



## IT-Grundschatz Compliance on Azure workbook Germany

Azure Germany published this workbook to help our clients achieve IT-Grundschatz certification.

### Microsoft and IT-Grundschatz Compliance workbook

To help our clients achieve their IT-Grundschatz certification, Microsoft Germany has published the IT-Grundschatz Compliance on Azure workbook for solutions and workloads deployed on Microsoft Azure Germany. Developed by HiSolutions AG, an independent consulting and auditing firm in Germany, the workbook is based on the most recent version of the [IT-Grundschatz Catalogues v.15](#) (2015), which includes modules covering internet and cloud usage, such as M 1.17 Cloud Usage.

This workbook can help Microsoft Cloud Germany customers implement the IT-Grundschatz methodology within the scope of their existing or planned ISO/IEC 27001 certification. It describes how to apply the IT-Grundschatz methodology to applications in the cloud and outlines how to implement all audit-relevant safeguards from the IT-Grundschatz module, M 1.17 Cloud Usage.

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### IT-Grundschatz Compliance workbook overview

To help organizations identify and implement measures to help secure IT systems, the German Federal Office for Information Security ([Bundesamt für Sicherheit in der Informationstechnik](#), or BSI) created a baseline set of standards for protecting information technology. (In German, the name of the standard is [IT-Grundschatz](#).) These BSI standards consist of:

- An information security management system (ISMS) based on ISO/IEC 27001 standards (BSI-Standard 100-1)
- The IT-Grundschatz methodology, which describes how to set up and operate an ISMS (BSI Standard 100-2)
- A risk analysis method (BSI Standard 100-3)
- The IT-Grundschatz Catalogues, a standard set of potential threats and safeguards against them for typical business environments

### Frequently asked questions

#### Can I use the Microsoft IT-Grundschatz Compliance workbook to help my organization comply with IT-Grundschatz?

Yes. The purpose of the workbook is to help customers in Germany use Microsoft Cloud Germany services to implement the IT-Grundschatz methodology within the scope of their existing or planned ISO/IEC 27001 certification based on IT-Grundschatz.

#### What's the difference between IT-Grundschatz Catalogues and C5?

The Cloud Computing Compliance Controls Catalog (C5) is an audited standard from BSI that establishes a mandatory minimum baseline for cloud security and the adoption of public cloud solutions by German government agencies and organizations that work with government. The IT-Grundschatz Catalogues supply the specific methodology to help organizations identify and implement security measures for IT systems and are among the elements upon which the C5 standards are built.

### **What is Microsoft Cloud Germany?**

Microsoft Cloud Germany is physically based in Germany and adheres to the requirement of German privacy law, which strictly limits the transfer of personal data to other countries, including protection against access by authorities from other jurisdictions who could violate domestic laws. It offers Azure Germany, our public cloud computing platform, and all its services.

### **Additional resources**

- [BSI Standards](#)
- [IT-Grundschutz certification process](#)
- [Microsoft and ISO/IEC 27001:2013](#)