARCHITECTURE

Boundaries, dependencies, failure modes, state, data flow, and portability.

SECURITY

Identity, authorization, isolation, secrets, abuse resistance, and incident response.

OPERATIONS

Reliability, performance, cost, observability, change, recovery, and support.

PRIVACY / RIGHTS

Purpose limitation, minimization, consent, access, correction, deletion, and egress.

HUMAN / SOCIETAL

Usability, accessibility, disclosure, contestability, impact, and human control.

Conformance requires a defensible position across every applicable view. A strong aggregate score cannot compensate for an unowned system, a failed mandatory gate, untested recovery, or evidence below the accepted grade.

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7.2 Evaluation Metrics and Decision Gates

Measures expose utility, uncertainty, safety, physical limits, transition cost, and lifecycle burden

UTILITY

Task outcome, comparator delta, coverage, quality, accuracy, mission success, and stakeholder value.

UNCERTAINTY

Confidence, calibration, variance, sample coverage, reproducibility, sensitivity, and unresolved assumptions.

PERFORMANCE

Latency, throughput, fidelity, range, precision, bandwidth, scale, density, and availability.

SAFETY / SECURITY

Hazard exposure, unsafe action, exploitability, spoofing, physical consequence, intervention, and containment.

RESOURCE

Energy, power, cooling, spectrum, shots, qubits, memory, materials, facility, operator, and maintenance demand.

MATURITY

Standards state, supply chain, interoperability, tooling, skills, support, qualification, and lifecycle readiness.

ECONOMICS

Acquisition, operation, provider, token, facility, migration, insurance, support, and opportunity cost.

TRANSITION

Pilot escape, rollback time, incumbent fallback, portability, lock-in, retirement, and evidence completeness.

Decision gate: thresholds **MUST** be declared before assessment, include an incumbent baseline and uncertainty statement, and identify any safety, security, cryptographic, physical, reproducibility, or rollback failure that blocks transition.

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8. Failure Modes and Adversarial Scenarios

Challenge assumptions before the system is trusted with consequential work

UNSAFE AUTONOMY

The robot acts outside its operational design domain or safety envelope.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

PERCEPTION COLLAPSE

Occlusion, weather, spoofing, drift, calibration, or domain shift produces hazardous state estimates.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

HUMAN INTERVENTION FAILURE

Operators cannot understand, stop, take over, or recover the system in time.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

CYBER-PHYSICAL COMMAND ABUSE

Compromised identity, network, software, model, or tool issues unsafe motion or process actions.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

FLEET-CORRELATED FAILURE

A map, model, update, scheduler, battery, cloud, or communications dependency affects many robots at once.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

LEARNING REGRESSION

A model or skill update degrades safety, task quality, fairness, explainability, or recovery behavior.

REQUIRED: PREVENT | DETECT | CONTAIN | RECOVER | EVIDENCE

Adversarial testing MUST protect people and production systems. Use isolated environments, synthetic or minimized data, bounded authority, kill switches, explicit legal and ethical review, and documented stop conditions.

9. Implementation Profiles

Risk-proportional implementation without weakening mandatory boundaries

FOUNDATIONAL	ADVANCED	HIGH ASSURANCE
TYPICAL SCOPE Low consequence, limited autonomy, non-sensitive data, reversible outputs.	TYPICAL SCOPE Business-critical workflow, sensitive data, multiple tools or providers, moderate autonomy.	TYPICAL SCOPE Safety, security, regulated, financial, identity, or broadly consequential use.
MINIMUM DEPTH Named owner; inventory; basic evaluation; access control; logging; rollback; annual review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Formal threat model; representative evaluation; approval gates; isolated execution; tested recovery; quarterly review.	MINIMUM DEPTH Independent challenge; strongest identity; deterministic enforcement; comprehensive evidence; canary release; continuous monitoring.

