

PREPARING FOR PENETRATION TESTING, HOW TO BUILD A SCOPE OF WORK

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KEEP IT FORMAL

- ☐ BEGIN WITH PROJECT NAME AND DOCUMENT CONTROL
- ☐ USE A CHANGE LOG TO DETAIL VARIOUS VERSIONS INCLUDING WHO MADE THE CHANGES



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PROJECT OVERVIEW

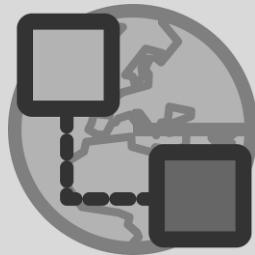
- ☐ DETAIL THE NAME OF THE PROJECT
- ☐ OUTLINE WHERE THE TESTING WILL BE TAKING PLACE AND BY WHOM
- ☐ CONFIRM START AND END DATES OF TESTING ACTIVITY



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ENVIRONMENTS TO BE TESTED

- ☐ CORE FUNCTIONS OF THE APPLICATIONS INVOLVED
- ☐ DETAIL OF PLATFORM ARCHITECTURE INCLUDING DIAGRAMS WHERE POSSIBLE
- ☐ RELEVANT SYSTEM INTEGRATION
- ☐ HOW USERS ACCESS THE APPLICATION



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TYPE(S) OF TESTING

- ☐ EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENT TESTING TYPES THAT YOU WOULD LIKE CONDUCTED
 - ☐ EXPOSURE/VULNERABILITY TESTING
 - ☐ SERVER BUILD REVIEW,
 - ☐ FIREWALL/SOURCE CODE REVIEW



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TARGET LIST

- ☐ ARGUABLY THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECT OF THE SCOPE, DETAILING ALL 'IN SCOPE' ASSETS.
- ☐ BE SURE TO INCLUDE HOST NAME, IP ADDRESS, TESTING TYPE, IN/OUT OF HOURS TESTING WHERE REQUIRED
- ☐ BE AS SPECIFIC AND DETAILED AS POSSIBLE!



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OUT OF SCOPE

- ☐ AN EXPLANATION OF WHICH ELEMENTS OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARE NOT TO BE TESTED WITHIN THIS PIECE OF WORK



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