HOW TO BECOME CYBER RESILIENT

WHAT IS SHELTERED HARBOR?

Sheltered Harbor is the financial industry's standards setting and certification body for cyber resilience. As an organization, it is responsible for the development, refinement and promotion of the industries purpose-built resilience standards, and provides implementation support for financial institutions of all types and sizes.

HOW IT WORKS: THE STANDARD HAS THREE PILLARS
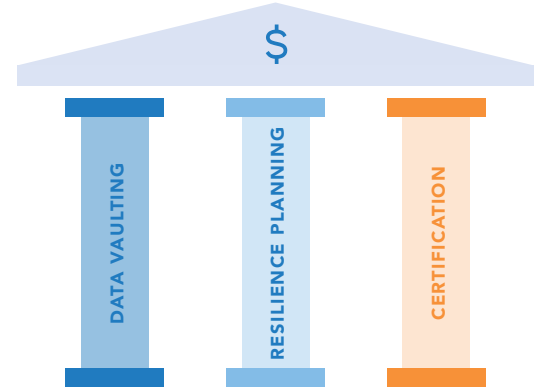
1 DATA VAULTING

Hundreds of financial Institutions are already backing up critical customer account data each night in a standard Sheltered Harbor format. A new spec allows all financial record keepers to now vault their critical customer data. The data vault is encrypted, unchangeable, and completely separated from the institution's infrastructure, including all backups. The vault is off-line, air-gapped, and isolated.

2 RESILIENCY PLANNING

Planning for resiliency is done simultaneously with vaulting data. Sheltered Habor has specific playbooks that must be developed and tested before achieving resiliency. This plan adds to a business' continuity and disaster recovery plan. All who handle critical customer data must create their own plan which instills confidence each company has all the processes, mechanisms, and people it needs to recover from a crisis. This is integral to safeguarding the public's confidence.

U.S. Financial industry developed and purpose-built resilience standards for the protection of isolated data, resilience and recovery. Best practices in cyber resilience as acknowledged by U.S. financial regulators.

3 CERTIFICATION

Certification is the end goal. Participants adopt a robust set of prescribed safeguards and controls which are independently audited for compliance every year.

A SHELTERED HARBOR IN A CYBER STORM!

Sheltered Harbor was created by the financial industry to protect the public's confidence in their sector by helping institutions ensure they can provide customer's access to their account balances and funds within 24 hours of an extreme cyber, data corruption or data deletion event. Time is critical, and this is all about quickly recovering services.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS MUST START NOW

The financial institutions who will succeed will be those who pro-actively plan to survive. Sheltered Harbor provides the road-map created by industry experts which includes a set of heavily tested, defined and implemented solutions, and certifications. Institutions who follow this plan can be confident they will never lose their data, and they will be able to continue to service their customers after a devastating attack.

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