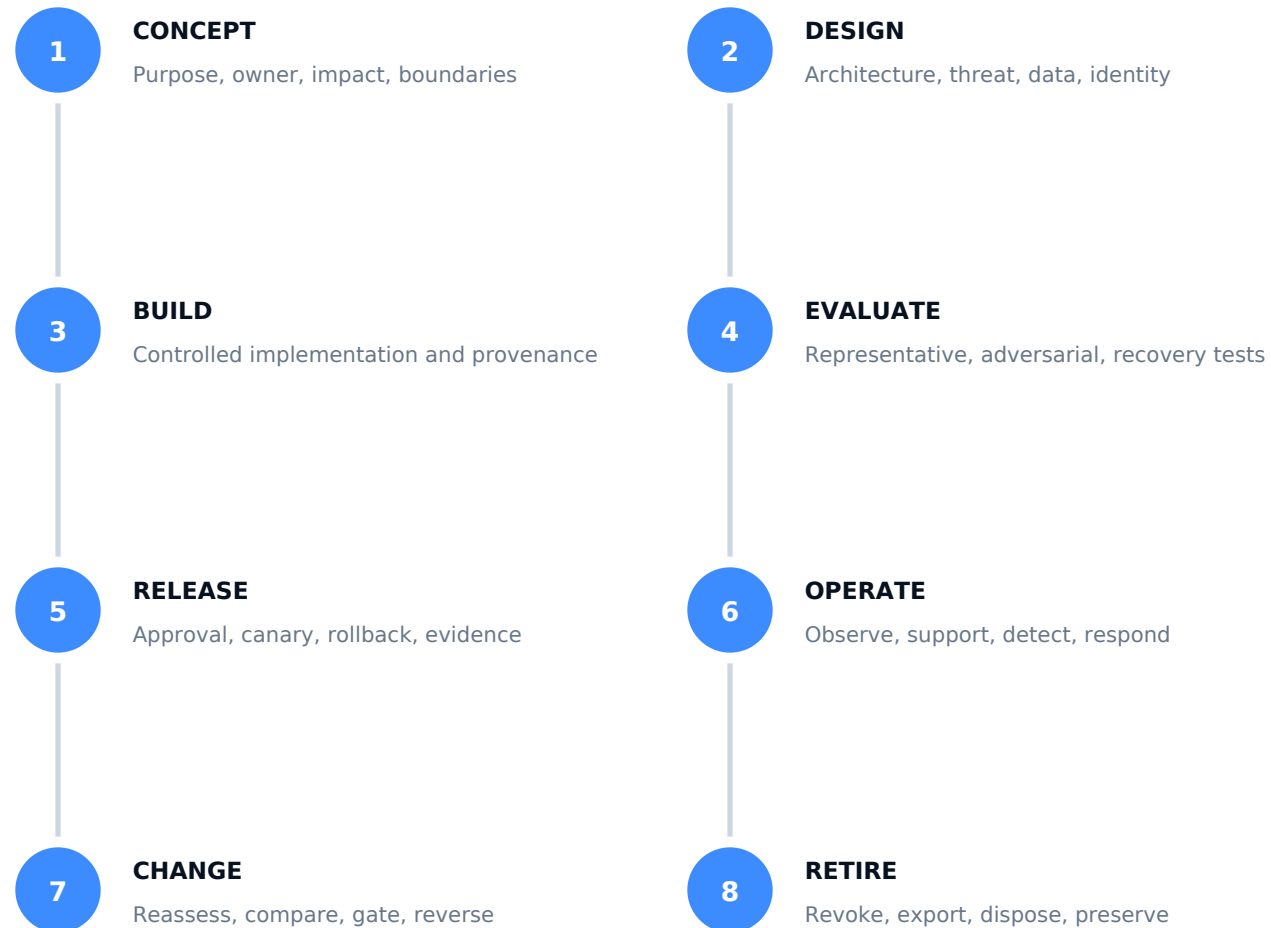
Profile selection rule

Choose the highest profile triggered by consequence, autonomy, sensitivity, scale, irreversibility, external dependency, or inability to rapidly detect and recover. Tailoring may strengthen controls; it may not erase a mandatory gate without a controlled exception.

