Understanding the European Cyber Resilience Act (CRA) and Compliance with IEC 62443 Standards

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The attached Security Bulletin represents our aligned and official communication regarding the **European Cyber Resilience Act** (CRA).

For new Digital products, as outlined in the bulletin, we are targeting compliance of our development process with **IEC 62443 4 1** within this 2026. This is a prerequisite for achieving **IEC 62443 4 2** product certifications.

In parallel with our efforts to certify the main platforms against IEC 62443 4 2, legacy platforms can also be deployed in a **CRA compliant (and Marine-) configuration**. For product specific guidance, please refer to Woodward **Application Note 51654 – Legacy Products System Security Practices (Link here)**, as well as the corresponding **Product Security Manuals** for each individual product.

Because cybersecurity is defined at — and originates from — the system level, these same requirements also apply to our system integrators. This includes **Marine regulations, E26 and E27**, which can be considered equivalent to IEC 62443.

Please find Cyber Security Manuals here:
https://www.woodward.com/support/industrial-service-and-support/cybersecurity-support-portal/

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