

Incident Response Plan

This document outlines PHOCIS Tech's incident response procedures for detecting, containing, eradicating, and recovering from security incidents. Our IRP is modeled on NIST SP 800-61r2 and aligned with GLBA Safeguards Rule breach notification requirements.

Incident Classification

Severity	Description	Initial Response SLA
P1 — Critical	Active breach, data exfiltration, ransomware, system compromise	15 minutes
P2 — High	Unauthorized access, credential compromise, significant data exposure	1 hour
P3 — Medium	Malware detection, policy violation, failed intrusion attempt	4 hours
P4 — Low	Phishing attempt (caught), minor policy issue, anomaly investigation	24 hours

Response Phases

- Preparation — Maintain runbooks, contact lists, and tabletop exercise cadence (quarterly)
- Identification — SIEM alerts, threat intel feeds, and employee reports trigger incident creation in ticketing system
- Containment — Short-term isolation of affected systems; preserve evidence; engage IR retainer if P1/P2
- Eradication — Remove root cause; patch or re-image affected systems; revoke compromised credentials
- Recovery — Restore systems from clean backups; validate integrity; monitor for recurrence
- Post-Incident Review — Root cause analysis within 5 days; lessons learned documented and actioned

Breach Notification Obligations

- GLBA Safeguards Rule: Notify FTC within 30 days of discovering a breach affecting 500+ customers
- State notification laws: Most states require notification within 30–72 hours of confirmed breach
- FCRA: Notify consumer reporting agencies of unauthorized access to consumer reports
- Investor notification: Material security incidents disclosed to investors within 30 days per disclosure obligations
- PHOCIS maintains cyber liability insurance with a minimum \$2M per-occurrence limit

IR Team & Contacts

Role	Responsibility
IR Lead (CTO)	Overall coordination; declares severity; owns timeline

Security Engineer	Technical containment, forensics, and eradication
General Counsel	Legal obligations, breach notifications, regulatory liaison
CEO / Exec Sponsor	Investor communications, major escalations
External IR Retainer	P1/P2 forensic support and incident management

Testing & Continuous Improvement

- Tabletop exercises conducted quarterly with cross-functional leadership team
- Annual full-scale simulated breach exercise with external IR firm
- IRP reviewed and updated after every P1/P2 incident and at minimum annually