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9.2 Operational Lifecycle

Evidence-bearing operation from concept through retirement



LIFECYCLE INVARIANT

Every stage **MUST** leave sufficient evidence for the next authority to understand what was intended, what changed, what was tested, what failed, what was accepted, what remains uncertain, and how to recover or exit.

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10. Adoption Roadmap

A sequenced path from uncontrolled capability to evidence-bearing operation

0-30 DAYS**Establish ownership and truth**

Inventory systems and dependencies; classify risk; freeze unsupported claims; identify immediate privilege, data, and evidence gaps.

31-90 DAYS**Create enforceable boundaries**

Define policy; isolate execution; implement identity and approval gates; establish representative evaluation and baseline telemetry.

3-6 MONTHS**Prove recovery and operating control**

Exercise failure, rollback, revocation, incident, provider exit, and state-recovery scenarios; mature evidence packaging.

6-12 MONTHS**Scale assurance**

Automate control checks; expand workload coverage; independent challenge; portfolio metrics; controlled exception expiry; continuous reassessment.

Adoption is complete only when operating evidence demonstrates the selected profile in the actual deployment context. Documentation alone is not conformance.

10.2 Conformance and Exception Statement

What an assurance claim must contain

SYSTEM / SERVICE Named, versioned capability and deployment boundary.	PROFILE Foundational, Advanced, or High Assurance with trigger rationale.
SCOPE Workloads, users, data, tools, regions, providers, and exclusions.	CRITERIA Pass, partial, fail, not applicable, and exception status for every criterion.
EVIDENCE Artifact references, evidence grade, date, environment, and reproducibility.	LIMITATIONS Known failure modes, unsupported workloads, uncertainty, and residual risk.
EXCEPTIONS Owner, rationale, compensating control, expiration, and approval.	VALIDITY Assessment date, change boundary, review date, and reassessment triggers.

Prohibited claim: “compliant” without the named scope, profile, evidence date, limitations, exceptions, and authority accepting residual risk.

11. Source Authority and Reference Register

Primary sources informing interpretation; verify current status at assessment time

NIST CSF 2.0

Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.CSWP.29>

Enterprise governance and cybersecurity outcome framework.

ISO 13482

Robots and Robotic Devices - Safety Requirements for Personal Care Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/53820.html>

Safety framework for service and personal-care robot classes.

NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-53r5>

Broad organizational control baseline for technology systems and services.

NIST AI RMF 1.0

Artificial Intelligence Risk Management Framework

<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.AI.100-1>

Risk management structure for trustworthy AI capabilities used in autonomous systems.

ISO 10218-1:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robots

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73933.html>

Current industrial robot design and inherent-safety requirements.

NIST Response Robot Test Methods

Standard Test Methods for Response Robots

<https://www.nist.gov/el/intelligent-systems-division-73500/standard-test-methods-response-robots>

Repeatable mobility, sensing, manipulation, endurance, and operator-proficiency tests.

ISO 10218-2:2025

Robotics - Safety Requirements - Industrial Robot Applications and Cells

<https://www.iso.org/standard/73934.html>

Current integration, commissioning, operation, maintenance, and disposal requirements.

Source currency rule: authorities, specifications, laws, provider services, hardware, protocols, standards status, and research evidence MUST be checked at assessment time. This publication records a 2026-07-24 source snapshot.

11.2 Revision History and Decision Register

Permanent identity, controlled change, and publication integrity

VERSION	DATE	STATE	SUMMARY
1.0.0-candidate	2026-07-24	Candidate	Permanent-publication edition; source refresh; expanded criteria, evidence, assurance, and lifecycle guidance.
Next review	2027-01-24	Scheduled	Review source currency, threat evolution, operating evidence, adoption feedback, and proposed revisions.

Publication decisions

- PERMANENT IDENTITY** The document ID remains stable across revisions; batch or production sequence metadata is not public identity.
- CHANGE CONTROL** Normative changes require rationale, impact analysis, affected-criterion mapping, and approval.
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